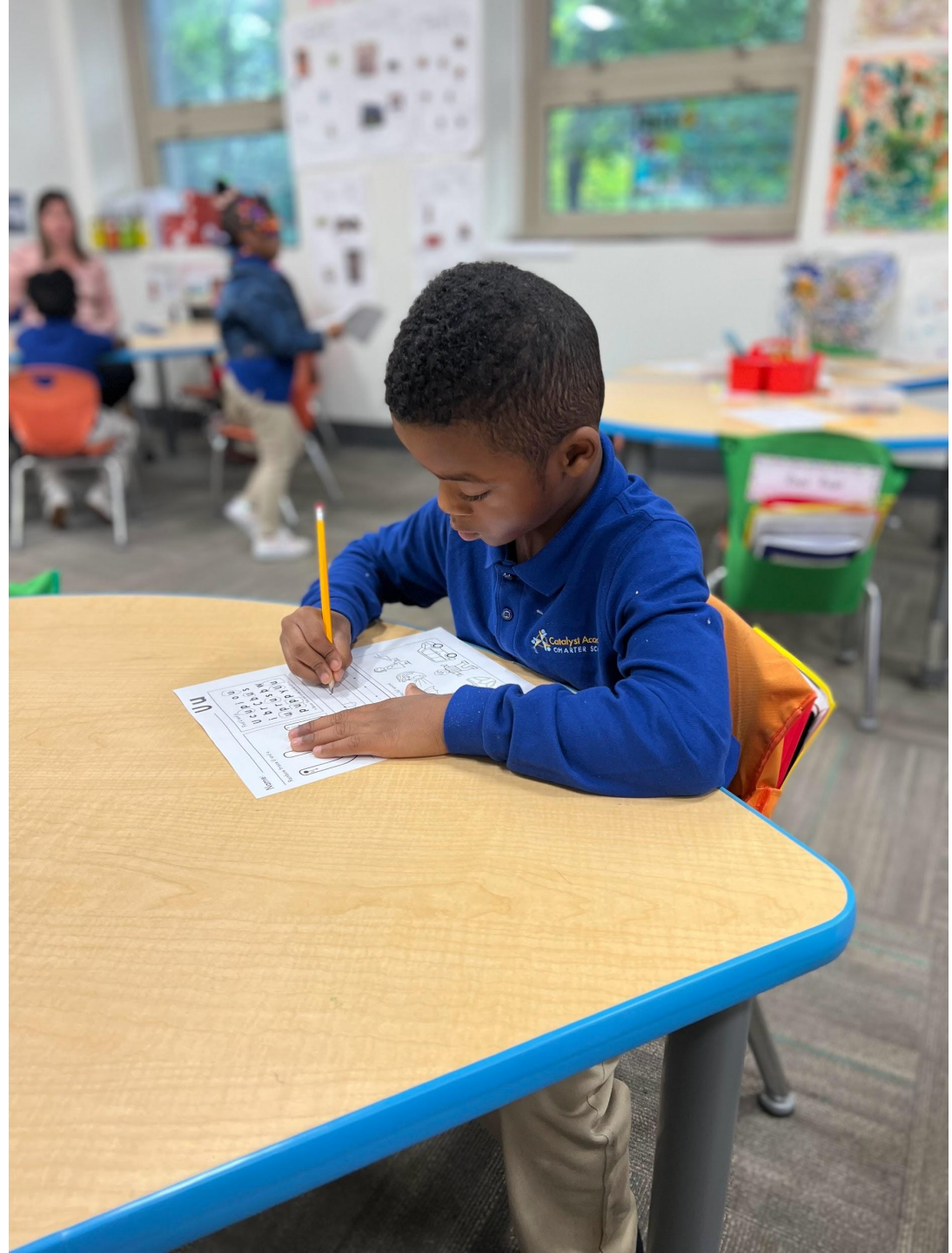


Annual Title I Parent Meeting

Overview of the Title I
Program

September 27, 2023,
6:00 PM



What is Title I?

- Title I, Part A (Title I) of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) provides financial assistance to local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools with high numbers or high percentages of children from low-income families to help ensure that all children meet challenging state academic standards.
- Catalyst Academy Charter School receives Title I Funding.
 - In the 2023-2024, Catalyst Academy estimates receiving ~\$129k through Title I**
 - Our Title I plan includes using this support for our deans of instruction that provide professional development and coaching to our teachers
- Federal guidelines require Title I schools to hold an Annual Parent Meeting to explain and discuss the Title I Schoolwide program and requirements.

Title I Requirements: Parents' Right-to-Know

- Parents have a right to request information about the professional qualifications of their children's teachers, including:
 - 1) the certification and/or licensing status of the teacher;
 - 2) degrees held by the teacher;
 - 3) emergency or provisional status of the teacher, if applicable; and
 - 4) qualifications of any paraprofessionals serving the child.

Parents must also be notified if a teacher who is not “highly qualified” is instructing their child for four (4) or more weeks.

- Parents should receive information regarding the level of achievement of their child on State required academic assessments.
- To the extent that it is feasible, information must be in a language that parents can understand.

Title I Parent & Family Engagement Requirements

- Title I schools must develop with, and distribute to, parents and family members, a written Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP).
- Title I schools are required to collaborate with parents and families in the development of the School Improvement Process (SIP) and School-Parent Compact
- Our Title I School-level Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) describes how the school will:
 - Convene an annual meeting to inform parents and family members of their rights to be involved in the Title I program
 - Offer meetings at flexible times to maximize participation
 - Provide parents and family members with timely information about Title I programs
 - Involve parents, in an organized, ongoing, and timely manner, in the planning, reviewing, and improvement of programs
 - Assist parents and families in understanding academic content standards, assessments, and how to monitor and improve the achievement of their children; and
 - Provide materials and training to assist parents and families of students enrolled in schools implementing the Title I Schoolwide Program to improve their child's achievement.

School-Parent Compact

- Each Title I school must have a School-Parent Compact that is developed jointly by parents and school personnel.
- The compact sets out the responsibilities of the students, parents, and school staff in striving to raise student achievement.
- At the elementary grades (K- 5 only), the compact should be discussed during parent-teacher conferences

School-level Family Engagement Survey

- At the mid-point and end of the year, we will send out a Parent and Family Engagement Survey in order to assist with the implementation of our Title I Schoolwide Program that meets the needs of your family.
- The results of this survey will be utilized to help in the development of the Title I School-level Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP), and future parent and family engagement activities, events, and workshops.

Achievement Data is Used in School Planning

- The data from the 2022-2023 school year will be used to develop the goals and strategies in our School Improvement Process.
- Our School Improvement Process (SIP) will include the most current data and is reviewed throughout the school year.
- Our school uses data to align the curriculum to State and District academic standards.
- Our Instructional practices are adjusted based on the findings of the assessment data gathered during the school year.



Feedback or Suggestions?

If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions for improvements to our school, our Title I program, the School-Parent Compact, or the Title I Parent and Family Engagement Plan, please feel free to reach out:

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