

### Purpose of Title I

Title I is a federal program that provides opportunities for the children served to acquire the knowledge and skills necessary to meet challenging state content standards.

Title I resources are distributed to schools where needs are the greatest, in amounts sufficient to make a difference in the improvement of instruction.

Title I coordinates services with other educational services and, to the degree possible, with health and social services programs.

Title I provides greater decision-making authority and flexibility within the schools and for teachers. However, greater responsibility for student performance is the exchange made for this flexibility.

### Components of a Schoolwide Program

A comprehensive needs assessment of the entire school is conducted.

Schoolwide reform strategies provide opportunities for all children to meet the State's performance standards.

Instruction is conducted by a highly qualified staff.

Professional development is conducted on a continual basis throughout the year.

Activities are conducted to increase parent and family engagement.

Plans are included to provide transitional assistance from pre-school to elementary, from elementary to middle school, and from middle school to high school.

Measures are taken to include teachers in decisions about assessment.

Activities are conducted to ensure that students with learning difficulties receive assistance.

### Parent's Right to Know

As a parent of a student enrolled at Kennedy Middle School, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the