

# Title I

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# Title I

- Federally-funded, general education support program.
- Funding is based on the number of students who qualify for the free- and reduced-price lunch program. However, students do not have to participate in this lunch program to qualify for Title I services. Eligible students are failing or at risk of failing to meet grade-level standards. If all eligible students cannot be served, those most in need are served.

## The goal

**Title I provides extra help and instruction for those students struggling in reading.**

- Student data is collected and submitted each year.
- Parent involvement is required
- Staffing at RWPS: 2 Title I teachers, 6 Title I Paras
- Approximate number of students served 2020-21: 240 students (K-4)
- Students are identified by our FastBridge Learning screening assessments; fall, winter, and spring. We also look at classroom performance, student grades, and teacher recommendations to identify students eligible to receive Title I services.
- Curriculum: new this year, Waseca Biomes
- Budget (2022): \$318,615.00\* (2023): \$354,063.46

# Current Curriculum

## Waseca

- Based on 44 phonemes (sounds)
- The program uses a four-step approach in which the children spell the word depicted on the card with a moveable alphabet, a process that involves encoding or using the phonetic principle introduced to make a word. In the next step, the child lays out all of the cards and matches the label cards, thereby decoding the phonetic information. Additional practice in decoding involves writing the words and reading words that follow the same phonetic principle in a booklet.
- The sequence is consistent with that of the Orton-Gillingham Method in its application for children with dyslexia.

Growth Percentage for Title Students			
	SES	BES	TBS
K	76%	34%	38%
1st	55%	47%	41%
2nd	70%	56%	82%
3rd	72%	61%	50%
4th	34%	59%	56%

Aggressive Growth
Typical Growth
Modest Growth
Flat Growth

## Policy 612.1 Development of Parent & Family Engagement Policies for Title I Programs

- Coordinates with the Title I-A and Title II-A Compliance Guide
- Title I Parent Involvement Plan
  - Smore newsletters monthly: Example: [December 2021](#)
  - Weekly reports to parents on progress.
  - Reading activities sent home.
  - Family Fun Night: May 2022 at the Foot Room



# Looking Ahead

- New staff to train
- More opportunities for parent involvement
- Working on district wide/school wide Title services for more flexible use of dollars.
- Streamlining our curriculums from Tier 1 - Tier 3, in conjunction with Director of Teaching & Learning and MTSS Committee.

