



IRENE REITHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Each student will succeed through quality, inspirational and innovative education

October 8th, 2018

Dear Irene Reither Elementary Families,

Irene Reither Elementary (IRE) receives federal money to help support student learning through Title I, Part A. Title I, Part A, often referred to as Schoolwide Title, is a federal program that serves the needs of students who struggle to learn by offering programs and services that help identified students meet academic standards through instruction that more closely fits individual needs. In a Schoolwide Title school, teachers and paraprofessionals (support staff working under the direction of teachers) work cooperatively to provide reading and math skills in a blended program support model; this model provides both inclusive and pull-out instructional opportunities.

If participating in the Schoolwide Title program at IRE, your child will work on specific skill areas in reading, language, math, and behavior. The focus of this instruction is based on a variety of assessment information and classroom teacher observation. In some cases, students are working with modified instruction based on an Individual Education Plan (IEP) resulting from specific skill area assessment information.

Under the Elementary & Secondary Education Act (ESSA) guidelines, Meridian School District must notify parents if certificated teachers fail to have appropriate qualifications and/or licensing. You may rest assured that all the teachers in the Schoolwide Title program at Irene Reither Elementary meet all requirements. In addition, paraprofessionals are required to be highly qualified; this means they have college degrees, junior college associate degrees, or they have passed a nationally delivered standardized test. All paraprofessionals at IRE are highly qualified under NCLB. You may request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's classroom teachers and paraprofessionals at any time.

We are committed to serving all students at Irene Reither Elementary. If you have any questions about your child's educational program, please contact Patricia Fouts, Principal.

Sincerely,

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