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Fannin Family,

November is a time to be thankful, and in the Fannin County School System, we have so much to be thankful for, especially the families who support our students and schools every day.

Governor Brian Kemp officially proclaimed November as Family Engagement Month in Georgia. While a special month to recognize our families is nice, I want you to know how much we appreciate you throughout the whole year.

Not every lesson children learn happens in a classroom. They happen around the dinner table, riding down the road, or simply watching the adults in their lives. Our teachers do an incredible job, but we know that a child's education begins at home. When families and schools work together, great things happen for our students.

We also know that raising children isn't always easy. Between busy schedules, long workdays, homework, and countless other responsibilities, life can get pretty hectic. Through it all, you continue to encourage your children and support their dreams, while supporting their teachers and our schools, all to help our kids succeed. Please know that your efforts make a difference, even on the days when it may not feel like it.

Our vision reminds us, *"We are Fannin. We are family. As a community, we will build a stronger future, one student at a time."* That vision wouldn't be possible without you.

So, during this season of thanksgiving, I simply want to say thank you. Thank you for trusting us with your children, supporting our teachers, and being our partners in education. We are blessed to have such wonderful families and grateful for the opportunity to work alongside you.

We Are Fannin!

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