

**WAYS TO HELP YOUR
CHILDREN SUCCEED AT
SCHOOL**

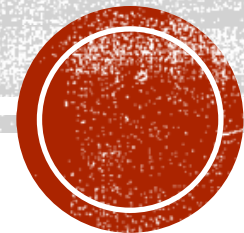
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WELCOME
MISSION AND VISION
STUDENT CALENDAR
PURPOSE OF THE MEETING
WHAT IS TITLE 1
HOW TITLE-1 WORKS
UPCOMING PARENT TRAININGS
DEVELOPING A PARTNERSHIP
ACADEMIC SUPPORT
GET INVOLVED
SUPPORT AT HOME LEARNING
CONCLUSION & SURVEY

Agenda



WELCOME!

THANKS MOM. THANKS DAD

Thanks Mom, Thanks Dad

Thank you, Mom.

Thank you, Dad.

Three small words.

So much to add.

For all your love

and your support

a million words

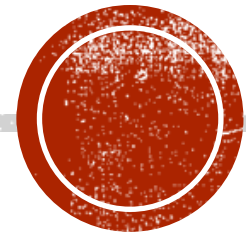
would be too short.

The words, "I love you"

seem too few

to express the love

I have for you.





- **Downtown Elementary will provide an educational foundation that is transferable to real-life, enabling students to be productive learners who excel academically and socially.**
- **Our vision is to provide a multi-faceted educational foundation that inspires children to pursue and achieve their fullest potential in efforts to compete globally in the 21st century.**
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2021-22 Student Calendar



2021

First Semester-83 days

AUGUST

9 First Day for Students | 1st 9 Weeks Begins

SEPTEMBER

6 Labor Day (Students Out)
9 Parent Teacher Conferences (4-7 p.m.)

OCTOBER

8 1st 9 Weeks Ends
11-15 Fall Break (Students Out)
18 2nd 9 Weeks Begins (Students Return)

NOVEMBER

11 Veterans Day (Students Out)
22-26 Thanksgiving (Students Out)

DECEMBER

15-17 1st Semester Exams
17 1st Semester Ends | 2nd Nine Weeks Ends
20-31 Winter Break (Students Out)

JULY 2021

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2022

Second Semester-97 days

JANUARY

3 3rd Nine Weeks Begins (Students Return)
17 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day (Students Out)

FEBRUARY

15 Parent Teacher Conferences (4-7 p.m.)
21 Presidents Day
Professional Development Day (Students Out)

MARCH

11 3rd Nine Weeks Ends
14-18 Spring Break (Students Out)
21 Students Return | 4th 9 Weeks Begins

APRIL

15 Spring Break II | Good Friday (Students Out)

MAY

25-27 2nd Semester Exams
27 Last Day of School | 4th 9 Weeks Ends

JUNE

JANUARY 2022

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MARCH 2022

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LEGEND: ■ 1st Day of School Students ■ Students Out (Full Day) ■ Summer Vacation ★ Parent Conferences ■ Start of Quarter ■ End of Quarter ■ Semester Exams

**Federal guidelines
require Title I
schools hold Parent
Meetings/Trainings to
explain and discuss
the Title I school wide
programs and
requirements**

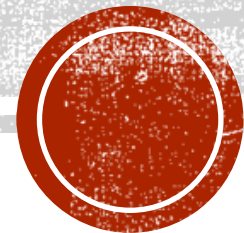


TITLE I IS THE LARGEST FEDERAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR OUR NATION'S SCHOOLS.

THE GOAL OF TITLE I IS A HIGHER QUALITY OF EDUCATION FOR EVERY CHILD.

THE PROGRAM SERVES MILLIONS OF CHILDREN IN ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS EACH YEAR.

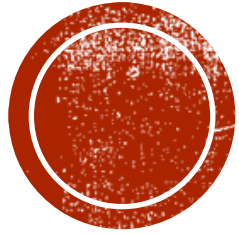
Title I



HOW TITLE I WORKS

- **The federal government provides funding to states based on Census data each year for Title I**
- **The Tennessee Department of Education sends the money to the local school districts.**
- **The school district identifies eligible schools (based on Free and Reduced lunch percentages) and provides Title I funds.**
- **All Title I schools' in SCS implement a schoolwide program**

ENGAGEMENT AND INCENTIVES STRATEGIES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2021 @ 4:30 P.M.



WRITING: LET'S TALK
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2021 @ 4:30 P.M.

Upcoming Parent Trainings

PARENTS DID YOU KNOW?

As a parent, you are your child's first and most important teacher. When parents and families are involved in their children's schools, the children do better and have better feelings about going to school. In fact, many studies show that what the family does is more important to a child's school success than how much money the family makes or how much education the parents have. There are many ways that parents can support their children's learning at home and throughout the school year. Here are some ideas to get you started!



DEVELOP A PARTNERSHIP WITH YOUR CHILD'S TEACHERS AND SCHOOL STAFF

Meet your child's teacher. As soon as the school year starts, try to find a way to meet your child's teacher. Let the teacher know you want to help your child learn. Make it clear that you want the teacher to contact you if any problems develop with your child. Talk with your child's teacher offers some great tips for developing a partnership with your child's teacher.

Get to know who's who at your child's school. There are many people at your child's school who are there to help your child learn, grow socially and emotionally, and navigate the school environment. Each school so find out all you can about the culture and climate.



- **Attend parent-teacher conferences and keep in touch with your child's teacher.** Schools usually have one or two parent-teacher conferences each year. You can bring a friend to interpret for you or ask the school to provide an interpreter. You can also ask to meet with your child's teacher any time during the year. If you have a concern and can't meet face-to-face, send the teacher a short note or set up a time to talk on the phone. For more ideas about how to prepare for parent-teacher conferences
- **Find out how your child is doing.** Ask the teacher how well your child is doing in class compared to other students. If your child is not keeping up, especially when it comes to reading, ask what you or the school can do to help. It's important to act early before your child gets too far behind. Also be sure to review your child's report card each time it comes out

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD ACADEMICALLY



MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CHILD GETS HOMEWORK DONE



- Let your child know that you think education is important and that homework needs to be done each day. You can help your child with homework by setting aside a special place to study, establishing a regular time for homework, and removing distractions such as the television and social phone calls during homework time.
- If you are reluctant to help your child with homework because you feel that you don't know the subject well enough, you can help by showing that you are interested, helping your child get organized, providing the necessary materials, asking your child about daily assignments, monitoring work to make sure that it is completed, and praising all of your child's efforts. Remember that doing your child's homework for him/her won't help him in the long run. If it is difficult for you to help your child with homework or school projects, see if you can find someone else who can help. Contact the school, tutoring groups, after school programs, churches, and libraries.



HELP YOUR CHILD PREPARE FOR TESTS

Tests play an important role in determining a student's grade. Your child may also take one or more standardized tests during the school year, and your child's teacher may spend class time on test preparation throughout the year. As a parent, there are a number of ways that you can support your child before and after taking a standardized test, as well as a number of ways you can support your child's learning habits on a daily basis that will help her be more prepared when it's time to be tested.

Give your child a chance to practice : Make sure your child is prepared : Remain Positive : Review the test with your child.



GET INVOLVED WITH YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL

- **Learn what the school offers.** Read the information the school sends home, and ask to receive information in your native language if necessary. Talk to other parents to find out what programs the school offers. Maybe there's a music program, after-school activity, sports team, or tutoring program your child would enjoy. Remember to keep track of events throughout the school year.
- **Join your school's parent-teacher organization.** Teachers appreciate it when parents help out at the school! There are many ways you can contribute. You can volunteer or make food for a school event. If you work during the day, you can attend "parents' night" activities or your child's performances. At most schools, a group of parents meets regularly to talk about the school. This group is usually called the PTA or PTO. The meetings give you a good chance to talk with other parents and to work together to improve the school.



ASK THE RIGHT QUESTIONS.

If something concerns you about your child's learning or behavior, ask the teacher or principal about it and seek their advice. Your questions may be like these — What specific problem is my child having with reading? What can I do to help my child with this problem? How can I stop that bully from picking on my son? How can I get my child to do homework? What is my child reading level?



SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING AT HOME

- **Demonstrate a positive attitude about education to your children.** What we say and do in our daily lives can help them to develop positive attitudes toward school and learning and to build confidence in themselves as learners. Showing our children that we both value education and use it in our daily lives provides them with powerful models and contributes greatly to their success in school. In addition, by showing interest in their children's education, parents and families can spark enthusiasm in them and lead them to a very important understanding-that learning can be enjoyable as well as rewarding and is well worth the effort required.
- **Monitor your child's television, video game, and Internet use.** American children on average spend far more time watching TV, playing video games and using the Internet than they do completing homework or other school-related activities.
- **Encourage your child to read.** Helping your child become a reader is the single most important thing that you can do to help the child to succeed in school-and in life. The importance of reading simply can't be overstated. Reading helps children in all school subjects. More important, it is the key to lifelong learning.



- Talking and listening play major roles in children's school success. It's through hearing parents and family members talk and through responding to that talk that young children begin to pick up the language skills they will need if they are to do well. For example, children who don't hear a lot of talk and who aren't encouraged to talk themselves often have problems learning to read, which can lead to other school problems. In addition, children who haven't learned to listen carefully often have trouble following directions and paying attention in class. It's also important for you to show your child that you're interested in what he/she has to say. Talking with your child can give you some great ideas for future conversation and stimulates language development.
- Children need active learning as well as quiet learning such as reading and doing homework. Active learning involves asking and answering questions, solving problems and exploring interests. Active learning also can take place when your child plays sports, spends time with friends, acts in a school play, plays a musical instrument or visits museums and bookstores. To promote active learning, listen to your child's ideas and respond to them. Let him jump in with questions and opinions when you read books together. When you encourage this type of give-and-take at home, your child's participation and interest in school is likely to increase.

TALK WITH YOUR CHILD AND ENCOURAGE ACTIVE LEARNING



**ENCOURAGE YOUR
CHILD TO BE
RESPONSIBLE, WORK
INDEPENDENTLY
AND USE THE
LIBRARY**

- Taking responsibility and working independently are important qualities for school success. You can help your child to develop these qualities by establish reasonable rules that you enforce consistently, making it clear to your child that he/she has to take responsibility for what he/she does, both at home and at school, showing your child how to break a job down into small steps, and monitor what your child does after school, in the evenings and on weekends. If you can't be there when your child gets home, give him/her the responsibility of checking in with you by phone to discuss his/her plans.
- Libraries are places of learning and discovery for everyone. Helping your child find out about libraries will set him/her on the road to being an independent learner. Remember that libraries also offer a quiet place for students to complete homework, and are often open in the evening.





CONCLUSION & SURVEY

