#### 4.0611 Title One

## **Existing Policy**

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- 8. All schools will be encouraged (Title I schools are required) to involve parents in the development of a Parent Compact (or

Patent/Administrator/Student/Teacher Agreement) which outlines the responsibilities of each entity in the educational process of the school. Students benefit when all parties with whom they are involved work collaboratively for their success. In accordance with this policy, Parent Compacts shall be reviewed, updated, and approved annually by the School Community Council, and such review will be noted in minutes of the meeting.

- 9. Title I schools, under federal law, have additional specific responsibilities, which relate to parent communication and involvement. These include the following:
- a. Incorporation of all school level parent involvement policy requirements as outlined in Sec. 1118 of the No Child Left Behind Act:
- b. Providing assistance to parents to help them understand such topics as the state's academic content and academic achievement standards:
- c. Communicating information to parents about the school and their school's progress in a timely fashion and a manner that parents can understand.
- d. Coordinating parent involvement activities with other programs in which their student may be involved, such as Head Start and Reading First.

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# 4.0611.03 TITLE ONE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT

Issue Date: 11/07/24

DCSD complies with the maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement for Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The MOE requirement is intended to prevent the supplanting of state and local funds with federal funds.

The MOE requirement for Title I, Part A is that DCSD must spend at least 90 percent of the state and local funds per pupil or in the aggregate that it spent in the preceding fiscal year. If DCSD fails to meet this requirement, the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) will reduce the amount of Title I, Part A funds allocated to the LEA in the succeeding fiscal year by the percentage by which the LEA failed to maintain its effort.

#### **Procedures**

- DCSD will use the same source of state and local expenditure data that it reports to the USBE to calculate its MOE for Title I, Part A.
- DCSD will use the same student membership data that it reports to the USBE to calculate its per pupil expenditures for state and local funds.
- expenditures per pupil and in the aggregate for the current fiscal year with those for the preceding fiscal year to determine if it meets the 90 percent MOE requirement for Title I, Part A.

DCSD will provide documentation of its MOE calculation to the USBE when scheduled for a Title I monitoring visit. DCSD will maintain records of its state and local expenditures and student membership data for each fiscal year and make them available to the USBE upon request. If DCSD fails to meet the 90 percent MOE requirement for Title I, Part A, the LEA will work with the USBE to identify the reasons for the failure and develop a plan to restore its effort in the succeeding fiscal year. If DCSD experiences a significant decline in state and local revenues or a significant increase in student enrollment, the LEA may request a waiver of the MOE requirement from the USBE. The USBE will review the request and grant or deny the waiver in accordance with the ESEA and its regulations.