

# Gombert Elementary School Title I Newsletter for Families



## WHAT IS TITLE I?

Under the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA), the Federal government allocates Title I funds to school districts around the country to provide supplemental resources to assist eligible schools to meet and exceed educational school goals. Schools use their Title I funds in a variety of ways, aimed at improving the performance and closing any achievement gaps which may exist. Indian Prairie's Title I funds are used at the preschool and elementary levels to provide additional instructional support and extended learning opportunities for students, teacher training, and parental involvement opportunities.

## Title I Funds in Action at Gombert

- Provide four instructional assistants to work with students during the day
- Fall Title I Parent Night
- After-school program for reading and math support (*Gombert Excel*), including software support (*Waggle*)
- Leveled Literacy Instruction (LLI) program materials
- Teacher professional development in many areas, including close reading instruction, math recovery training, Kagan strategies, and leveled literacy instruction
- Professional development workshops: Every Student Succeeds Act, Illinois Computing Educators, and Professional Learning Communities
- Translation headset system for non-English speaking parents
- Parent resource library
- Chromebook laptops (50) for use in student interventions
- Kindergarten baggie book program
- First grade baggie book program
- Family Literacy Night
- STEM Night with Northern Illinois University
- Family Math Night with the DuPage Children's Museum
- Summer Book Program



## Did You Know?

District 204 has a Title I Parent Advisory Committee that meets semi-annually to provide input and share parent resources.

### Gombert Title I Parent Advisory Committee

Kathy Zemba & Rebecca Tellez, Parents  
Chrissy Ensign, Lesli Langel and Joni Probst, Reading Improvement Teachers  
Emily Stubbs, Student Services Coordinator  
Dr. Jeremy Ricken, Principal

