

The Red Clay Parent Forum

- **Contact Person (s):**
 - Dr. Elizabeth Smith
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- **Where/When is this program being held:**
 - Warner Elementary School, 5:30 -8 PM, dinner and childcare available

- **Dates:**
 - October 12, 2011
 - November 10,2011
 - December 13, 2011
 - January 11, 2012
 - February 8, 2012
 - March 14, 2012
 - April- NO meeting
 - May 15, 2012

- **Focus of the Program**
 - Increase parent and school relationship district wide with particular emphasis on our urban families.
 - Increase lines of communication between home and school
 - Share information and resources with parents in our community.

- **Goal of Program**
 - To increase parental involvement in our school communities and knowledge about our school services

- **Summary of Program**

The Parent Forum is a six part series designed to bridge the relationship between our district schools and our parent community. Some of the Forum topics include: Red Clay Support Services, the psychologist's role in the schools, the school nurse and parent partnership, early language development, community resources regarding where to take your child if he/she fails the school's hearing screening, where to turn when your child is having difficulty in the school setting, the importance of healthy eating and how it impacts school success, the impact of attendance on achievement, resolving challenges with a smile, identifying child and adolescent stress and trauma, family literacy activities that help increase student reading, tips for improving math at home, behavior support strategies, and building connections with the child's teacher and school. The Parent Information Center (PIC) will be sharing their resources to our parents as well.