

# GES Title I Tips

## A Family Resource Newsletter

Parent & Family Engagement = Student Success



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## Spring with GES Title I

### Planning Your Parent Engagement in the Spring Semester

It is hard to believe this school year is already half-way over! Thank you all for being so adaptable and partnering with GES Title I to further engage in your child's education. Here are the upcoming Title I events for this spring. Please include them in your calendars!

#### Title I Spring Survey - February 2022

The Title I Spring Survey will be distributed by February 11th via School Messenger Text. This survey will once again be online for quick and easy completion. Paper copies will be available upon request. Please take a moment to complete this VERY important survey. The feedback and input we receive will guide us in planning the 2022-2023 school year. **\*\*Students who have a completed survey will receive a special treat!\*\***

#### Spring PAC Meeting - April 2022

Our Spring Parent Advisory Council meeting will be held April 13th. As this meeting approaches, we will decide if holding it in-person or online will be most beneficial. At this meeting we will discuss the results from the Spring Survey, review and approve the 2022-2023 GES Parent & Family Engagement Policy, and collect input for the following school year. Please plan to take part in this meeting and share your feedback!

Happy Spring,  
Marissa Watson, PIC

**Thank you to all the families who took part in the online 2nd Semester F.A.S.T. Meeting! We had record participation. Your flexibility and understanding with regard to the meeting change was greatly appreciated!**

*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!*

- Feb. 18 - NO School
- Feb. 21-22 - NO School
- Mar. 11 & 14 - NO School
- Mar. 25-27 - GES PTO Spring Online Auction

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**Title I Interpreted - What about testing?** GES Students take several different assessments throughout the year to monitor their progress. All GES students take the MAP benchmark in Fall, Winter, and Spring. The Georgia Milestone assessment is administered to 3rd-5th graders in April. Our Kindergarteners are assessed throughout the year using the GKIDS assessment. Information on all of these assessments is available on our school website: <http://ges.catoosa.k12.ga.us> under the Title I>Parent and Family Resources> Student Assessments tab.

## Family Engagement Focus



*Parents are a child's first teacher!*

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

### A Plan for Problem Solving

When your child faces a problem, having a solid plan can help him figure out how to solve it. So whether they have had a disagreement with a friend or have fallen behind on their school-work, suggest they follow the plan below.

1. **Identify the problem:** Let them write out what is wrong. For example, "Sam doesn't like soccer but that is what I like to play at recess."
2. **Imagine an ideal solution:** What is the best case scenario. "They can still play soccer and remain friends with Sam."
3. **Figure out alternative solutions:** Encourage them to brainstorm solutions. "Offer to play with Sam every other day or find something they both like."
4. **Choose a solution:** Your child can pick the solution they like best or the one that would most likely work.
5. **Evaluate:** Have them try out the chosen solution and ask how it went. If it didn't work, then have them consider another alternative from the list.



## 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](mailto: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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