



Title I Connections

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Parent Resource Newsletter

Parent Tips for School Success Parent ENGAGEMENT = School Success!

Parent QUIZ?

“Absences Add Up!”

Are you making attendance a priority?

Your child may be dreaming of summer break, but they still have a lot of learning left to do! It's critical that they attend school regularly through the last day. Are you making it clear that attendance matters? Answer YES or No below:

1. Do you affirm to your child that attending school is a big responsibility?
2. Do you avoid taking your child out of school unless they are ill or in an emergency?
3. Do you let your child know that you won't tolerate skipping school?
4. Do you establish routines to help your child get to school on time, like setting an alarm?
5. Do you work with the school to make sure you are notified if your child misses classes or school days?

How well are you doing? More YES answers mean you are prioritizing school attendance. For each NO, try that idea!

Websites to Help Your Child Prepare for PSSA's?

<https://www.time4learning.com/testprep/pennsylvania-standardized-test-prep/> - A snapshot of what PSSA's are about and how to prepare.

<https://www.readingrockets.org/article/parents-guide-standardized-testing> - A parent's guide to understanding standardized testing.

<https://learn.khanacademy.org/> - Khan Academy is a free personalized resource for all ages tackling math, science, history, economics, and more.

<https://www.mathplayground.com/> - More than 425 math games, logic puzzles, and brain workouts for students to practice their math skills.

<https://reading.ecb.org/index.html> - Into the Book is a free reading comprehension site that focuses on reading strategies teachers work on everyday.

What Parents Can Do: Be involved!

**Please check your child's school calendar for specific dates for events.*

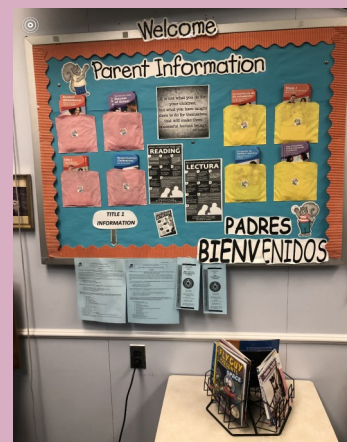
- April 14th—Elementary In Service
- April 15th—Secondary In Service
- April 19th—Report cards distributed
 - PSSA TESTING WINDOW

April 19th—May 4th ELA/Math/Science

Title I News for Parents

Did you know our schools have a
Parent Resource Center?

Find activities, books and brochures for your student in our School Parent Resource Center. The center is designed to provide educational resources for parents/guardians to help your student succeed academically. The best part is resources are FREE! You can find the Parent Resource Center located in the main entrance of your child's school as well as with your school's Parent Liaison. If you would like to check it out, please call your child's school and ask for the Title I Parent Liaison.

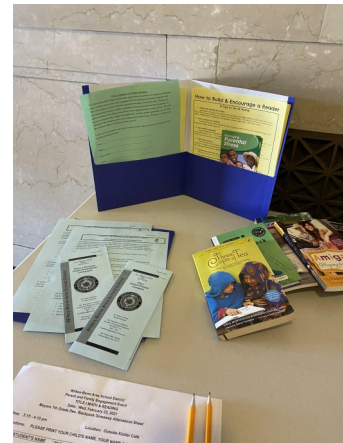
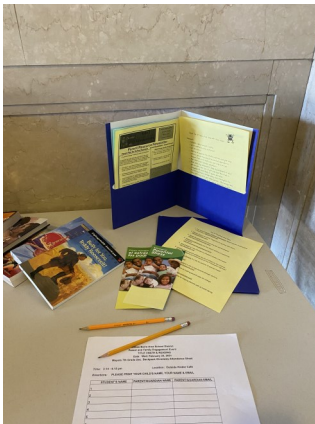




Wolfpack at Meyers Campus Parent & Family Engagement Event!



Wolfpack at Meyers Campus held a Title I Parent and Family Engagement Event outside of Kistler Elementary School in conjunction with WBASD & CEO Food Distribution on Wednesday, February 24, 2021. Title I Parent Liaison/teacher Brenda Cavallari and Title I Math teacher Maureen McLaughlin, along with Meyers principals Robert Watkins and Michael Grebeck gave out backpacks filled with notebooks, binders, pencils and various supplies for 7th grade students. A variety of novels were also available for families to choose from. Parents and guardians were given a folder containing Title I information such as: School compacts, Parent & Family Engagement Policy, Title I newsletter, Parent Advisory council forms, Channing Bete pamphlets on “parental stress”, and parent tips for websites that focus on how to encourage reading. A survey has been emailed to all families that attended to get feedback on ideas for future events that will get our families involved.



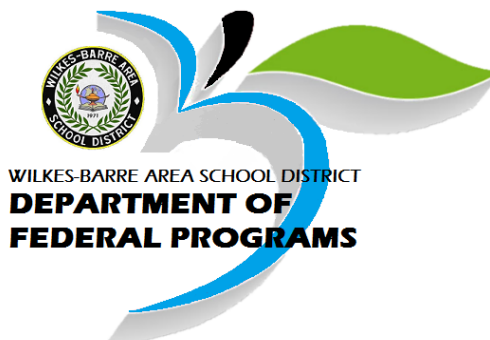
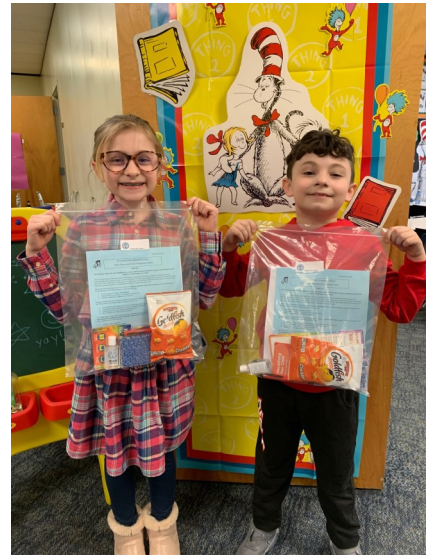
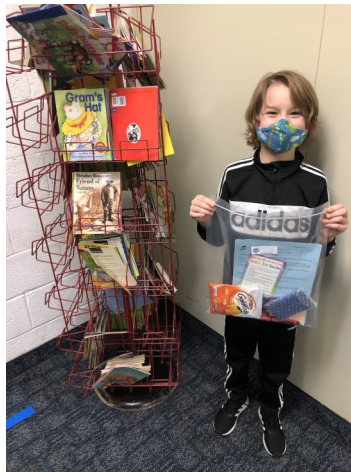
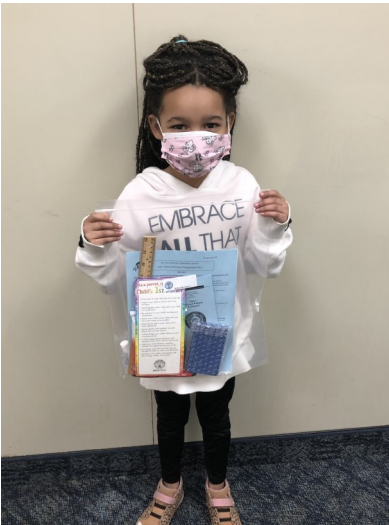
Title I Teachers Host Parent-Teacher Conference Event!

Kistler Elementary School hosted Parent-Teacher Conferences on March 16, 2021. Title I Parent Liaison Keli Shanahan along with other Title I Math & Reading teachers were able to meet with parents virtually to discuss student academic learning and ways they can work together to support and improve their child's success.

Parents were able to join the Kistler Title I Google Classroom where they viewed the School Compact, Parent & Family Engagement policy, WBASD Federal Programs PowerPoint, Channing Bete brochures on "Parent-Teacher Conference Tips for Success" in English and Spanish, Parent Advisory Forms, and fill out the parent survey.

The next day in school, students of those parents were happy to receive WBASD Federal Programs bags. These bags were filled with a stylus, hand sanitizer, Channing Bete flier, Kistler school compact, Kistler Parent & Family engagement policy, snacks, and a calculator.

Students in the pictures are from left: Naima Tobin, Nathan Torna, Brielle Fisher, Levi McDonough





“Dodson Has the Scoop on Literacy!”



Kindergarten students at Dodson Elementary School were recently recognized for their reading and literacy accomplishments in the Imagine Learning & Literacy Program which is part of the WBASD K, 1, & 2 Literacy Program.

Emma Hadvance from K-1 and Malina Otero from K-3 received a certificate of accomplishment for their hard work. Mr. Caprari, Reading Specialist/Literacy Leader along with Mr. Mendola, Principal, Mrs. Atherton, K-2 District Literacy Coordinator, and Kindergarten Teachers Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Levandowski shared in the celebration.

