Columbia Public Schools
Title I
Parent-Teacher Compact

PARENT AND CHILD
EXPECTATIONS OF THE TITLE I TEACHER

1. Inform parent of child’s progress.
2. Communicate with the child’s classroom teacher.
3. Provide opportunities for parent visits to child’s Title I class or Reading Recovery lesson.
4. Provide books for reading at home.
5. Provide other take-home materials to support the child’s learning.

TEACHER AND CHILD
EXPECTATIONS OF PARENTS

1. Be sure child attends school everyday unless he/she is ill.
2. Keep teacher informed of child’s progress at home.
3. Visit the child’s Title I class or Reading Recovery lesson.
4. Listen to child read take-home books. Praise efforts.
5. Help child with other take-home materials. Praise efforts.
6. Use available community resources to strengthen and promote school programs, family practices and the achievement of students.

I have read the expectations outlined above and agree to fully support my child in Title I classes.

Signed_________________________ Parent ______________________ Date__________

Signed_________________________ Child’s Name ______________________ Date__________

For more information regarding Title I services, please call 214-3915.

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Columbia Public Schools
Title I Program

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What is Title I?
It is the largest federal aid program for our nation’s schools.

What services are available through Title I?
Title I services at identified elementary schools include two programs:

- **Literacy Support** - Provides extra reading and writing instruction in small groups for grades K-5.
- **Reading Recovery** - Provides an individualized tutoring program for first grade students.

How are Title I schools selected?
Schools are selected based on the percentage of children in the school who receive free or reduced-priced lunches.

The schools listed below receive Title I funding:
- Alpha Hart Lewis
- Benton
- Blue Ridge
- Cedar Ridge
- Derby Ridge
- Parkade
- West Boulevard
- Douglass High School

Where can I get more information about Title I programs?
Call the District Title I office at 214-3915.

How can parents help their child succeed in school?

- **Show interest in your child’s school day.**
  - Ask specific questions. For example, ask what the class is studying or what your child did at recess.

- **Get to know your child’s school.**
  - Participate in school events.
  - Join parent organizations.
  - Visit the classroom.
  - Participate in parent-teacher conferences.

Share a love of learning.
- Set a good example.
  - Let your child see and help you read newspapers, magazines or books; write letters, grocery lists, or a diary; use math to prepare budgets, compare prices, etc.

- Read to your child.
  - Talk about the story as you read. For example, ask your child what might happen next.
  - Visit your public library together. Help your child pick out books to read just for fun.

- Ask your child to read to you.

- Limit TV time.
  - Have your child choose programs by reading the program guide—not by switching channels.
  - Watch TV with your child and discuss programs afterward.

- Ask to see schoolwork, art projects, etc.
  - Don’t criticize the work or compare it to another child’s — just show your interest. Talk about school in a positive way.

- Praise effort and improvement -- no matter how small it may seem to you.