



Title I Connections

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School District
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Parent Resource Newsletter

Parent Tips for School Success

Helping your child succeed in School

How to Increase Your Parent & Family Engagement for the New Year!

When we make our New Year's Resolutions, we often put health, finances, or our career at the top of the list. Consider making **PARENT ENGAGEMENT** part of your resolutions this year. Here are simple ways to increase your engagement in your child's education:

- Discuss with your child their school day and homework daily. Show your child that you think homework is important!
- Attend a Parent & Family Engagement workshop hosted by the school. All schools in the Wilkes-Barre Area School District host Math and Reading workshops for parents on topics varying from academic standards to literacy skills. Contact your school's parent liaison for more information.
- Incorporate learning into everyday activities such as grocery shopping or riding in the car.
- Know what your child is learning. Ask your child what he/she does in school each day. If the response you receive is "nothing", ask specific questions about each class. Get in touch with your child's teachers regularly to stay informed.
- Give your input on a Parent Survey so we can provide additional support and resources to assist you helping your child.
- Join our Parent Advisory Council at your child's school.



Feel free to visit our WBASD Federal Programs Website by scanning the QR Code above. We would love your input!

What Parents Can Do: Be involved!

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

- **January 3** — School reopens
- **Elementary In-Service** —Jan. 11th
- **Middle School In-Service**—Jan. 12th
- **Secondary In-Service**—Jan. 13th
- **Martin Luther King Day**—Jan. 17th

SCHOOL CLOSED

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Parent Resource Center

Check out these Math & Reading Websites for child for the New Year!

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/>

<https://pbskids.org/>

<https://www.timeforkids.com/>

<https://www.starfall.com/h/>

<https://sciencebob.com/>

<https://www.funbrain.com/>

<http://www.nickjr.com/>

<https://www.learninggamesforkids.com/>

<https://www.almanac.com/kids>

<https://www.nasa.gov/kidsclub/index.html>

<https://sdzwildlifeexplorers.org/>



Wilkes-Barre Area School District



Parent Resource Center (PRC)

Did you know that our 5 Elementary Schools and 2 Middle Schools have Parent Resource Centers? Find hands on activities, books, and brochures for your student in the Parent Resource Center. The center is designed to provide educational resources for parents 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. If you would like more information or want to make an appointment, please contact your school's Parent Liaison.

Kistler Elementary School—Keli Shanahan 570-826-7230

Dodson at Mackin Elementary School—Michael Caprari 570-235-6894

Dan Flood Elementary School—Mary Jo Petlock 570-826-7245

Heights Elementary School—Kristin Lauivara—570-826-7256

Solomon Plains Elementary School—Lorrie Gardner—570-826-7222

G.A.R. Memorial Middle School—Brenda Cavalari—570-826-7165

Solomon Plains Middle School—Edward Rosengrant—570-826-7224



HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY PARENT RESOURCE CENTER



Check out our website for more resources! www.wbasd.k12.pa.us/federalprograms.aspx

G.A.R. MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL HOLDS “TUNNEL OF CHEER”

PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT EVENT

G.A.R Memorial Middle School invited 6th, 7th & 8th grade families & students to drive through a “Tunnel of Cheer” on Thursday, December 16, 2021. The Title I sponsored event included many Title I school resources for families and goal setting resources to help students. The students recently had an assembly expressing the importance of having goals. Families who participated in the tunnel stopped to see holiday decorations, hear music, see Mrs. Myers, Mr. McLaughlin & many of their teachers. Goodie bags were given out to all the students.



**DODSON ELEMENTARY AT MACKIN HOLDS
PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT HOLIDAY EVENT**

Dodson Elementary at Mackin held its annual Holiday Title I Parent and Family Engagement Event on Wednesday, December 15, 2021. Parents and students participated in Reading and Math activities and had the opportunity to visit Santa. The Title I Parent Compact and Parent and Family Engagement Policy were shared. Parents were able to visit the Title I Parent Resource Center. Mr. Michael Caprari, Title I Reading Coach and Parent Liaison planned and coordinated the event.

