



Dade Elementary School Community Resources

Parent Teacher Organization, (PTO)

The Dade Elementary Parent Teacher Organization is an important member of The Learning Community. PTO helps parents become directly involved in enhancing the learning experience of children, PTO provides direct assistance to the school through fund-raising and service activities; facilitate communication between teachers, administrators, parents, and the community; and promote community service and academic success in the school. **If you are interested in joining the Dade Elementary PTO, please contact Lisa Farmer at 706-657-8253 (EXT. 200)**



Dade Elementary Mentoring Program

What is a mentor? A mentor is a person who takes a few hours out of their monthly schedule to work one-on-one with a student. Many students at Dade Elementary School are in need of a positive role model like you! Mentors are asked to participate in a training session and then give at least one hour a week to visit their mentor match.

Do you remember the person who was there for you when you were younger? The person who listened to you, gave you advice, and supported you no matter what. The person who encouraged you and became your friend. *Do you remember your mentor?*

Now is the time to pass it on. There are many students at Dade Elementary School who are in need of a positive adult role model in their lives. They need support and guidance, help with schoolwork, or just someone to hear them out. Can you be that someone to a student at Dade Elementary School? Will you be a mentor?

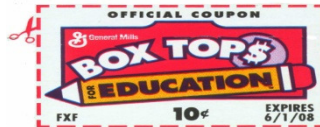
With just one hour each week, you can help make a difference in the school experiences of a student. Help an elementary student develop their basic academic and social skills or be there for a student who needs some extra guidance to make the right decisions. The possibilities are endless and the rewards you receive as a mentor are priceless. **For more information contact Tinena Bice or Catherine Wright at 706-657-8253 (Ext.110 or 325)**



Box Tops for Education – September

Box Tops For Education is a great way to support Dade Elementary School. We will be collecting “Box Tops for Education” beginning in September. **For more information please contact Mrs. Snay or Mrs. Lane at 706-657-8253 (EXT. 119)**

<http://www.boxtops4education.com/learn/WhyJoin.aspx>

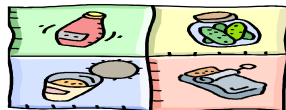


WE Care/We Share Thanksgiving Food - November

The Dade Elementary Thanksgiving Food Drive begins on Tuesday, November 1, 2011. This is a great opportunity to talk to your child about the joy of giving to others.

We provided over 50 Thanksgiving baskets for Dade Elementary families last year. There was even enough food to provide for some of our elderly citizens. They were greatly needed and appreciated. Thank you to all who gave.

Cash donations will be accepted and used for purchasing turkeys and /or hams to go with the baskets. **For more information, please contact Tinena Bice or Catherine Wright at 706-657-8253 (Ext. 110 or 325)**



White Christmas – (Hope for the Holidays) – December

Hope for the Holidays - Students at Dade Elementary School celebrate the holidays with the spirit of generosity. They donate gifts and food items to our local “Hope for the Holidays” Christmas Fund which is sponsored by the Dade County Sheriff’s Office. All of the students present gifts wrapped in white tissue paper to Sheriff Cannon, Fire Chief Alex Case, and Mrs. Cherie Swader the school principal who is

usually dressed as Mrs. Claus. The gifts are donated to children in need. If you would like to make a donation, please contact **Tinena Bice or Catherine Wright at Phone number 706-657-8253 (Ext. 110 or 325)**



Pop Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House – Jan. - May

Students at Dade Elementary School will begin collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House in March. The Ronald McDonald Houses collect pop tabs instead of entire aluminum cans because it's more hygienic to store tabs than cans, and collection and storage is easier. The program is an easy way for people of all ages to support RMHC and know they are making a difference for families and children. For more information **contact Tinena Bice or Catherine Wright at 706-657-8253 (Ext. 110 or 325)**



Other local support agencies

WINN Georgia

WINN Georgia is an organization working to build a system of care, a coordinated network of community-based services and supports organized to meet the challenges of youth who are at risk for out of home placement, in northwest Georgia. WINN Georgia serves fifteen counties of northwest Georgia: Dade, Walker, Floyd, Bartow, Paulding, Polk, Haralson, Fannin, Gilmer, Pickens, Murray, Whitfield, Gordon, Catoosa, and Chattooga. WINN Georgia is comprised of staff located in these counties, a policy council incorporating representatives from the community in partnership with various organizations located within these communities, and Lookout Mountain Community Services. **Phone Number 706-657-5368**



Lookout Mountain Community Service

Lookout Mountain Community Service, (LMCS) LMCS provides mental health, substance abuse, or developmental disabilities services to individuals. LMCS provides services to the four most northwest counties of Georgia: Catoosa, Chattooga, Dade, and Walker. LMCS provides these services regardless of one's ability to pay by using an adjusted fee scale based on one's income. While everyone is expected to pay something for services rendered, we are able to serve those individuals who do not have insurance or the funds to pay full fee.

LMCS serves adults, children, and adolescents with a wide range of problems. Not only do they have traditional services such as psychiatric evaluations, medication monitoring, individual and group therapy, they also offer community-based services in homes, in schools and at the work site to facilitate improved functioning in those settings. In addition, the agency operates an extensive transportation program which transports consumers to our various programs. For more information please call **Phone Number 706-657-7501**

Georgia H.O.P.E.

Georgia H.O.P.E. is an approved provider for Child & Adolescent, Adult Mental Health, and Addictive Disease Core Services. Georgia H.O.P.E. works in partnership with individuals, families, and community resources to help people achieve good health and meaningful living, with an ultimate goal to improve community wellness by promoting hope and recovery for people served by the program. For more information please call **Phone number 800-906-9766**

Dade First Family Connection

Dade Family Connection is a statewide network of 159 county collaboratives in Georgia. Each collaborative serves as the local decision-making body, bringing community partners together to develop, implement, and evaluate plans that address the serious challenges facing Georgia's children and families.

Collaboratives build a team of diverse partners committed to improving the quality of life in their communities. Each collaborative coordinates a planning process that identifies needs and resources, sets goals and priorities, evaluates programs and practices, and measures and reports results for their county. For more information please contact Rebecca Page at **Phone Number 706-657-7273**

