



Family Engagement = Student Success

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Title I Tidbits... A Family Resource Newsletter

You're Invited!

We would like to invite you to join us for our Parent Advisory Council Meeting on **Thursday, April 13th, at 12:00.** At this meeting, we will: review the Title I spring survey results, review how Title I funds were spent this year, review the Title I School Improvement Plan and discuss our goals for next year, and review and discuss our Parent & Family Engagement Policy and Title I events for the next school-year. This meeting is open to **ALL FAMILIES** and will be a wonderful time for you to come and **voice your concerns, provide input, and share your ideas** regarding parent and family engagement, and the Title I program at our school. Please RSVP to Kami Leonard by Monday, April 10th. We really hope to see you there!

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS... YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THESE EVENTS!

- Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon - April 13th @ 11:30
- Spring PAC Meeting - April 13th @ 12:00
- GA Milestones Testing, - April 24th - 28th
- Spring DAC Meeting, - Thursday, May 11th @ 8:30 A.M. at the Learning Center

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If you have any questions or concerns about our school's Title 1 program, please feel free to contact us at any time!



GES wouldn't be as great as it is without our wonderful volunteers! You all have gone above and beyond this year to help our teachers and the school. So, to celebrate YOU, we are going to have a

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

on Thursday, April 13th at 11:30 A.M.

Please join us for lunch and laughter so we can let you know just how much we appreciate our GES volunteers! RSVP to Kami Leonard by Wednesday, April 12th.



Parents and community members are invited to join us for a Parent Café at the Catoosa County Learning Center (36 Muskogee Trail, Ringgold) at 8:30 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, May 11th for the purpose of developing, discussing and revising the Catoosa County Parent Involvement Policy. Your input and concerns regarding this policy and how it affects the Title 1 Program in our school district are very important to us. If you would like to attend this get-together, please contact Kami Leonard, your Parent Involvement Coordinator!

Test Taking Strategies: Do's and Don'ts

- **Do!** Make sure your children have eaten well on test days. Studies suggest that good nutrition is related to improved attention and concentration.
- **Do!** Help your children by encouraging a good night's rest before exams. Children who are tired will have difficulty focusing on their work.
- **Do!** Make the morning of test days pleasant. Stress will impair your children's ability to perform their best. Remind your children to dress comfortably, perhaps in layers, so that they are able to adjust to the temperature in the room.
- **Do!** Ensure that your children make it to school on time so that they do not miss any instructions and are allowed ample time to settle in and relax before the test begins.
- **Don't!** schedule dental or doctor appointments for testing days.
- **Don't!** be too anxious about your children's test scores. Although it is important to let them know that the tests should be taken seriously, it is also important not to increase test-taking anxiety.
- **Don't!** underestimate your influence on your children. Taking an interest in what they are doing at school and helping them prepare for tests will certainly have a positive impact on them.

