



# Title I Connections

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## Parent Resource Newsletter

### Parent Tips for School Success

### Helping your child succeed in School

#### *PARENT TIPS: Homework*

##### *Purposes of Homework*

Knowing about homework assignments can involve parents in the schooling process in a positive way and accelerate a child's learning. It can give parents firsthand information about what students are learning and how well their child is doing in school. It can also give them an opportunity to express supportive attitudes about the value of success in school. Talking with teachers about homework can help parents understand what is expected of students and generally improve communication between the family and the school. If a child is having difficulty with homework, parents should become involved by discussing the issue with the teacher and asking how they might help.

- **Practice:** Assignments are made to increase speed, obtain mastery, or maintain skills. Examples include reviewing multiplication tables, studying spelling words, or practicing poetry.
- **Preparation:** Assignments are made to prepare students for future classroom activities. Students, for example, might be asked to read two chapters on a social studies topic and be prepared to participate in a class debate.
- **Extension:** Assignments are made to extend and enrich a student's classroom learning. Students would be asked to apply knowledge and skills learned during class to related project-like activities.

##### *Website of the Month*

[parents.nea.org](http://parents.nea.org)—this website is provided for parents by the NEA (National Education Association) to help ensure children receive the best possible education in our public schools.

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

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

*Progress reports posted—Oct. 15th*

*\*In-Service 1/2 day Schedule\**

- *Elementary*—October 29
- *Solomon & GAR Middle School*—Oct. 28
- *Secondary*—October 26



### Title I News

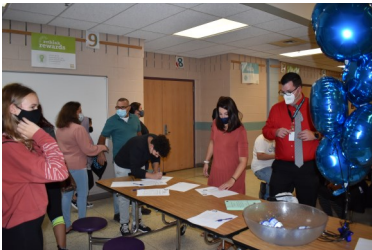
#### Parent-Teacher Conferences

The Title I teachers were excited to meet you and share information about your child's progress, and learning from you what we can provide to continue to support learning in school and at home. The 2021-22 School Compact, which was developed with input from families, was shared during conferences. The Compact outlines how the school staff, students and families will work together to support student success. If you were not able to have a conference and would like one, please contact your child's school and ask to meet the Title I Parent & Family Engagement Liaison to help. While at your child's school, please visit the Parent Resource Center to take home fun learning resources for families in both reading & math.

- *Parent Advisory Council forms will be available.*

## SOLOMON-PLAINS MIDDLE SCHOOL HOLDS OPEN HOUSE

Solomon—Plains Middle School recently held an Open House to welcome families of 6th, 7th & 8th grade students to the new 2021-22 school year! Title I Math Teacher/Parent Liaison Mr. Ed Rosengrant and Title I Reading Teacher Mrs. Maureen McLaughlin set the stage for a successful school year by providing information to families about the Title I program and their right to be involved in their child's education. School Compacts, Parent & Family Engagement Policies, Channing Bete pamphlets and Math & Reading information were discussed as well as Parent Advisory Council forms were available.



## BOYD DODSON AT MACKIN HOLDS TITLE I BOOK FAIR

Title I Reading Teacher/Parent Liaison Mr. Michael Caprari recently held a Parent & Family Engagement Scholastic Book Fair Event open to students and families. This yearly event helps to build excitement in the school, expand school, classroom and home libraries, and most importantly develop a love for reading within their students! Title I information was available for families as well as school compacts, parent & family engagement policies and Parent Advisory Council forms!

