



# TANGIPAHOA PARISH SCHOOL SYSTEM

## TITLE 1 RESOURCE CENTER

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*Superintendent*

DEBORAH FORSHAG  
*Director of Federal Programs*

July 1, 2009

Dear Parent(s),

Under the requirements of the federal legislation No Child Left Behind (NCLB), we must inform you that the school your child attends, West Side Middle, has been identified as a school in need of improvement because the school failed to make adequate yearly progress in mathematics.

The faculty and staff at West Side Middle are working to improve the school's performance score by incorporating and implementing the new Comprehensive Curriculum Program. The school has also received additional funding which will assist in implementing new programs and providing additional materials to the districts students.

Though the district believes in the school's ability to improve, it is our responsibility, as mentioned above, to notify you of the school improvement status of West Side Middle. You may choose to return your child to West Side Middle. However, due to your school being identified as a school for improvement your child is eligible to attend one of the following:

School Choice	School Performance Score
Independence Middle      Grades 5-8	66.3
Nesom Middle              Grades 6-8	86.7
Natalbany Elementary      Grade 5	67.9

Although your child can attend one of the above schools, we would hope you would allow your child to remain at West Side Middle and give the school the opportunity to work to improve the school's performance. You will be notified soon of a parental meeting to discuss your concerns.

If you choose to move your child, your child will have to remain at that school the entire year. He/she will not be allowed to return to West Side Middle. Free bus transportation will be provided. However, if West Side Middle improves and starts meeting state standards we may not be able to provide free transportation.

Your request for transfer must be put in writing and submitted by Friday, July 24, 2009. Please submit your request on the enclosed form by mailing it to:

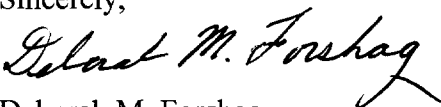
Title I Resource Center  
Attention: Deborah M. Forshag, Director of Federal Programs  
500 East Pine Street  
Amite, LA 70422

If you would like to deliver your letter personally, the Title I Resource Center is located across the street from Amite Elementary.

Transportation will be arranged the week of July 27, 2009. Choice will begin on Thursday, August 13, 2009.

If you would like more information about your options, please contact Deborah M. Forshag, Director of Federal Programs, at 748-2471.

Sincerely,



Deborah M. Forshag  
Director of Federal Programs