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Olympic-sized Learning

While the 2018 Winter Olympic Games are taking place thousands of miles away, your child can earn a "medal" in learning at home. Turn Olympic magic into educational gold with these suggestions.

Reading

Speed skating, ski jumping, luge...which Winter Olympics sports does your youngster enjoy watching? Head to the library together to pick out books about their history, the rules, and how the athletes train. *Idea*: Hold a "reading Olympics." let family members count the books they read in February. At the end of the month, everyone can award medals to their three favorites.

Math

Your child will practice gathering, recording, and calculating data to find out which of his favorite countries wins the most medals. Encourage him to divide poster board into four different columns: "Country," "Gold," "Silver," "Bronze." in column one, he can list teams he'd like to follow. Every day, have him check a newspaper or *olympic.org* and add tally marks for each country's medals. After the Olympics end, he can total the up to see who got the most in each category.

Social Studies

Where in the world do the Olympic athletes come from? To explore geography, help you youngster use a map to find countries represented in the Olympics. He might put star stickers on the countries on a wall map. Or let him print out a world map and make a dot on each competing country.



Title 1 information can be found on our school website at

www.ges.catoosa.k12.ga.us.

Please check the website for important dates, upcoming events, instructional videos, and information on how to help your child succeed!

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