

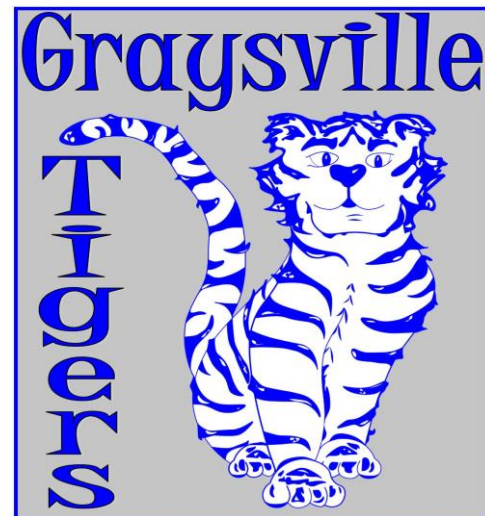
GES Title I Tidbits...

A Family Resource Newsletter

Parent & Family Engagement = Student Success

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Welcome Back!

I hope everyone had a fun-filled winter holiday break! It is hard to believe that this new year marked the beginning of a new decade and the half way point of this school year! As you think of the possibilities this new year and semester might hold, please consider how you can become more involved in your child's education.

A great way to strengthen your involvement is to attend a parent-teacher conference! Meeting with your child's teacher is an important part of your child's educational success. Many of you attended our Student Data Sharing event on December 18th. Your child was able to give you an overview of their performance so far. Your child's teacher will be able to explain their results in greater detail and can outline ways to increase their scores. This is a great time to request a conference, so please contact your child's teacher or me to schedule a time.

Volunteering at the school is also a great way to get involved in your child's education. While we always need extra hands for big events and projects, even the day-to-day operation of the school benefits from parent volunteers! In the Parent Resource Workroom we have many options for helping our students and teachers. Just one hour a week helps a great deal! Contact me if you are interested in helping out!

Thank you for all you do for your child and for Graysville.
Wishing you all a happy and healthy 2020!

Mark Your Calendars!

Important Events
You Don't Want to Miss!

- January 9th – Parent Cafe
- January 10th – Report Cards go home
- January 20th – No School
- January 24th – Box Tops Due
- February 3rd @ 6 pm – PTO Meeting
- February 14th & 17th – No School
- February 21st – Box Tops Due
- March 20th – PTO Spring Auction
- March 24th – GES S.T.E.M. Night

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

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Home & School CONNECTION

Working Together for School Success

An excerpt from the January Issue

Goal setting: A recipe for success

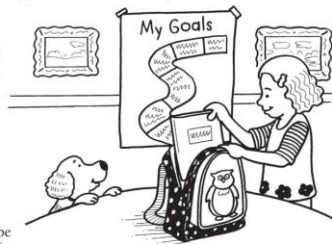
Reaching a goal involves more than just hoping and dreaming. Here's how your child can practice setting, tracking, and achieving goals—skills that will serve her well now and in the future.

Be specific

What would your youngster like to accomplish? Maybe she wants to earn higher grades or become a better gymnast. Suggest that she narrow down the goal so it's more targeted. Her goal might be "I will turn in all of my assignments on time" or "I will move up one level in gymnastics this year."

Map it out

Breaking a goal into small steps makes it feel more manageable. Your child could draw a winding road on paper, add lines to divide it into segments, and write a step in each one. Examples: "Put my planner in my



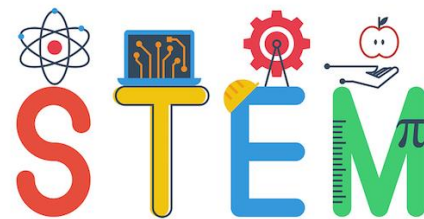
backpack when school ends" or "Do my beam routine five times in a row without falling off." She can color each step as she completes it.

Check in

Support your child in sticking to her plan. Say she falls behind on a long-term project. Together, look at her planner and find slots of time where she can catch up. Or if she has to miss gymnastics class one day, offer ways to practice at home like using a strip of duct tape as a balance beam.♥

SAVE THE DATE! GES S.T.E.M. Night

Please mark your calendars for the evening of Tuesday, March 24th for GES's Title I S.T.E.M. night. Families will have an opportunity to participate in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math related projects. We hope to see you!



Volunteer News

Volunteer Recognition

Thank you to all of our amazing GES volunteers that have offered their time and talents so far this school year. We've had many new, first time volunteers help alongside our veteran volunteers. Volunteers have assisted our students and teachers at the Book Fair, Hearing and Vision Screenings, APEX Fun Run, Fall Festival, PBIS reward movie, Santa Shop, Tiger Pride event, and in classrooms, the media center, or in the Parent Resource Workroom. These events would not have been as successful without your help!

Volunteer Opportunities

GES loves Volunteers! The following volunteer opportunities are coming up! Please contact Marissa Watson, at mwatson.ges@catoosa.k12.ga.us, if you are interested in being a part of these events or projects.

- Help with various teacher and student projects in the Parent Resource Workroom (Room 302)

The Parent Resource Workroom is open each school day from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. Marissa Watson, Parent Involvement Coordinator, is available Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm.



Please sign-up for the Title I Parent & Family Engagement Remind. On your smartphone, text @7ekdkd2 to the number 81010. I will use this throughout the year to communicate Volunteer Opportunities and Title I Events.

Title I 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!