

In addition to the commitment and expectations found in parent involvement plans at each Title I school and the Anne Arundel County Public Schools Parent Involvement Policy and Regulation, the Title I Office agrees to implement the following Title I law requirements as documented in the No Child Left Behind Act. All parent plans are reviewed, evaluated, and updated annually in a joint effort between parents and educators as a part of the Parent Advisory Council Meetings.

We welcome feedback about our District-level Parent Plan and its components. Please feel free to contact the Title I Office with any feedback or questions about this plan.

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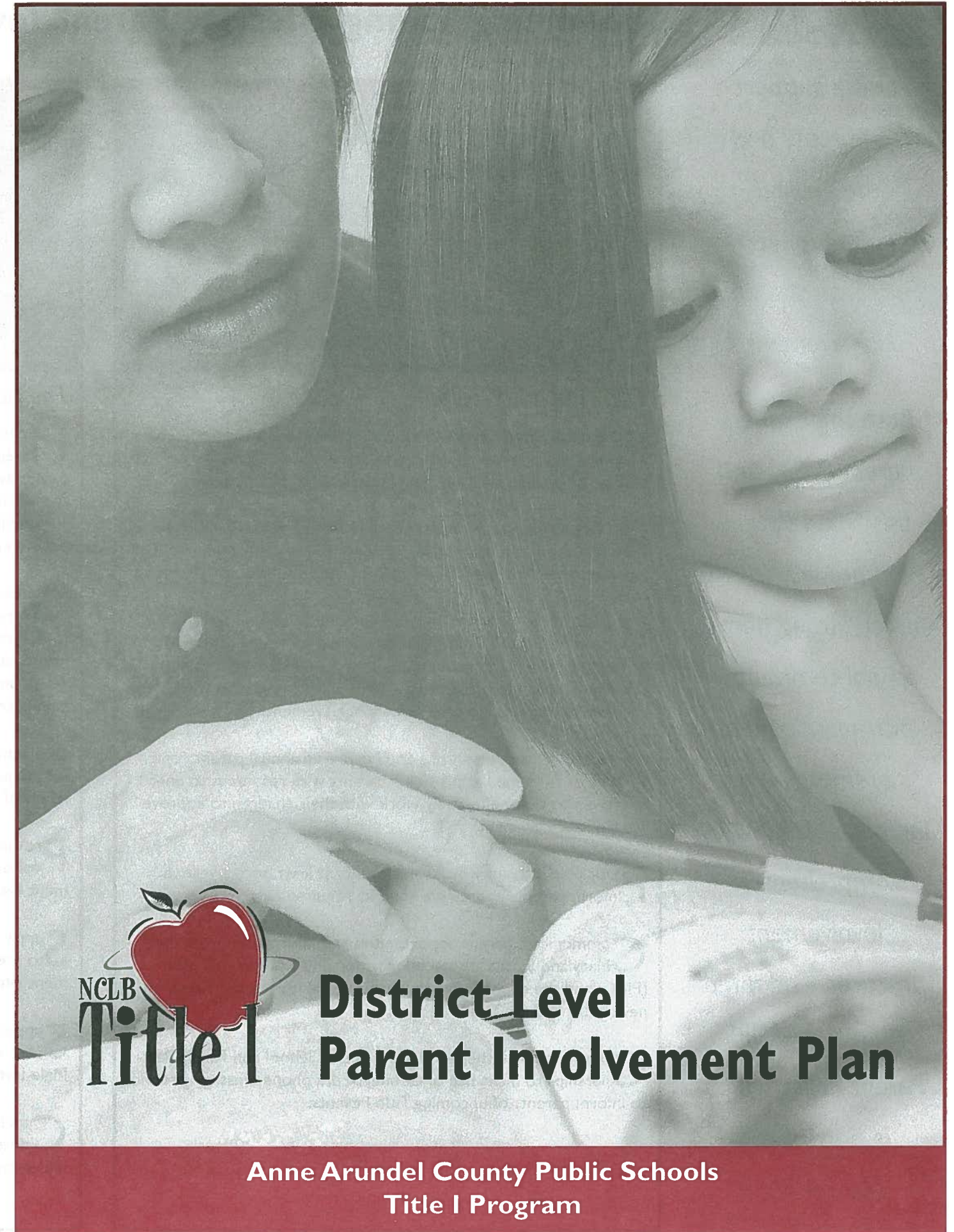
This annual Title I Parent Plan will be posted on the Title I website as well as published in the District Title I Newsletter each spring to allow for input on its revisions.

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## District Level Parent Involvement Plan

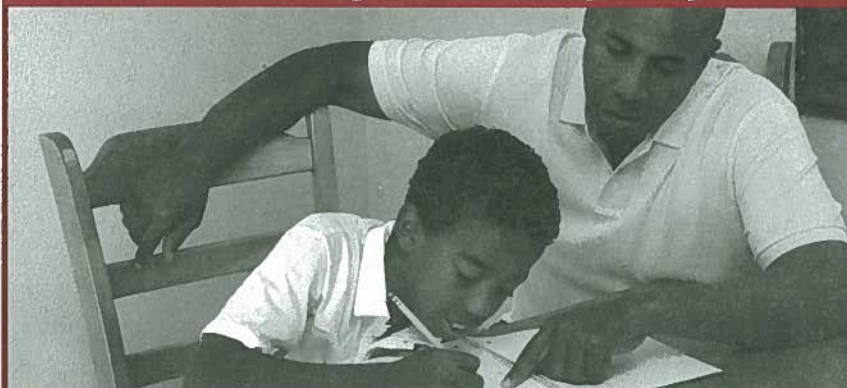
Anne Arundel County Public Schools  
Title I Program

AACPS believes in the support of parents and the greater community to increase student achievement.

Both the county's Parent Policy and this Title I Parent Plan are written to ensure strong home-school-community partnerships and promotes the increase of effective comprehensive involvement practices~ adapted from the AACPS Parent Policy which is part of the Master Plan.

## Supporting Strong Effective Parent Involvement by...

### ...Building Parent Capacity



#### The Title I Office will:

**E**ncourage parent involvement with a reimbursement (based on availability of funds and distance travelled) to parents for car mileage when attending any Title I district-level parent events.

**P**rovide training to promote effective parenting skills and internet safety through a partnership with Anne Arundel Community College, and Anne Arundel County Public Schools Office of Technology.

**P**rovide materials and training to parents through quarterly Title I newsletters, the Title I website, and parent trainings which will include information about Title I, state and local assessments, achievement standards, and suggestions and strategies to work with children at home to increase student achievement.

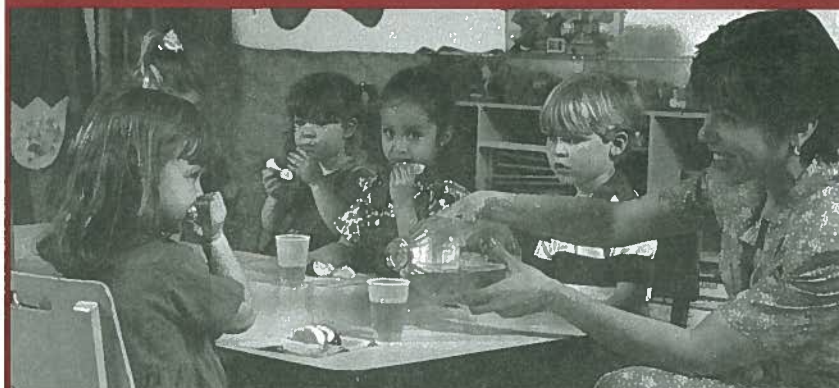
**A**ssist parents in organizing and hosting an annual parent conference / fair aimed at providing parents with resources to enable them to more effectively work with their children to improve academic achievement.

**P**articipate at county mall kiosk events at least once a year to inform parents about Title I and its requirements.

**C**ommunicate parent opportunities and information from the Maryland State Parental Information and Resource Center (PIRC) and the county's Parent Resource Center via the Title I newsletter and the Title I website.

**C**oordinate with the District's Office of School and Family Partnerships to make use of Connect-Ed, a phone messaging service to inform parents of upcoming Title I events.

### ...Building School Capacity



#### The Title I Office will:

**M**onitor schools and their plans to ensure that annual school meetings are conducted to gather parent input, ensure all parent events include an evaluation from parents to validate parent needs and contributions, and ensure volunteer opportunities are provided as a means to encourage parent participation in the decision-making process.

**G**ather input to share with school staff from the Parent Advisory Council (PAC), parent evaluations, and spring surveys to determine satisfaction, suggestions, and recommendations for future parent initiatives and budgets, as well as input on professional development for instructional staff on how to work with parents as equal partners.

**S**tructure the quarterly PAC meetings to allow school-based staff and parents to network and work together to understand the needs of the students.

**P**rovide at least one presentation related to effective parent involvement at 3 or more Title I sponsored professional development events for school-based staff.

**S**upply a Title I Overview PowerPoint presentation to school staff to use during Title I parent events and site-based staff development which will include all parent involvement requirements.

**S**upport schools' parent involvement initiatives with Ready at Five Learning Parties trainings and funds to start a WATCH DOGS Male Involvement program in the school.

**C**ollaborate with AACPS to ensure that all Title I related parent documents are distributed in a format and language that parents understand. Language interpreters will be provided as necessary.

### ...Working with Outside Businesses\*



#### The Title I Office will collaborate with various businesses, agencies, and outside programs to:

**H**ost, present, and provide materials for an annual parent conference / fair and student/parent recognition evening

**P**rovide parents with classes to strengthen parenting skills and promote job readiness, as well as ongoing opportunities to learn about the availability of social service programs.

**P**rovide parents with materials, training, incentives, and resources to work with their children at home to increase student achievement.

\* The Title I Office of Anne Arundel County Public Schools would like to publicly thank Anne Arundel Community College, Pizza Hut of Maryland, Ready at Five Organization, Michael's 8th Avenue, Johns Hopkins Priority Partners, and Anne Arundel County Chamber of Commerce, and all of the other businesses that will be identified as the 2009-2010 school year unfolds, for supporting the instructional initiatives provided for our Title I families.