



# CLIFFSIDE PARK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act is our country's most important federal education law. In 2001 this law was reauthorized and is now called the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB). NCLB was designed to make changes in teaching and learning that will help increase academic achievement in our schools.

As part of the NCLB Program, Cliffside Park Schools 3, 4, 5, and 6 participate in the Title I, Part A program as a Title I Targeted Assistance School. This means that Title I funds must be used to improve the academic achievement of identified Title I students based on academic need. The term "targeted assistance" signifies that services are provided to a select group of students.

In accordance with NCLB Title I A funding, supplemental services for Mathematics and Language Arts are available in Cliffside Park Schools 3, 4, 5, and 6. These Targeted Assistance activities are supplemental educational programs for low-achieving students who are deemed eligible based on various types of data. Your child has been identified as eligible for Title I A services based on our district's entrance criteria.

## **Entrance Criteria**

Students are selected as eligible for Title I A services based on:

- Scoring below Proficient in Math or Language Arts on NJSLA
- Below average BAS (Benchmark Assessment System) Results
- School Report Cards indicating grades of D or below
- Teacher Recommendations for one on one or small group assistance

With your approval, eligible students will receive supplemental services through a combination of three instructional delivery models, including:

- Pull-Out Program
- In-Class Support
- Extended Day/Year Program

## **Exit Criteria**

Once a student has scored proficient on a New Jersey standard assessment in both Math and Language Arts, or the student has since excelled in mathematics or language arts literacy classes, they can choose not to participate in our programs. However, if the students wish to continue because of the success they have achieved, we will not deny them services.

As a parent, you have the option of allowing your child to benefit from Title IA Targeted Assistance Programs or opting out.

To learn additional information, schools will be hosting annual Title I information meetings. Notification regarding these meetings will be sent at a later date.

We hope you will attend to:

- Learn more about Title IA goals and objectives
- Discuss Core standards, curriculum, and assessments
- Review Cliffside Park School District's Title I policy
- Provide you with an opportunity to provide input and express your concerns regarding policies, programs, and activities

Please join us! If you have any questions, do not hesitate to reach out.

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