



Larsen Elementary School

"...spotting excellence in every student"

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Dear Parents,

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Larsen Elementary has been identified as a Title 1 school during the 2023-2024 school year, and as such, has a school wide Title 1 Plan that includes the following:

1. **Comprehensive Needs Assessment-** Larsen Elementary has developed and utilizes a comprehensive needs assessment for the entire student body. It is based on information about the performance of our students in relation to the state core content standards.
2. **Schoolwide Reform Strategies-** Larsen Elementary has prioritized the school's top needs to maximize student achievement by structuring curriculum, instruction, and assessment to meet those needs. Larsen effectively uses time, money, resources, and personnel to aid in student achievement.
3. **Instruction by Highly Qualified Staff-** At Larsen Elementary all teachers have a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree and are certified to teach in their respective grades. Paraprofessionals also meet a rigorous standard. They must have either an Associates Degree, 48 hours of college, or complete a ParaPro Assessment to demonstrate proficiency in reading, writing, and mathematics.
4. **Professional Development-** At Larsen, professional development and continuing education programs are offered throughout the year to help teachers, paraprofessionals, and administration work with at-risk, exceptional, and regular education students. Professional development opportunities include: endorsement classes, mentoring, in-service meetings, data dives, CMI training, phonics training, conferences, etc.
5. **Parental Involvement-** The staff at Larsen Elementary focuses on building relationships, having trust, and collaboration between staff and families. We communicate via phone calls, SEP Conferences, emails, notes, school newsletter, and our school website. Larsen encourages community involvement in things such as: Open House/Back to School Night, SEP Conferences, Leopard Pride Assemblies, newsletters, and PTA sponsored activities. Parents also have the opportunity to be a part of the school community council where they are actively involved in the education and planning for student improvement.
6. **Students who experience difficulty mastering academic achievement standards-** Larsen Elementary strives to provide effective and timely help for every student. The faculty, staff, and administration work together to strengthen student learning. Collaboration, TAT Meetings, Special Education, and other measures are in place to encourage student success, identify areas of need, and to identify effective intervention.
7. **Coordination of Budgets (Federal, State, and Local Funds)-** Larsen Elementary makes every effort to coordinate all of the programs including federal, state, and local services to provide the students with maximum learning opportunities. Programs provided at Larsen include: Title One, Special Education, Language Services, ESL, etc.