“Collaborating For Success” Parent Engagement Toolkit Glossary of Terms

Common Core State Standards Initiative (CCSSI): State-led initiative to improve student achievement by creating consistent, or common, Kindergarten through Twelfth grade academic standards in English language arts and mathematics.

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)/No Child Left Behind (NCLB) – The policy that governs education in the United States, as reauthorized in 2001. It is intended to raise student achievement and close achievement gaps.

Fluency – flowing, or completed with ease

Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA): The federal law that ensures certain services to children with disabilities throughout the United States. IDEA controls how states and public agencies provide early intervention, special education and related services to more than 6.5 million eligible infants, toddlers, children and youth with disabilities.

Proficiency – skill or expertise

Standardized Assessments – Tests to measure students’ proficiency in a subject area. These tests are administered and scored in a consistent manner so reliable data can be obtained.

Title I (Improving the Academic Achievement of the Disadvantaged) – Provides funding to schools as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)/No Child Left Behind (NCLB) to support and increase the academic achievement of disadvantaged students.

Title I, Part C (Migrant Education Program) - Provides funding to schools as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)/No Child Left Behind (NCLB) to support the education of migrant students.

Title III (Language Instruction for Limited English Proficient and Immigrant Students) - Provides funding to schools as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)/No Child Left Behind (NCLB) to support the education of English Language Learners.

Title X (The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act) - Provides funding to schools as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)/No Child Left Behind (NCLB) to support the education of homeless students.