



Garrett County
Public Schools

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

CONNECTING SCHOOL & COMMUNITY
TO SUPPORT STUDENT SUCCESS

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What Is A Community School?

- A whole school model designed to promote positive, equitable outcomes
- Serves as a hub that brings families, communities, and partners together to remove barriers to learning using an asset based approach
- Provide a wide array of wrap around services that enhance a student's ability to be successful
- Conducts a comprehensive NEEDS ASSESSMENT



Components of the Needs Assessment

The needs assessment is the process for gathering information on the needs of the school and the desired impact. It includes an assessment of the physical, behavioral, and emotional health needs of the students, their families, and their communities.

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Surveys

2

Gathering & Analyzing Data Using A Team

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Asset Mapping & Partnership Inventory

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Focus Groups & Interviews



Wrap-Around Services Identified in the Blueprint



Family Engagement
Opportunities & Supports



Improving Student Learning
Environment & Attendance



Expanding & Enhancing Health
Care Services



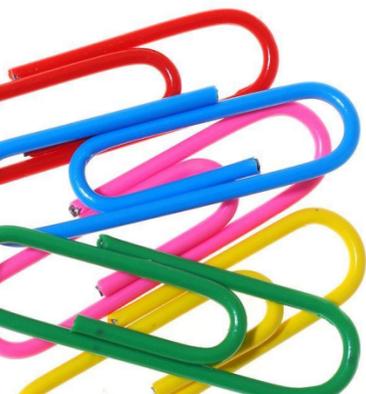
Enhancing Physical Wellness,
Food In and Out of School



Extended Learning Time &
Transportation



Enhancing Behavioral Health Services
& Access to Mental Health Providers



Applying the Community School Strategy

Connections to the needs assessment

Some highlights include:

- After School Programming for PK-2nd Grade
 - Partners After School Program, GCHD
- “Book Tasting” - A Family Engagement Event
 - Ruth Enlow Library & Garrett County Judy Center
- Yough Glades School Play: “The Big Bad Musical”
 - Garrett County Arts Council
- GATOR ZONE (food pantry, care closet, clothing, etc.)
 - Multiple Community Resources
- Kindness Club
 - GCHD, Department of Behavioral Health
- Ruby Payne Training
- Family Engagement & Support Bags
- Upcoming Summer Bash & Community Celebration
 - Multiple Community Resources & Outreach





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If you have any questions,
you are welcome to ask.

Thank you for your attention.

A photograph of a brick school building. The words 'COMMUNITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL' are mounted on the brick wall in large, silver, three-dimensional letters. In the foreground, there is a playground with yellow and red equipment. A chain-link fence runs across the middle ground, and a wooden bench is visible on the left. The ground is covered in dry grass and wood chips.

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