



# TITLE I SUMTER COUNTY SCHOOLS DISTRICT NEWS

## COMING NEXT MONTH!

SCS will invite you to their Title I Parent Input Meeting in February. As a full partner with SCS, you have a voice in the decision making and carry out of family engagement activities. In order to strengthen academic achievement, we will seek your input on the following:

### Parent and Family Engagement Plan:

Sharing the power through joint decision making and advocating of every child. What would you like to see added to the Parent and Family Engagement Plan? You will read over 2020/2021 plan and make revisions if necessary for 2021/2022.

**School Compacts:** The School-Parent Compact is an agreement signed at the start of each school year by the student, parent, and teacher/admin. What would you like students, parents & teachers agree to do to ensure student success in SY 2021/2022? You will review this year's compact and make revisions if necessary for 2021/2022

### Building Capacity- Staff Training:

What professional training topics could teachers and other school leaders attend that will educate and train on how to best develop partnerships with families to improve student achievement?

**1% set-aside funds:** How would you like to see family engagement carry-over funds applied in 2021-2022?

## SUMTER COUNTY SCHOOLS *Keeping the Staff and Students Safe Through the Continuance of Virtual Learning*

As we come to the close of the 2<sup>nd</sup> nine weeks and begin third semester, the board of education voted in December to further reduce any risk as it relates to the pandemic by continuing on the virtual quest that we have been on since March. With the help of committed educators, dedicated parents, and students who hold themselves accountable for logging on regularly and completing assignments, we have seen great partnerships created and success among so many of our students. It is our hopes that as parents, guardians, and students, you continue to stay engaged and plugged into lessons being taught by the teacher.



### Virtual Parent Literacy Workshop

Join us for a reading arcade full of literacy games, tips, tools, strategies and tons of resources that you can use at home to increase your child's reading skills. Each school will post their virtual workshop on their school and face book page. You and your student don't want to miss this!

SCPS & SCES- January 21<sup>st</sup> @ 6:00 P.M.

SCIS & SCMS - January 20 @ 6:00 P.M.

ASNGA-ASHS- January 26 @ 5:30 P.M.

### THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING! 180 DAYS OF READING AND MATH



Title I family engagement funds were used to purchase activity workbooks for all K-6 grade students. The supplemental resources contain 180 short practice activities that correlate with key standards taught in the classroom. Parents were asked to pick up their child's book prior to the winter break and use them to practice building their reading and math skills at home. If you did not pick up your child's free resource workbook, please contact his/her homeroom teacher and schedule a pickup time.

## ONE STOP MONITORING SHOP!

The Georgia Statewide Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) Parent Portal is an online tool that shows your child's historical academic data. Use this site to monitor your child's performance measures, attendance, testing data, and career pathway. Also, included on the SLDS site is access to over 40,000 digital resources you can use with your child at home to support academic success. Best of all, there's no need for additional logins because SLDS is located on your parent portal. To access SLDS

- Log onto your parent portal on the school or district website
- Click "More" on the left side of page
- Click on SLDS
- If you have more than one child, use the dropdown bar beside the name section and choose the student you wish to monitor.



## PARENT TIPS AIMED TO HELP KEEP STUDENTS ON THE RIGHT TRACK FOR THE THIRD NINE WEEKS

- ❖ Talk to your child regularly about his/her grades
- ❖ Set expectations high for the next 4 1/2 weeks and discuss them
- ❖ Make sure he or she logs into class regularly to avoid missed assignments and tests
- ❖ Take advantage of school and online resources
- ❖ Attend virtual parent workshops and use the tools taught to help your child at home.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Report Cards

Log into Infinite Campus Parent Portal on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 to retrieve your child's report card. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

### School Closed

Sumter County Schools will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday January 18, 2021. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup>.

## ESOL VIRTUAL Parent Workshop (For Non-English Speaking Families)

**When: Jan. 12, 2021  
Time: 6:00 p.m.  
District and Schools Facebook Page**

### Topics

- How to prepare for the ACCESS test?
- How to interpret ACCESS test scores?

**ACCESS** is a test that's given to all K-12 ESOL students. The test is administered to measure student's progress in learning the English Language. Please attend this virtual meeting to gain pertinent information on how you can help prepare your child for this test which will be administered starting in February.