

## What is Title I?

Title I is a federally funded program under the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) of 2001. The law, which was signed into effect on January 8, 2002, amends the Elementary and Secondary Act of 1965 (ESEA), and replaces the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994. The act contains four basic principles: stronger accountability for results, increased flexibility and local control, more choices for parents and students, and an emphasis on research-based instructional strategies.

The purpose of the Title I program is to help low-achieving students meet our state's challenging academic content and performance standards. Schools qualify for Title I funds based on economic need. The Title I program offers a variety of services for participating schools, which may include: additional teachers and support staff, extra time for instruction, a variety of teaching methods and materials, smaller classes and additional training for staff. New Bridge Middle School is a school-wide Title I school which means that Title I funds may be utilized for overall school improvement efforts.