

## Parents and Community:

Please come join us on Thursday, May II, 2017 at the Catoosa County Learning Center from 8:30 - 10:00 A.M. for the Title I Parent and Family Engagement District Advisory Council for the purpose of distributing, revising, and approving the Parent and Family Engagement Policy for the 2017-2018 school year. Please RSVP to your Parent Involvement Coordinator, Kami Leonard by Monday, May Ist. We hope to see you there!



An excerpt from the March issue...

It's cool to learn new words!

At home or on the go, your youngster can expand her vocabulary. Try these suggestions:

<u>My word wall</u>. Many classrooms have word walls - why not let your child make one at home? Her closet door, a side of the refrigerator, or any other open spot will do. She could write words she is learning on index cards and arrange them by category. *Examples*: History words (*expansion, treaty*), science terms (*photosynthesis, mineral*). Each time she adds a word to her wall, ask her what it means. Then she can refer to the wall as she does her homework or writes stories.

<u>Games to go</u>. In the car, let your youngster pick a random letter (say, G), and take turns calling out something you see that begins with that letter (*grass, gazebo, giri*). If you say and unfamiliar word, point out the item so she learns it. When you reach the next block, someone else can pick a different letter. *Tip*: Later, help her remember the words by asking questions like "What was that round wooden structure that started with G?" (gazebo)



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!

For the 2016-2017 school year, GES received \$118, 675 in Title I funds. Eighty percent of these funds are spent on salaries for our Academic Coach, Parent Involvement Coordinator, and Intervention Paraprofessional. The other twenty percent of these funds are used towards technology resources for our students. We have purchased leases for the following computer programs; IXL, Education City, Brain Pop, Flocabulary, Spelling City and Reading Eggs. If you would like to provide any feedback or have any questions on how the Title I funds are being spent, please feel free to contact our Principal, Mrs. Sholl, or our Parent Involvement Coordinator, Kami Leonard.