

Parent Information and Participation:

Friendsville Elementary School invites you to learn about Title I and to give input on:

- Our family Engagement Plan
- Title I Budget
- School Parent Compact

Our plan is jointly developed and distributed to all families. There are many opportunities for volunteering and to participate on decision making teams within our School. You are invited to these meetings to provide input into how our Title I funds are utilized.

Parents' Rights

Our goal is to include parents in School decisions and develop parent leaders.

Parents are invited to attend parent meetings to discuss and as a parent, you have the right to:

- Review the Garrett County Complaint Policy
- Review Title I documents and give input on:

Title I Parent-Family Engagement

Plan, Title I Parent Engagement budget, Student/Family/School/Admin Compact, and the School Improvement Plan

- Inquire about the qualifications of the professionals who work with your child.
- Attend workshops that will help you as a parent.
- Attend PTO events
- Complete a yearly survey in order to provide input on family events, best times, and topics

Parenting That Encourages Learning at Home

- Make school important!
- Speak positively about your child's teacher and school staff.
- Make sure your child goes to school on time every day.
- Make sure your child goes to bed on time.
- Make sure you answer telephone calls from your child's teacher or school staff.
- Keep books, magazines, and newspapers in your home.
- Take your child to the library.
- Read to your child daily.
- Have your child write notes to family members or write a shipping list.
- Instill a love of learning.
- Contact your child's teacher to discuss your child.
- Monitor your child's homework and assignments, check the communication from teachers (emails and or planners).
- Use online reading and math resources in Schoology and at home.

Collaborating with the Community

- "I Can Swim" & "College and Me" at Garrett College
- Garrett Mentors Program
- Head Start Partnership & Early Head Start
- Garrett County Health
- Head Start Transition Meetings
- Judy Center Partnership
- Friendsville Library
- Lego League Program
- Garrett County Health Department-Parents
- After School Program

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Safe, Organized, Achievers, Respectful and Responsible

Title I Parent Engagement Plan

Year at a Glance
2024-2025

A Judy Center Title I School

Parenting that encourages learning at home and at school:

- Make school a priority.
- Always be positive about school and the importance of learning.
- Arrive at school in person or virtually well-rested and ready to learn.
- Keep the lines of communication open virtually through PowerSchool and in person.
- Encourage reading and writing of high interest topics every day.
- Take your child to the library or visit library collections online.
- Check your child's planner or check assignments through the PowerSchool.

Accessibility:

Upon request we can provide:

- Childcare
- Transportation
- Translation services
- Multiple meeting dates and times

For any school event or activity. Please make your requests by phone or email (301)746-5100 or james.friend@garrettcountyschools.org

Parent Participation and School

Goal:

Friendsville Elementary School administration and staff recognize that a strong partnership with parents and community builds a positive school culture, and bolsters a positive environment for learning.

Family engagement dates scheduled throughout the year:

There will be three or four events depending on funding. Please watch for our collaborative Title I nights with the Judy Center. Please provide input on activities and workshops you would like to participate.

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A complete copy of the School Improvement Plan is available in the school office or on the Garrett County Board of Education website at:

www.garrettcountyschools.org

Click on Friendsville Elementary School

Parent Involvement

Benefits:

- Better student attitudes and behavior
- Higher grades and test scores
- Better school attendance
- Homework is completed and turned in on time
- Improved high school graduation rate

Get Involved:

- Attend Back to School Night
- Attend Title I Information Meetings and workshops
- Attend the Title I Annual Meeting
- Join the Parent Teacher Organization(PTO)
- Attend Parent Conferences (Second Term)
- Join us for our School Improvement Plan meetings
- Attend school programs and assemblies
- Attend PTO meetings and events
- Read our school newsletters, bulletin boards, or visit our school website/Facebook page