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Title I – Parent Information

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

In an effort to provide you with up-to-date information regarding school performance and ways to stay, or become involved at your student's school, the Title I office would like to provide you with this informational letter. Within this letter there are three sections: the first section provides information regarding parental involvement; the second section of the letter provides information on how you may access your school's Schoolwide Program Plan (School Performance Plan); and the final section provides information on how to access Public Accountability Reports for your student's school (SPAR), and for the Okaloosa County School District (DPAR).

Parental Involvement

The state of Florida is home to two regional parent resource centers which provide a variety of resources. These resources are strictly optional, and it is the goal of the School District of Okaloosa County to make you aware of the resources that are available to parents. The contact information for each resource center is listed below:

- Central Florida Parent Center, Inc.
Assistance with Achieving Results in Education (AWARE Project)
1021 Delaware Avenue
Palm Harbor, FL 34683-3529
(727) 789-2400 (please note that long distance charges apply)
(727) 499-7926 FAX (please note that long distance charges apply)
Toll Free: 888-612-9273
Email: cfpc@cflparents.org
Website: <http://www.cflparents.org>
- Family Network on Disabilities of Florida, Inc.
Parents of the Panhandle Information Network (POPIN Project)
2735 Whitney Road
Clearwater, FL 33760-1610
(727) 523-1130 (please note that long distance charges apply)
(727) 523-8687 FAX (please note that long distance charges apply)
Toll Free: 1-800-825-5736 (Florida only)
Email: popin@fndfl.org
Website: <http://www.fndfl.org/>

The School District of Okaloosa County, as well as each Title I school, is also required to develop a Parental Involvement Policy. If you would like to view either of these plans please contact your student's school, or the Title I office, and a copy will be provided. You may also view the district's Parental Involvement Policy by visiting the Title I website.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLEX-120 LOWERY PLACE S.E.-FORT WALTON BEACH, FLORIDA 32548
TELEPHONE (850) 833-3100 FAX (850) 833-3436

CARVER HILL-461 W. SCHOOL AVE.-CRESTVIEW, FLORIDA 32536
TELEPHONE (850) 689-7117 FAX (850) 689-7121

To access the Title I website please follow the steps below:

- Go to www.okaloosaschools.com
- Scroll to the bottom to Departments.
- Under Departments select Title I.

Schoolwide Program Plan (School Performance Plan)

Under No Child Left Behind, Title I Schools are required to develop a Schoolwide Program Plan (School Performance Plan). This is a guiding document for a school's major initiatives for school performance. This document has been written by a committee of parents, faculty members, administrators, and community members. This plan must be approved by the School Advisory Council (SAC). (As of this date, the most current plan is for 2011-2012). If you would like to view your school's Schoolwide Program Plan (School Performance Plan) please follow the steps listed below:

- Go to www.okaloosaschools.com
- Scroll to the bottom and select School Performance Plans.
- Scroll to the bottom of the page and select the school you wish to view.

School/District Public Accountability Report (SPAR)

Under No Child Left Behind, the state of Florida develops Public Accountability Reports. The goal of these reports is to provide information on the educational progress of schools and school districts within the state of Florida. If you would like to view the SPAR for your school please follow the steps listed below:

- Go to <http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/index.cfm>
- Select the year you wish to view (at this time the most current report is for the 2011-2012 school year).
- Select Okaloosa County and press continue.
- Select the school you wish to view.

If you wish to view more specific information on the measurement of Adequate Yearly Progress for individual schools, school districts, and the state please visit:

- <http://schoolgrades.fldoe.org/default.asp>

Please note that the content of this letter is strictly informational; if you have any questions regarding any section of this letter please do not hesitate to contact the Title I Office at 833-5879.

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