## Title 1 Annual Meeting



## **Bridgewater Academy**

Presented by: Dr. Sherry Pinto, Principal

Friday, August 15, 2025 Time: 4:30 PM







### AGENDA

#### WE WILL BE REVIEWING AND DISCUSSING BRIDGEWATER ACADEMY'S TITLE I PROGRAM:

- What is a Title | School?
- How does our school spend Title I Money?
- How does our school participate in the Title I Program?
- What are our school's Title I Requirements?
- What is our school's designation status?
- What is our schoolwide Program?
- What curriculum does our school use?
- What tests will my child be taking?
- What is required by law for parent involvement?
- What is a parent's right to know?
- How is Title I Parent Involvement money spent?
- What opportunities does the school provide for parent involvement?
- How responsive will the school be to my questions or concerns?

## WHAT IS A TITLE I SCHOOL?

Title I (as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act) is the largest federal assistance program for our nation's schools. The goal of Title I is to provide a high-quality education for every child. This program provides extra support to students who need it most.

- The federal government provides funding to states.
- States send money to school districts based on the numbers of low-income families.
- Title I serves children through schoolwide programs and targeted assistance programs.
   Programs generally offer smaller classes, additional teachers and assistants, additional training for school staff, extra time for instruction, a variety of teaching methods and materials, counseling and mentoring, and/or career and college awareness.

## WHAT IS A TITLE I SCHOOL?

Schools in which children from low-income families make up at least 40 percent of enrollment are eligible to use Title I funds for school-wide programs that serve all children in the school. Our sponsor, Horry County School District, requires at least a minimum of 70% (or above) free/reduced lunch to qualify for school-wide Title I funds.

## TITLE I FUNDS

- Title I Teacher to provide additional academic instruction in small groups for ELA and Math
- Technology
- Classroom supplies or teaching resources
- Parent involvement and family engagement activities
  - Schoolwide Parenting Annual Meeting
  - Family Technology Night
  - Bingo for Books
  - Family Fit Night
  - Test-Prep
  - Planning meetings 3x year

## SCHOOL PARTICIPATION IN TITLE I PROGRAM

The Title I teacher serves children in the classroom or pulling students in small groups providing extra support in the areas of ELA and Math.

The school continually monitors the implementation of the Title I plan and welcomes input from parents, school staff and community members regarding its current and future Title I plans.

# TITLE I REQUIREMENTS AT BRIDGEWATER ACADEMY

Host parent and family engagement activities

Encourage parent involvement in the school and Title I plans

Provide small group instruction to students

Provide and reinforce teaching strategies for ELA and Math

# OUR SCHOOL'S DESIGNATION STATUS

Bridgewater Academy is a Title I school-wide

## BRIDGEWATER ACADEMY'S SCHOOLWIDE PROGRAM

• Title I Teacher works with students in need of additional support in Reading and Math.

• Title I Teacher pre-teaches and re-teaches vocabulary for Reading, English Language Arts, and Math.

• Title I Teacher teaches and reinforces strategies for Reading, English Language Arts, and Math.

## CURRICULUM

- Primary & Elementary (Grades K-5)
  - iReady Math
  - McGraw Hill Open Court
  - Amplify Interactive Science
  - Studies Weekly SS
- Middle School (Grades 6-8)
  - Amplify Interactive Science
  - StudySync (ELA/SS)
  - iReady



## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- iReady
- Reading A-Z
- Fountas & Pinnell & Voyager
- NumberWorlds
- Math Nation
- SC Ready Coach Books
- Google Classroom

## TESTING INFORMATION

### iReady (replaced MAP)

- Formative Assessments provide detailed, actionable data about where each child is on their unique learning path.
- 3x/year: dynamically adapts to a student's responses as they take the test.
- What areas does it test?
  - Reading & Math (K-8)

## TESTING INFORMATION CONTINUED

#### **SCPASS/SCREADY**

#### (Palmetto Assessment of State Standards)

- South Carolina standardized tests measure the progress of students from 3rd grade to 8th grade.
- South Carolina PASS/SCREADY test results provide actionable data that will help parents, teachers, and students improve academic performance in the areas of English Language Arts, Math, Writing, Science, and Social Studies.
- SC PASS/SCREADY testing is also used in evaluating each school's Adequate Yearly Progress.
- Exemplary: student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
   Met: Student met the grade level standard.
   Not Met: Student did not meet the grade level standard.

#### KRA

#### (Kindergarten Readiness Assessment)

A developmentally appropriate instrument that
measures a child's school readiness across multiple
domains. It determines each child's readiness level
from an evaluation of four domains: Social
Foundations, Language/Literacy, Mathematics, and
Physical Well-Being. The KRA provides a snapshot of
student's abilities at the beginning of the school
year. It includes selected-response items (multiple
choice), performance tasks, and observation items.
The test consists of 50 item; each item is scored
using a rubric.

## WHAT IS REQUIRED BY LAW FOR PARENT INVOLVEMENT?

- Parent and Family Engagement Plan
- School-Parent Compact
- Planning Committee participation
  - Involve parents in the joint development of the plan, and the process of school review and improvement
  - Planning and implementing effective parent involvement activities to improve student academic achievement and school performance
  - An annual evaluation of the content and effectiveness of the Parent and Family Engagement
     Policy in improving the academic quality of the schools served under this part

## WHAT IS A PARENT'S RIGHT TO KNOW?

As a parent, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teachers and instructional assistants who instruct your child. Federal law allows you to ask for the following information about your child's classroom teachers and requires the school to provide this information in a timely manner.

- Information may be obtained through the SC State Department of Education website at <a href="https://ed.sc.gov">https://ed.sc.gov</a>
  - Once on the home page, type "Educator Qualifications Search" in the search bar (upper right corner).
  - Click on Parent's Right to Know

## TITLE I PARENT INVOLVEMENT

A percentage of Title I funds are allocated for parent involvement and parent engagement activities:

- Food, snacks, and refreshments
- Materials and/or resources for families

#### PARENT INVOLVEMENT AT BRIDGEWATER ACADEMY

- You can influence the success of your student by serving as a role model, showing your student that you support his/her education
- Be involved in your students educational progress and demonstrate how important that progress is to you
  - Attend Open House
  - Attend Title I Parent Meetings
  - Attend Parent-Teacher Conferences
  - O Volunteer/Assist in an area of the school (child's classroom, playground, cafeteria, field trips, etc)
  - Participate in school wide events (Awards Day Ceremonies, Traditions Around the World, Field Day, Read Across America Week, Book Fairs, etc.)
  - Attend School Board Meetings

## PARENT INVOLVEMENT AT BRIDGEWATER ACADEMY + COMPACT

#### BRIDGEWATER ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

Student/ Parent Handbook

2025-2026



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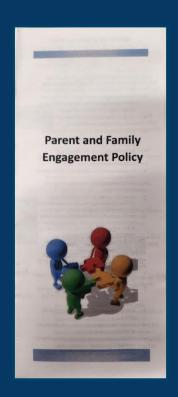
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Targeted
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## RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS...

Please address questions with Dr. Pinto, Mrs. Caronda Butler, or Mrs. Carin Grissett.

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## THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING OUR ANNUAL TITLE I MEETING





We are looking forward to a great 2025-2026 school year. Please be sure to complete the Bridgewater Academy Parent Meeting evaluation. This will be displayed on our school's social media sites or can be picked up from the Main Office.