### What is Title I?

Title I is the largest federal aid program for elementary, middle, and high schools. Funds are provided through Title I to districts around the country based on the number of low-income families in each district. School districts use its Title I money for extra educational services to assist children most in need of educational help. The focus of the Title I program is on helping all students meet the same high standards expected of all children.

# Parent Involvement/ Shared Responsibilities:

Parent involvement is an important component of Title 1. Research has consistently shown that parents can influence their child's education and success in school. We encourage you to be actively involved in your child's education.

New Hanover County Schools has a Parent Involvement Policy that was developed in collaboration with district employees and parents to meet the combined needs of parents, students, and schools.

Freeman has developed a **School-Parent Compact** explaining our programs and responsibilities to students and parents. In addition, it outlines how the school and parents can work together to continuously improve student's achievement.

We will host a Title I Family Engagement event each quarter. Some great events that we have had in the past were our Bringing Literacy Home and Lunch on the Lawn event.

#### How May Title I Funds be used?

The Title I program offers a variety of services which may include:

- Additional teachers and support staff
- Extra time for instruction
- A variety of teaching methods and materials
- Smaller class sizes
- Additional training for staff

Schools qualify for funds based on economic need. **Freeman** follows the school-wide Title I program design which includes:

- Identify areas of greatest need for high student achievement
- Strengthening the core academic program
- Increasing the amount and quality of learning time.
- Addressing the needs of all students
- Instruction by "highly qualified" teachers

# Parents Have the Right...

- To know the professional qualifications of his/her child's teachers.
- To know the school improvement status.
- To know the level of achievement of their child in each area of the state assessment.
- To be involved in the planning and implementation of the parent involvement program at their school.

# Our Vision for Family Engagement:

To engage parents as full partners in their children's academic achievement and provide a safe and well-rounded education.

We invite you to join our School Improvement Team. If you are interested, please contact your child's teacher.

#### Title I Family Engagement Policy 2021-2022

# Our Focus



# for Student Success



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## Our Goals for Student Achievement

#### Freeman's Plan for Improvement

The School Improvement Team (SIT) has developed a comprehensive plan identifying specific indicators of effective practice in which our school will focus on during the 2021-2022 school year.

- The SIT Team regularly looks at school performance data and classroom observation data to make decisions about school improvement and professional development.
- Instructional Teams develop standardsaligned units of instruction for each subject and grade level.
- All teachers maintain a record of each student's mastery of specific learning objectives.
- All teachers interact socially with students.
- All teachers systematically report to parents the student's mastery of specific standards-based objectives.
- All teachers reinforce classroom rules and procedures by positively teaching them.

For further information regarding our current School Improvement Plan go to <a href="https://www.nhcs.net/freeman">www.nhcs.net/freeman</a>

# **Teachers, Parents, Students – Together for Success**

#### In the Classroom

Teachers will use a variety of strategies and techniques to meet the needs of all students by:

- Having high expectations.
- Being knowledgeable about the subjects we teach.
- Sharing ideas, teaching skills, and strategies.

# Teachers will show they are accountable and committed to their profession by:

- Attending professional development.
- Being good role models.
- Being consistent, accurate, and timely with progress reports, test grades, and other records.
- Creating a positive learning environment.

#### At Home

#### Parents will...

- Contact their child's teachers with questions or concerns about academic success.
- Participate in school functions, activities and take an active interest in all aspects of school life.
- Monitor the completion of homework and sign agenda's each day.
- Ensure healthy habits such as adequate sleep and healthy food choices for school.
- Prepare your child to be on time and attend school daily

#### Freeman Students will

- Attend school daily.
- Put forth their best effort academically.
- Be actively engaged in learning.
- Use age appropriate technology to become 21st Century learners.
- Get along with others, make ethical decisions, and get involved in school life.
- Accept consequences for actions in a responsible manner.
- Be prepared for learning (have homework, agenda, and materials for class daily).

