



# Eddie J. White Middle Academy

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Dear EWA families,

## What is the Eddie J. White Middle Academy "Parent Resource Center"?

The Parent Resource Center in Eddie J. White Middle Academy exists to provide parents with information, promote positive partnerships between parents and educators, to support and meet student's learning needs. The needs include, but are not limited to, academic, social, emotional, developmental and functional skills; EWM Parent Resource Center also works to inform and educate siblings, grandparents, and friends, about Title I what it means and how services are provide to EWM children. We want families to have the tools they need to fully participate and collaborate with school staff during each step of the educational experience- from the classroom, to their role in the development of the individualized Education Program.

**Eddie J. White Parent Resource Center**  
**Monday through Friday 8:30am to 3:00pm**  
**Located in the EWM main lobby**

EWM's Parent Center is staffed by our school's Parent Liaison, Giovanna Alston and parent volunteers of children at Eddie J. White. When contacting the Center, parents can expect to come in contact with an individual who is understanding and knowledgeable about special and general education.

The goal for the center is for all EWM families to understand the important role they play in our student's educational team. We encourage parental participation in the educational decision making process as we are committed to the belief that parents are more effective when they participate and are educated about the education process. The partnership we can establish, will exemplify the effectiveness parents and staff will experience when working closely together and focusing on students' academic achievement.

- To accomplish EWM's Motto, *On time, On task, On a Mission, Leaving a Trail of Excellence*, we offer a variety of services at no cost to families; a lending library of books, articles, and DVDs on study skills, subject based information and parenting topics, training through workshops and seminars on a wide range of topics.
- Ms. Alston can meet individually with parents whose children are experiencing difficulty at school, home, or in the community to explore and consider a wide range of options; most materials are in both English and Spanish to ensure that all parents are informed.

Ms. Alston is available by phone 770-472-2850ext.6 or by email: [giovanna.alston@clayton.k12.ga.us](mailto:giovanna.alston@clayton.k12.ga.us).  
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"Research indicates that one of the strongest indicators of a child's success at school is parental involvement."

Ms. Giovanna Alston, Title I Parent Liaison

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