



**MILWAUKEE PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
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To: Non-public schools participating in Title Programs for eligible City of Milwaukee resident students  
Re: **Title Program Consultation Meetings**

Under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA, now commonly referred to as "No Child Left Behind" legislation), Milwaukee Public Schools is required to engage in consultations on key issues that affect the ability of eligible private school students to participate equitably in Title programs. Any non-public school serving City of Milwaukee resident students may attend these consultation meetings, even if they are not currently participating in Title programs with the district. You are invited to send school representatives to the next consultation meeting. Here are meeting details:

**When:** 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon on Wednesday, September 15 2004  
**Where:** MPS Central Services Auditorium, 5225 W. Vliet Street

Topics at Title Program consultation meetings include:

- How MPS will identify the needs of Title I eligible private school children
- What services MPS will offer to eligible private school children
- How and when MPS will make decisions about the delivery of services
- How, where and by whom MPS will provide services to eligible private school children, including a thorough consideration and analysis of the views of the private school officials on the provision of Title I services through a contract with a third-party provider
- How MPS will assess academically the Title I services to eligible private school children in accordance with §200.10 and how MPS will use the results of that assessment to improve Title I services
- The size and scope of the equitable services that MPS will provide to eligible private school children and, consistent with §200.64, the proportion of funds that will be allocated to provide these services
- The method or sources of data that MPS will use under §200.78 to determine the number of private school children from low income families residing in participating public school attendance areas, including whether MPS will extrapolate data, if a survey is used
- The equitable services MPS will provide to teachers and families of participating private school children

Finally, for your information:

- Milwaukee non-public school Title program allocation letters for 2004-2005 were mailed in August. Please contact the MPS non-public school Title program office with information listed in letterhead if you have questions about the information provided.
- MPS will be conducting an enrollment audit for non-public schools participating in Title programs beginning on September 17, 2004. This "third Friday" count will help the district ensure more equitable distribution of Title funds. In this audit, only schools that experienced enrollment declines or increases of 15% or more will experience adjustments to Title program allocations. An audit form is included with this mailing. Title I participants will be contacted on or soon after September 17 for this information. Schools participating in other Title programs will be contacted by MPS personnel.
- The non-public school Title program calendar has been updated and included in this mailing. Non-public schools are strongly encouraged to register for one of the informational sessions on Title program participation. The calendar update includes much new information for the 2004-2005 school year.
- A tentative agenda is attached. Contact Ed Valent (information in header) with questions or suggestions.

**MPS Non-public School Web Site:** [www2.milwaukee.k12.wi.us/title\\_i/Web\\_Pages/non-public.html](http://www2.milwaukee.k12.wi.us/title_i/Web_Pages/non-public.html)

**Milwaukee Non-public School Title Program Consultation Agenda and Minutes**  
**Wednesday, September 15, 2004**  
**8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**  
**Milwaukee Public Schools Central Services Auditorium**  
5225 W. Vliet Street  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

**I. Welcome and Overview** - 88 people signed in at this meeting

- A. Issues addressed in new Milwaukee Non-public School Title Program Handbook:** The Handbook is being circulated as a draft. It will be submitted for review by both state and federal Title program monitors and by local non-public schools participating in Title Programs. The handbook relies heavily on information printed in the new U.S. Education Department pamphlet called, "NCLB Benefits for Private School Students and Teachers". General Title program information is followed by particular information about Milwaukee programs. Extensive information about how funds are allocated and accessed under each Title is provided.
- B. Information contained in updated Non-public School Title program request form:** New Title Program Request form contains workbooks with much more information to aid in the processing of requests. Training sessions scheduled for the next five weeks will address handbook and request form extensively.
- C. Title Program calendar:** Schools are encouraged to check the MPS non-public school web site often for updates.
- D. Third Friday of September Non-public Title Program Enrollment Audit:** An audit form to be used by MPS staff and Title IA service providers was distributed for review. This document was first proposed and discussed at the spring 2004 non-public school consultation meeting. No objections were raised about this attempt to ensure more equity in the distribution of Title funds set aside for non-public schools.
- E. Title Program Evaluations:** Evaluations for 2003-2004 have been submitted by mail by many participating non-public schools. Results will be shared at the November Non-public Title Program Consultation. This year, evaluation questions will be included with each Title Program request form. It was explained that since MPS has to provide assurances that programs are being evaluated for their effectiveness at raising student achievement, participating non-public schools would also be required to annually assess the effectiveness of their Title program expenditures.

**II. Title IB - Informational item only: Reading First grants were awarded to St. Anthony and St. Martini schools. New applications will not be taken in the 2004-2005 school year.**

**III. Title IIA**

- A. Role of participating school and MPS in development of and payment for professional development activities:** The new handbook was referenced here.
- B. Documentation requests:** The new handbook was referenced here.

**IV. Title IID, Anne Knackert - 438-3677**

- A. Educational Technology Professional development grant overview:** Ms. Knackert explained that seats were being reserved for non-public school participants in graduate level courses under Title IID. Schools were encouraged to spread the word about these classes. Tuition will be reimbursed for those who attain grades of A

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or B. The courses will be offered each semester. Schools that meet additional requirements may also be able to participate in minigrants to further school professional development goals.

**B. Equitable participation in access to course offerings for non-public school staff members:** 16% of City of Milwaukee Students are being served by non-public schools participating in Title IID, so 16% of the seats in the courses are reserved for non-public participants.

**V. Title IV, Robert Helminiak, Safe and Drug Free Schools, 475-8057**

**A. New program options:** Options are posted on the MPS non-public school Title program web site.

**B. Title IV Student Assistance Coordinator (SAC) networking meetings:** Schools were encouraged to develop Title IV decision making teams to plan Title IV activities and to participate in district sponsored networking events. It was explained that non-public school staff members could receive stipends for attending such events during times when they were not otherwise compensated by their non-public school.

**C. Waivers for off menu items:** Only expenditures for pre-approved items on the Title IV lists (see web site) will be allowed this year. Waivers must be sought to allow other activities with these funds.

**VI. Title IA**

**A. Establishing consultative relationships with service providers:** Schools were encouraged to work with Title IA service providers to develop eligibility lists, establish service models and plan professional development and parental involvement activities.

**B. Title I trainings for Non-public school staff: The September 16, 2004 session is remaining (call Ms. Golke at 475-8892 to register. Seating is limited.)**

**C. Proposed 2004-2005 Title I Testing:** Information is listed in the calendar provided.

**VII. Questions and answers**

**VIII. Title III, Ivy Covert - 475-8091 - Deb Spatz - 475-8800**

**A. Title III audit of English Language Learner (ELL) needs at participating schools:** MPS officials consulted with Title III schools about the need to evaluate some of the students on non-public school ELL lists. A letter will be sent to seek dates to conduct the testing. Allocations might be affected by the results of the survey testing.

**B. Allowable Title III expenditures.** Ms. Covert briefly discussed the possibilities for Title III expenditures for materials and professional development that support the academic achievement of ELL students.

**IX. Breakout sessions with Title I vendors (Room 255, 256 and Central Services Cafeteria Private Dining Room):**

Four service providers (ABC, Catapult, NESI and Learning Exchange) met with the Title I participating schools that selected them.

Please contact Ed Valent, MPS supervisor assigned to non-public school Title Program coordination, at 475-8122 or [valentec@mail.milwaukee.k12.wi.us](mailto:valentec@mail.milwaukee.k12.wi.us)