

The United States Congress has long recognized that higher poverty schools face unique challenges in educating students and provides supplementary assistance to those schools in the form of Title I funds. Schools that meet high levels of achievement and close the learning gap despite these challenges are to be commended.

Utah State Title I Committee of Practitioners established the following criteria that Title I schools must meet to qualify for these recognitions:

#### Utah High Performing Title I Schools Recognition

1. Achieve Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in both Language Arts and Mathematics for the previous two years;
2. Achieve at or above the Utah state average in Language Arts and Mathematics on the most recent CRTs; and
3. Be nominated by their superintendent or charter school leader for state recognition as a high performing school.

#### Utah Closing the Achievement Gap Title I School Recognition

1. Achieve Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in both Language Arts and Mathematics for the previous two years;
2. Reduce by at least 50% the achievement gap between certain disaggregated student groups and the whole school in Language Arts and Mathematics; and
3. Be nominated by their superintendent or charter school leader for state recognition in closing the achievement gap.

The Utah State Office of Education is pleased to recognize the following Title I schools that have achieved high levels of student performance:

#### Utah Title I High Performing School Award 2011-12

##### Alpine School District

- Central Elementary
- Suncrest Elementary

##### Beaver School District

- Belknap Elementary
- Milford Elementary
- Minersville Elementary

##### Cache School District

- Lewiston Elementary
- Lincoln Elementary
- Nibley Elementary
- Park Elementary
- Summit Elementary

##### Carbon School District

- Bruin Point Elementary
- Sally Mauro Elementary

##### Duchesne School District

- Neola Elementary

Emery School District

- Ferron Elementary
- Huntington Elementary

Garfield School District

- Escalante Elementary

Iron School District

- Cedar East Elementary
- Enoch Elementary
- Escalante Valley Elementary
- Parowan Elementary
- Three Peaks Elementary

Juab School District

- Mona Elementary
- Red Cliff Elementary

Kane School District

- Big Water Elementary

Logan School District

- Bridger Elementary
- Ellis Elementary

Morgan School District

- Morgan Elementary

Murray School District

- Liberty Elementary

Nebo School District

- Park Elementary

North Sanpete School District

- Fountain Green Elementary
- Mt. Pleasant Elementary

Park City School District

- McPolin Elementary

Piute School District

- Circleville Elementary

Provo City School District

- Provost Elementary

Salt Lake City School District

- Newman Elementary

Sevier School District

- Monroe Elementary
- Salina Elementary

South Sanpete School District

- Ephraim Elementary

South Summit School District

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Tintic School District

- Eureka Elementary

Wasatch School District

- Heber Valley Elementary
- J.R. Smith

Washington School District

- Coral Cliffs Elementary

#### Charter Schools

- Academy of Math, Engineering and Science (AMES)
- American Preparatory Academy – Draper Campus
- City Academy
- Hawthorne Academy
- Intech Collegiate High School
- Legacy Preparatory Academy
- North Davis Preparatory Academy
- Northern Utah Academy of Math, Engineering and Science (NUAMES)
- Providence Hall
- Reagan Academy
- Salt Lake Arts Academy
- Soldier Hollow
- Syracuse Arts
- Wasatch Peak Academy

#### Utah Title I Closing the Achievement Gap Award 2010-11

##### Beaver School District

- Belknap Elementary
- Milford Elementary
- Minersville Elementary

##### Carbon School District

- Bruin Point Elementary

##### Iron School District

- Cedar East Elementary

##### Logan School District

- Bridger Elementary

##### North Sanpete School District

- Moroni Elementary

##### Washington School District

- Red Mountain Elementary

##### Charter School

- Guadalupe Schools

The Utah State Office of Education will recognize each of the schools through the following actions:

- A public announcement that includes a list of the Title I schools statewide receiving the Utah Title I High Performing Schools Recognition and Utah Title I Closing the Achievement Gap Recognition
- A certificate of recognition from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction for each school
- A letter of congratulations to the local board of education/charter board
- A letter of congratulations to the school that may be shared with parents and school community

The Utah State Office of Education appreciates the dedicated service of teachers and administrators who work hard with parents and students in achieving this high level of student performance.

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