

GES Title I Tips

A Family Resource Newsletter

Parent & Family Engagement = Student Success



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Second Semester F.A.S.T. Meeting

We are so excited to have parents back in the building! We are going to hold our Second Semester F.A.S.T. meeting in person on Tuesday, January 25, 2022. Kindergarten through 2nd grade will meet with their child's teacher in their child's classroom from 6:00-6:30 pm. 3rd through 5th grade parents will meet with their child's teachers from 6:45-7:15 pm. Please plan to attend this important meeting to discuss your child's MAP winter benchmark, and for our 3rd-5th grade parents we will be going over the Georgia Milestones Assessment. This is an excellent opportunity to meet face-to-face with your child's teacher to discuss your student's academic growth and areas that might need improvement! Childcare will be provided for current GES students. Please email Marissa Watson to reserve a spot for your child.



2ND SEMESTER F.A.S.T. MEETING - TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022

KINDERGARTEN - 2ND GRADE: 6:00-6:30 PM

3RD GRADE - 5TH GRADE: 6:45-7:15 PM

**The meeting may be rescheduled or changed to a digital meeting if C.C.I.S.D. changes their COVID protocols.*

Feedback is always greatly appreciated and will be gathered throughout the year, so please feel free to contribute at any time by contacting me or by filling out the Parent Input form located on the GES website under the Title I tab.

Mark Your Calendars

*Important Dates & Events
You Don't Want to Miss!*

- **Jan. 6** - Return to School
- **Jan. 8** - GES Night at RHS Basketball 6:00 pm
- **Jan. 17** - No School
- **Jan. 25** - In-person FAST meeting K-2nd 6:00 pm, 3rd-5th 6:45 pm

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Title I Interpreted - What are the requirements and goals for a Title I school? The Title I program is available to schools that meet federal guidelines. The primary goal is to ensure all students, particularly those who are low achieving, have the opportunity to improve academic achievement. Components of a school-wide plan are available on our website: Title I>What is Title I>Components of a School-wide Plan.

Family Engagement Focus



Parents are a child's first teacher!

School volunteer opportunities come in all shapes and sizes to fit anyone's schedule. Consider these ways you might help your student's school.

● **Contribute supplies:** Offer to save recyclables to use in the classroom. Ask the teacher what he needs—perhaps plastic bottle caps for math games or baby-food jars for snow globes. Note: If you have clothes your child has outgrown, find out whether the school nurse could use them.

● **Share a talent:** See if you can help with an after-school or evening activity. If you're a runner, you might help coach a running club. Or if you enjoy arts and crafts, volunteer to make backdrops for school events.



GES Teachers are highly qualified. Parents have the right to request teacher and paraprofessional qualifications. For more information, please contact the school office.

Parent Resource Library



Parenting resources are available to be sent home from our Parent Resource Library. The list of resources can be found on the GES website, under the Title I tab or available to take home from the Parent Resource Workroom (room 302). Please contact Marissa Watson if you would like more information.

Volunteer News

Volunteer Opportunities

Parent & Family Volunteers are now allowed back in the building! Please contact Marissa Watson at mwatson.ges@catoosa.k12.ga.us if you are interested in becoming a parent volunteer.

Volunteers Needed:
GES Book Fair: February 10th-17th

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Volunteer Appreciation

Thank you to the following parents for volunteering at our APEX reward day.

Jessica Downey

Jennifer Crawford

Vicki Irwin

The Price Family

Laura Brooks

Jeffery Gallaher

Tanya Diaz

Rachel Ryan

We love our GES volunteers!

For the 2021-22 school year, GES received \$138,990 in Title I funds. 67% of these funds are spent on salary for our Academic Coach. 20% of these funds are spent on the salary for our Parent Involvement Coordinator and for Parent Resource Workroom supplies. 13% of these funds are used to purchase technology resources for our students. We have purchased leases for the following computer programs: IXL ELA, IXL Math, Flocabulary, Dreambox, Class Kick, & Reading Eggs. If you would like to provide input or have any questions on how Title I funds are being spent, please feel free to contact our Principal, Mrs. Sholl, or our Parent Involvement Coordinator, Marissa Watson.