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EXTRA MILE AWARD

Ms. Nicole Coots received the Extra Mile Award for February. Ms. Coots is a dedicated member of the student data team, supporting students, teachers, and principals in everything from grade book set-up to virtual enrollment and Chromebook checkout. She has been attending professional learning for our data system and has been organizing and leading training for our data clerks and administration so our staff can be better equipped to support our students.

ESPLOST VI

A special election will be held on March 16, 2021 for ESPLOST VI. Potential projects include: Phase two of HMS Renovation, DES HVAC Renovation, Red Devil Hill Renovation, Butts Schools Performing Arts Center, Office facility for School Nutrition, Maintenance, and Technology.

LITERACY DAYS

The Butts County Board of Education recognized the district-level winners of the 2020-2021 Literacy Days.

Read Aloud of Best Piece:

Kindergarten - Colton Merritt, SES
 1st Grade - Andrew Yater, DES
 2nd Grade - Jace Petty, DES

Ready Writers:

3rd Grade - Jena Estes, DES
 4th Grade - Ava Grace Rustin, SES
 5th Grade - Ella Crockarell, DES
 6th Grade - Emily Howell, HMS
 7th Grade - Devin Price, HMS
 8th Grade - Brody Maddox, HMS

Poetry Recitation:

Kindergarten - Kali Hicks, DES
 1st Grade - Andrew Yater, DES
 2nd Grade - Tymahni-Wills Franzen, JES
 3rd Grade - Ava Novotny, SES
 4th Grade - Carlee Sosebee, JES
 5th Grade - Kendal McMurray, SES
 6th Grade - Alaura Adams, HMS
 7th Grade - Davinna Creamer, HMS
 8th Grade - Neal Patel, HMS

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In Loving Memory

Ernest L. Battle



ERNEST L. BATTLE LEGACY

The Board recognized the legacy of former chairman and tireless advocate for BCSS and the Butts County community, Mr. Ernest L. Battle.

“Mr. Battle was a tremendous community servant and a tireless supporter of all things BCSS. Our school system would not be what it is today without Mr. Battle’s service and his commitment to improving education for our students,” said Dr. Todd Simpson, Superintendent.

BCSS SPELLING BEE

The Board recognized the winner of the BCSS Spelling Bee, Lincoln Sears, Henderson Middle School student, and runner-up Ella Cockerall, Daughtry Elementary School student.

2022-2023 CALENDAR

Based on feedback from the 2022-2023 Calendar Survey, the Board approved Option B. This option includes 180 instructional days for students. Students and staff have a full week break in October, a full week for Thanksgiving, two weeks off at Christmas, and a week for Spring Break. Students have a three-day holiday in February and staff have a two-day break. This option includes 9 professional learning days for staff and one parent conference day in February. Calendar Option B was preferred by 339 of the 553 responding parents, students, staff, and community members.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board approved the district to apply for the following grant opportunities:

- Dollar General Literacy Foundation Adult Literacy Grant
- Dollar General Literacy Foundation Family Literacy Grant
- Dollar General Literacy Foundation Summer Reading Grant
- Robotics Education and Competition Foundation Grant
- American Heart Association Teaching Gardens Network Grant

The Board approved the extension of the custodial services agreement with Kellermeyer Bergensons Services (KBS), formally known as BECK Services, through June 2023.