



Monday Mailer #24 – February 23, 2015

Title I Update

Dear School Families,

As you may already know, Creative City is in its first year as a Title I Targeted Assistance (TA) School. This means that we receive extra resources to support students most in need of additional academic support.

If you have been identified as an eligible family, you have already received some information from Ms. Lewis. While our Title I activities will be focused on eligible families, some recent Title I discussions impact all families.

At our last School Family Association meeting on January 13, we discussed final plans for our Title I Family Engagement Strategy, as well as the development of our School-Family Compact. We receive a modest amount of money from Title I to assist us in more deeply engaging parents and other family members in their student's education. After surveying school families over the course of three SFA meetings, three top priorities have risen up, to be implemented between now and May:

- **"Math Night"** to help families become more familiar with our math instruction strategies, and to give tips to support instruction at home.
- **"Literacy Night"** (as above, but with literacy strategies)
- Workshops for families on successfully guiding their child(ren) through behavior challenges and/or stressful situations, in a way that complements Creative City's approach, provided by **Mariposa Child Success Programs**.

Dates and more information on these opportunities will come soon. For now, we wanted to notify you of the results of the conversations and surveys we have conducted over the last 2-3 months.

Another tool used in all Title I schools is a **School-Family Compact**. Attached is the Compact that we developed after receiving deep feedback from families at the December 9th meeting. We encourage you to read, sign and return this Compact, which will also be discussed at our next Parent-Teacher Conferences.

If you have questions or concerns about this information, please contact either one of us and we would be pleased to meet with you.

Marisa Canino
Executive Director

Craig Spilman
Principal

Turn Over, Please!

SCHOOL SURVEY: LAST CHANCE!

School Surveys are due to the district this week, by February 27th. You can complete the survey online at your convenience at home, OR you can use the computer in our Family Resource Room (just off the cafeteria) to complete the online version of the survey any time.

www.k12insight.com/SchoolSurveyParent

The survey will ask for our school number - Creative City is School # 384.

Have you signed up for Class Messenger?

This is a great way to get Creative City news and updates in the way that works best for your family – through text, email, push notification, or accessing via the internet. Sign-up for FREE at www.ClassMessenger.com OR download the free app.

Creative City's Code is **H N Q 4 5 T**

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SAVE THE DATE – COMING SOON!

Thursday, Feb 26, 9:00am – Open House for prospective students & families

Thursday, March 5, 9:00am – Open House for prospective students & families

Sunday, March 8, 2:00pm – Johns Hopkins Symphony Orchestra concert for children & families.

Monday, March 9, 6:00pm – Board meeting, open to the public

Saturday, March 21, 9:00am – Third Saturday school grounds clean-up

Saturday, March 28, 1:00 – 3:00pm – All-student art show at The Walters Art Museum!

Friday, April 3 through Friday, April 10 – SPRING BREAK