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# Parent Involvement Newsletter

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## Ellijay Elementary School

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Fall, 2015

Welcome Back to School

### How can parents stay involved and help students?

- Ask your child about school and encourage them to talk about their day.
- Always feel free to contact your child's teacher with any questions or concerns.
- Read with your child every night.
- Ask if they have homework and offer help if necessary.
- Make sure your child is getting plenty of sleep and is ready for school each day.
- Check your child's agenda on a regular basis.
- Sign up for EES text alerts by texting "EllijayElemAlert" to 91011.
- Like the EES Facebook page.
- Read the newsletter that comes home from your child's teacher.
- Make plans to attend one of our fun and informative family night events this fall.

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### What is STEM Family Challenge Night?

STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering & Math. The idea behind the National STEM initiative is the bringing together of concepts usually taught in these separate subjects.



STEM Family Challenge Night invites EES students and their families to participate in a mystery challenge. Challenge winners get prizes, but everyone gets a special charm and some quality fun time with the ones they love.

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### Upcoming Events

#### September 28 – October 2

Scholastic Book Fair – more information will come home soon!

#### September 29

Title I Informational Meeting @ 5:30

Family Reading Night @ 6:00

#### October 7 – October 9

Fall Break – no school! ☺

#### October 22

STEM Family Challenge @ 5:30

#### November 19

Family Movie @ 5:30

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### Fun Field Trips

All grades will be taking field trips this fall for some great learning fun!

**2<sup>nd</sup> graders** will visit the Young Harris Planetarium on either 9/23 or 9/24

**3<sup>rd</sup> graders** will visit a goldmine on either 10/19, 10/20 or 10/21

**4<sup>th</sup> graders** will visit the Tellus Science Museum on either 11/17 or 11/18.

More information will be sent home with students soon.