



# Title I College & Career Ready Students NEWSLETTER



## What is Title I?

Under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB), the Federal government allocates Title I funds to school districts around the country to provide supplemental resources to assist eligible schools to meet and exceed educational school goals. Schools use their Title I funds in a variety of ways, aimed at improving the performance and closing any achievement gaps which may exist. Indian Prairie’s Title I funds are used at the preschool and elementary levels to provide additional instructional support and extended learning opportunities for students, teacher training, and parental involvement opportunities.



**DID YOU KNOW?**



*There are social emotional learning standards that are required to be taught to all students?*

## Focus on Social and Emotional Learning Standards

<b>Self-Awareness</b>
<b>Self-Management</b>
<b>Social Skills</b>
<b>Relationship Skills</b>
<b>Responsible Decision-Making</b>

The elementary years are the prime time to nurture social and emotional awareness and skills for learning. At Georgetown, we are using the research-based *Second Step* program at all grade levels because it includes everything needed to make it easy for teachers to integrate social-emotional learning into their classrooms, which decreases problem behaviors and increases whole-school success by promoting self-regulation, safety, and support.

Social-emotional skills—like math skills—build on each other. The *Second Step*, classroom-based program is designed to teach children how to understand and manage their emotions, control their reactions, be aware of others’ feelings, and have the skills to problem-solve and make responsible decisions. Each grade-level kit includes easy-to-teach, short weekly lessons, engaging songs, games, daily activities, and take-home materials to reinforce learning.

Because we recognize the power and importance of positive child-adult relationships, all 4th and 5th grade students are part of a “Connections” groups which meets twice weekly. These are small groups of either boys or girls that learn and grow together around the themes presented in the *Second Step* program.



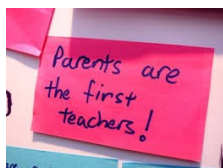
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# Title 1 Funds in Action....



- Purchased 310 Chromebooks (a type of laptop computer)
- Several teachers attended technology workshops to support the use of our new Chromebooks and iPads
- Hired four Instructional Assistants to support students in reading, math, and enrichment
- LMC books to update our collection across all reading levels with an emphasis on non-fiction texts and ebooks
- Extended Day Club for targeted students
- Current Event Magazines for all 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students
- Professional Development and Resources to support Engaged Learning in classrooms
- Training for teachers in Advantage Math Recovery
- Parent Resource Library (Parents are welcome to check out materials.)



## Title 1 Featured Events....

### New for 2015 Summer

Up to 40 incoming kindergarten students and current kindergarten students will be invited to a Booster Camp. Students will have the opportunity to participate in fun, engaging activities revolving around weekly themes. They will receive a BOOST in academic, language and social skills.

- Active Parenting Family Program Sponsored by Project Help
- Club Invention—S.T.E.M. projects
- Summer Camp Invention—S.T.E.M. initiative
- DuPage Children's Museum Math Enrichment Nights
- Monthly Latino Parent Meetings
- Summer Library Program



Get more information at: [Georgetown.ipisd.org](http://Georgetown.ipisd.org)



## The Road to College Starts Today!

Elementary school sets the foundation for student learning socially, emotionally and academically. We believe that all Georgetown students can do and be whatever they want in the FUTURE.

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