QUINTON TOWNSHIP SCHOOL Quinton, New Jersey

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Principal

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

In order to help you understand the basic skills program at Quinton Township School, I have enclosed this letter along with the Title I Parent Involvement Policy for you to review. It is our goal to develop a partnership between you and the school to provide the best education possible for your child.

The basic skills program at Quinton Township School offers your child a chance at a high quality education. In kindergarten through second grade, students are involved in an inclass support program. Your child is given the educational support that he/she needs to have a successful educational experience. The instructional aide works alongside the teacher to provide reinforcement of concepts taught in the classroom. Additionally, students in kindergarten through fourth grade may be involved in our Response To Intervention Program (RTI) for literacy improvement. In the RTI program students are placed on Tiers based on universal screenings and progress monitoring and provided with interventions by the classroom teacher and/or basic skills teacher. In the remaining grade levels the classroom teacher will differentiate instruction to meet the needs of those students who are involved in the program and/or a basic skills teacher will offer assistance in the classroom.

Scores on the state assessment (NJSLA - grades three through eight) and MAP (Measures of Academic Progress - grades Kindergarten through second) is used to identify Title 1 students. NJSLA test results will be distributed in September. To determine eligibility, students scoring and Level 1 or Level 2 are automatically placed in the Title 1 program. Students that test at Level 3 may or may not be placed into the Title 1 program based on the previous year's teacher recommendation. The MAP test is administered to students in grades kindergarten through eight. We use the MAP test to place students in basic skills in grades K through 2. In order for your kindergarten through second grader to be placed in basic skills in math or language arts, he/she must score at the 20th percentile or below in the national norm. Students in grades K through 2 may also be placed in basic skills in language arts depending on how they score in the MAP Reading Fluency Test. Parents of students placed in the program will receive a student/parent/teacher compact to sign that encourages parental involvement.

Before evening conferences in both the fall and the spring we will discuss the Title 1 program to encourage parental input. We feel it is important that you are involved in the educational process of your child and welcome any suggestions that you may have. Please make sure to fill out and return the survey that you will be getting in the spring which will allow us to evaluate our program.

Sincerely,

Mindy Bacon

Principal