

## Title I

## **Connections**

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## **Parent Resource Newsletter**

## Parent Tips for School Success

## Helping your child succeed in School

#### What Parents Can Do: Be involved!

## Have a Great Summer!

#### Tips for Summer Reading & Math

Your child has gained many reading & math skills that will still need to be practiced over the summer to ensure that they continue to grow as learners! Enjoy these tips:

- \*Keep books in the car and make sure a good book gets tucked into sports bags & backpack.
- \*Get your child his/her own library card.
- \*Connect reading with other summer activities. For example, read books about places you will go over the summer or things you will be doing.
- \*"What's for Lunch?" Estimate the cost of lunch or dinner at your favorite restaurant by rounding the cost of each item then finding the approximate cost.
- \*"And the Winner Is?" Find the batting averages or other statistics in the sports section of a newspaper and add or subtract the statistics. Identify the use of decimals in sporting events.
- \*"Everyday ways to learn Math": Host a lemonade stand, build a birdhouse, plant a garden, cook and bake, and find math on a nature walk.

## Website/App of the Month

Whyville— middle school age— Whyville helps middle schoolers learn about history, science, journalism, civics, and economics through exploration and communications.

Khan Academy Kids App— Combines math, reading, drawing and storytelling in thousands of activities for Pre K and Kindergarten age children.

- \*Please check you child's school calendar for specific dates for events.
- June 3rd—last full day!
- June 6th—10th student half days
- June 10th—Last student day!
- June 10th—High School graduation



## Title I News

### \*\*Parent-Teacher Center\*\*

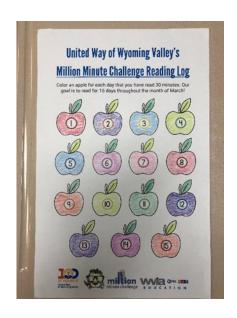
#### **SUMMER MATERIALS**

\*Please stop by and see what summer reading novels and activities we have for your child! There are many free resources to choose from and take home for the summer. Please contact your school's Parents & Family Liaison for help!

\*Parents are an Important Part of the Title I Team!

#### \*BE ACTIVE IN YOUR TITLE I PROGRAM BY:

- Joining your child's school Parent Advisory Council
- Attend a Title I Math & Reading Workshop in your school
- Give us your feedback on a Parent Survey so we can find out how to service your child better!



# UNITED WAY MILLION MINUTE CHALLENGE WINNER CHOSEN AT SOLOMON-PLAINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Many classes from Solomon-Plains Elementary School took place in Wyoming Valley's largest reading challenge during the month of March. Students were asked to read an extra 30 minutes a day for 15 days in March. Our school, along with many others in the district, helped the United Way to reach their goal of reading One Million Minutes! Mrs. Parry's class was randomly selected as a winner to acknowledge their participation. Students were rewarded with a coupon to receive a free ice cream cone from McDonalds. Thank You United Way!! Keep on Reading!

#### RIF PROGRAM AT SOLOMON-PLAINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Through out the month of March 2022, Solomon-Plains Elementary students participated in the Reading is Fundamental Program. This program is sponsored by UGI and gives first grade students the opportunity to view and select some great literature pieces. There is a wide variety of fiction, non-fiction, realistic fiction, poetry books and more. Once the students choose their book, they are able to take it home and keep it for their own personal library. Title I Coach Lorrie Gardner, along with the classroom teacher assisted the students with their book selections. The kids enjoyed searching for the perfect book and can't wait to do it again. This program provides a wonderful opportunity of putting books in the hands of children. Thank You to our sponsor UGI!



Mrs. Hochreiter's First Grade Class



Mrs. Poplawski's First Grade Class



Mrs. Grundowski's First Grade Class



Mrs. Answini's First Grade



Mrs. Tona's First Grade Class

until every child reads

Is Fundamental



### DODSON ELEMENTARY AT MACKIN SCHOOL



## **HOLDS TITLE I PARENT EVENT!**

Dodson Elementary at Mackin School recently held a Title I Parent and Family Engagement event on Saturday, April 9th, 2022. Reading and Math resources were shared and reviewed. Parents received the Title I Compact as well as the Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy. Mr. Caprari, Title I Literacy Coach and Parent Liaison reviewed Title I information with parents as well as PSSA test results and school assessment data. PA academic standards were reviewed and shared with parents. Parents had the opportunity to visit the Title I Resource Center and discuss what they can do to improve academic achievement with their child.

















# Title I Reading Coach/Parent Liaison Receives Award from the United Way of Wyoming Valley!

Congratulation to Keli Shanahan, Title I Coach/Parent Liaison at Kistler Elementary School for recently receiving the 20th Anniversary Sarah & Anthony F. Kane, Jr. Award. This award was presented to Keli for going "above and beyond" to ensure the success of the United Way reading programs at Kistler Elementary School. CONGRATULATIONS KELI!







# KISTLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HOLDS TITLE I MULTICULTURAL PARENT EVENT!

On Thursday, May 19th, 2022 Kistler Elementary School held a Multicultural Event for their students and families. Title I teachers and community volunteers were invited to the school to share elements of their culture or ethnicity with other members of the school community through storytelling, food, dance, arts and many other things that make cultures unique!















# Dan Flood Elementary School Holds Title I Family Math & Science Night!



On Wednesday, May 25, 2022 Dan Flood Elementary School held a Title I Family Math and Science Night for 4th Grade students. The students and their families had to create a Puffer Mobile out of straws, life-savers, paperclips, tape, and paper. After the cars were built, there was a competition to see whose car moved the farthest. First place winner was Hailey Tapia, second place Joshua Panetto, and third place was Giovanny Tavarez. A special thank you to Mr. Michael Corcoran K-12 Science and K-5 Math Supervisor who facilitated the activity. It was a great night to see families working together.. Thank you to all who attended!



















### **G.A.R.** Memorial Middle School Holds

## **RAISE AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING PROGRAM!**

On Thursday, May 12, 2022 G.A.R. Memorial Middle School held their "Student Celebration" event to honor the students who attended the RAISE after school tutoring program. Students in grades 6th, 7th and 8th enjoyed playing math and reading games outside and were honored for their academic achievement and dedication to the program!















## Solomon-Plains Middle Schools Holds Title I Math & Reading Event

Carnival games, food, and prizes was the theme at the Solomon-Plains Middle School Title I Reading and Math Workshop on April 12th, 2022. Students participated in a variety of activities and games which included reading passages and answering questions to get a prize, solving math problems in the Duck Pond, or using probability to figure how many balloons had lollipops in them. Each student was a winner for every game that they played! Students received tickets for each game that they completed which they used for the raffle at the end of the carnival. Students entered to win the Grand Prize of an Apple iPad. Other prizes included 2 Coach Wristlets, Camping Tent, Summer Basket, and Movie Night Basket. Special thanks to Title I Math Teacher/Parent Liaison Mr. Rosengrant and Title I Reading Teacher Mrs. McLaughlin for coordinating the event. Also on the planning committee was Mrs. Ney, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Engle, Mrs. Schwab, Miss Nilon, Mr. Buzinkai, Mrs. Heffron, and Mrs. DeMellier for their assistance throughout the event.













