Barnardsville Elementary recognizes parents as full partners in decisions that affect our students, and we will foster and support this family engagement in the following ways:

**August 19th**  Meet the Teacher drop in 6-7pm

**September 7th**  Annual Title I meeting via Zoom 5pm

Parents will be informed of the benefits and responsibilities of a Title I school and the parents’ role in the success of their students will be addressed

**November 1st & 2nd**  Report Card Night – individual appointments will be scheduled with your child’s teacher

**January 25th**  Math Game Night 6pm

**May 10th**  Soaring into Summer – End of the Year Celebration 2:45pm

**May 17th**  Welcome to Kindergarten – for preschool families 6pm

**May TBD**  Transition Night 6pm (drop-in)

*dates are subject to change as the year progresses, but this gives a basic timeline of what to expect for the year

**Parents are encouraged to volunteer**

As part of the Safe Schools Policy for Buncombe County all volunteers are required to complete an application and be approved prior to working with students. Interested persons should contact Mrs. Jones by calling the school (828-626-2290) or through email at lisa.jones@bcsemail.org. As part of our Safe Schools Program, all volunteers must show ID when signing-in at the front office.

In the spring the Faculty and Staff will host a Volunteer Brunch in appreciation of our volunteers. (Date TBA)

**Parents are key to student success**

At Barnardsville we recognize that parents are a child’s first teacher and that parents want their child to succeed. Parents are encouraged to monitor their child’s progress through:

- Parent Teacher Conferences
- Homework and daily reading log
- Observation of graded papers
- Mid-term Progress Reports
- Report cards
- Power School
Barnardsville Elementary also uses these periodic forms of communication with parents:

- School website
- Barnardsville Elementary Facebook page
- Office bulletin board in office hallway
- Class Dojo

To honor our parents and grandparents, our cafeteria staff extends a warm welcome for parents and family members who join their child at lunch. In addition, the cafeteria schedules special breakfasts and lunches for parents and grandparents at various times of the year. Events such as these may be on hold due to Covid restrictions.

Your input is important to us. Barnardsville’s status as a School-wide Title I program allows us to coordinate programs to meet the needs of all our families. A Parent Interest Survey will be conducted. The results of this survey will be used to help plan additional parent meetings and workshops. Planned events and workshops often include child-care at no cost to the parents.

**Opportunities for all parents**

Barnardsville Elementary encourages the involvement of all parents. As stated above, we recognize parents as the child’s first teacher, and we strive to increase communication and encourage family engagement.

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Title I Reading Teacher:  Lisa Jones