

**Tappahannock Elementary & Essex Intermediate School
Schoolwide Title I Program**



September 2014

Dear Parent:

Are there support services available during the school day for my child if he or she is struggling academically?

Yes! Tappahannock Elementary and Essex Intermediate strive to support each student's academic success. The Title I program is designed to meet the needs of students who are experiencing difficulty with reading (K-8) and/or math (3-8). Highly qualified teachers and paraprofessionals provide services at each grade level.

What are the Title I reading and math programs?

The Title I reading and math programs incorporate research-based materials and strategies. Each student's classroom grades, attendance, Title I work and benchmark scores will be reviewed each quarter and services will either be continued or the student may successfully exit the program.

Tappahannock Elementary School:

Students in grades K-4 receive reading support in small groups, or individually, through an in-class model or a 20-30 minute pull-out sessions outside of the reading block. Students in grades 3 and 4 may receive small group in-class or pull-out instruction for math.

Essex Intermediate School:

Students in grades 5-8 receive support in reading and/or math through a scheduled intervention course every other day in place of an elective.

How is my child selected for support services?

All students in each grade level are ranked annually and each nine weeks with a variety of criteria. Teacher recommendations, SOL scores, grades, and benchmark scores are included in the matrix. Struggling students are identified by the team for support in reading and/or math. You will be notified if your child is provided service or successfully exits the program.

What do I need to do now?

Please sign and return the attached Parent Compact to the school by your child. This will serve as permission for our school to provide services for your child at any time during the 2014-15 school term. We look forward to a successful academic year with your support!

If I have more questions, who can I speak with?

If you have any questions, please feel free to call
Mrs. Angela Gross at 443-5301 (Tappahannock Elementary School);
Mr. Patrick DiSpirito at 443-3040 (Essex Intermediate School) or
Dr. Lori Watrous at the School Board Office at 443-4366.