



# TANGIPAHOA PARISH SCHOOL SYSTEM

## TITLE I RESOURCE CENTER

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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, was identified as a school in need of improvement. West Side Middle was identified as a school in need of improvement because a subgroup of students did not meet performance goals established by the state.

The administration will evaluate all areas of instruction at West Side Middle. This evaluation will include interviews and surveys of students, teachers and parents to determine what areas need to be improved. The information obtained will be used to revise the School Improvement Plan. Teacher training to focus on improving the areas in which students at West Side Middle are having difficulty will be provided to teachers.

Each parent is encouraged to arrange a private conference with their child's teacher to discuss ways to improve his or her individual performance. Parents are also invited to participate as members of the School Improvement Team at West Side Middle. The School Improvement Team is a group made up of the principal, teachers and parents. This team tries to improve the overall learning experiences for all students. Even if a parent does not serve on this team, he or she may attend meetings of this team. When school begins, you will be notified of a parental meeting to be held at West Side Middle. At that time you will be given more information on how you can participate in the school improvement process.

Your child is eligible for School Choice. Not all schools in the district are approved to accept transfers. Attached is a letter explaining School Choice and stating which schools are available for transfers.

Sincerely,

Deborah M. Forshag  
Director of Federal Programs

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