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DISTRICT NEWS



Support HMS at the Park Ave BP

Remember to fuel up at the Park Ave BP HMS/JHS gas pump! Two cents from every gallon purchased at this pump is donated to our schools. Proceeds from May sales go to Henderson Middle School. Be sure to stop by and support our Tigers the next time you need to fill up!

Thank you again to the Park Ave BP and May & Carter Oil Company for your support of our schools!

Kindergarten Registration

April 24 - May 5
for the 2023 - 2024 school year.

Details, including the required documents, are posted on our website, www.bcck12.org/centralregistration.

Kindergarten Registration

April 24 - May 5

STEP 1 Complete the online application.

STEP 2 Bring your student and the required documents to Central Registration.

BUTTS COUNTY
SCHOOL SYSTEM

2022-2023 Parent Feedback

Your Input is Valuable. Each year we seek your input in the development of the School-Parent Compact and the Parent and Family Engagement Policy. We look forward to receiving your responses.

Please complete by May 19.

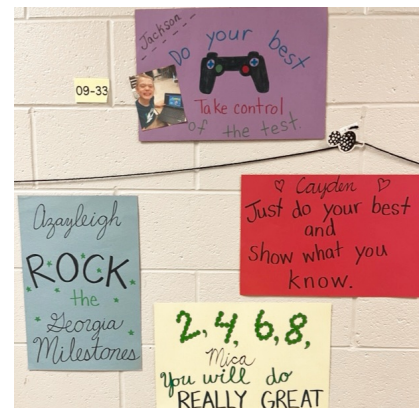
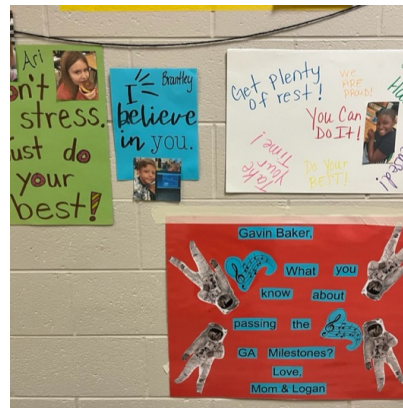
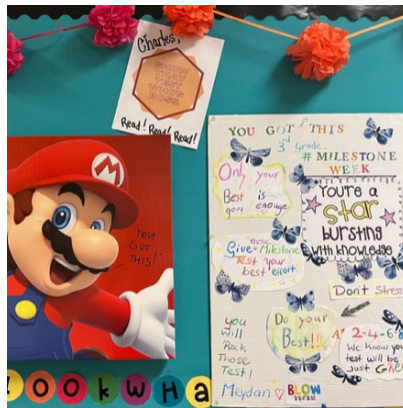


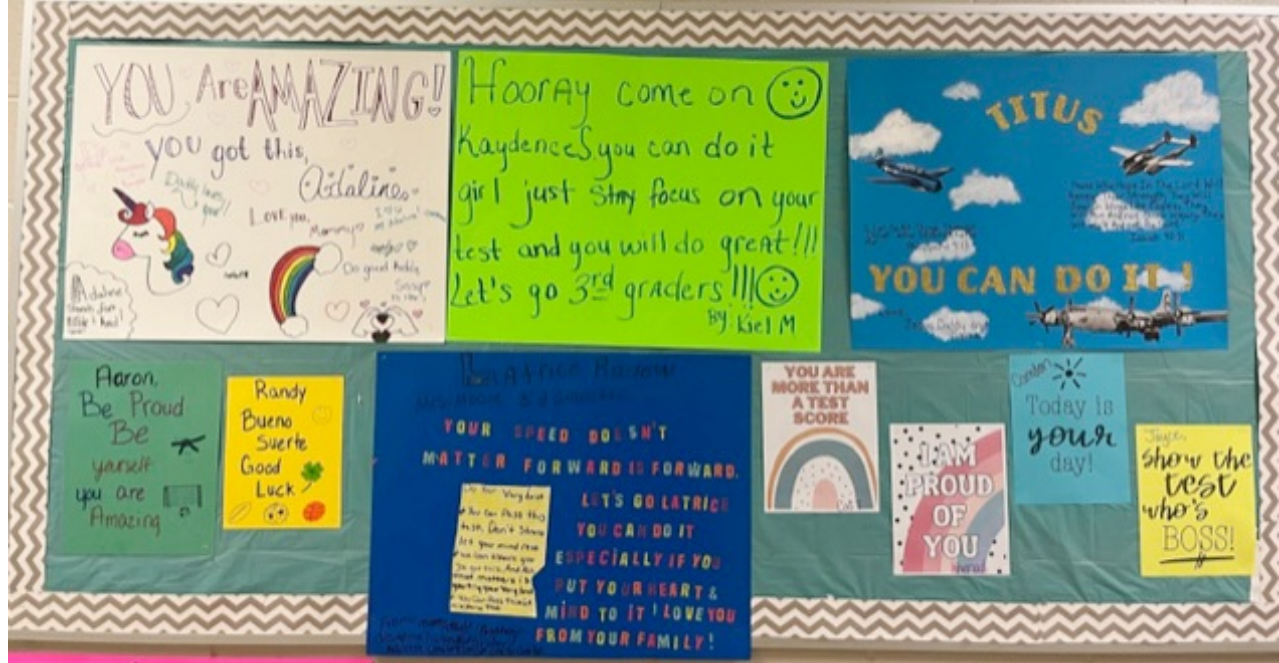
Mrs. Edmonds' class learned about plants last week. They weeded, put new soil, planted seeds and flowers, and will water them as needed.



Milestones

Last week our 3rd graders were surprised to see just how much their family and teachers (aka school family) are rooting for them to pass their Milestones Tests this week.





JES held a Red carpet pep rally for students who scored 3's and 4's last year on milestones!



STARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Kindergarten Registration
April 24 – May 5, 2023

Clubs:

Robotics - Mondays

Student Council - Mondays

Young Men & Girls on the Move -

Tuesdays

Good News - Tuesdays

First Kids - Wednesday (Bus 14-45)



Parents and Families,

Your Input Is Valuable! Each year we seek your input on how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement through the development of the School-Parent Compact. The compact is a written commitment that helps bridge the learning connection between school and home.

We also seek your input on how we can establish the expectations for family engagement and strengthen student academic achievement through the development of the Parent and Family Engagement Policy. The policy describes the different ways that the school will support family engagement and how parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home.

[Click Here for Survey](#)

HENDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Title I Testing Information

HENDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

TESTING DATES

All Grade Levels
May 1-May 3
8th Grade ONLY
May 4-5
9th Grade Physical Science
May 10
9th Grade Algebra I
May 12

IMPORTANT TIMES

Testing will take place from 8:00am until 10:30am.
School starts at 7:55am.
No checkouts during testing times.
Schedule doctor's appointments outside of testing dates and times.

PURPOSE

Georgia Milestones tests provide information about how well students are mastering the content standards in the core content areas of ELA, math, science, and social studies.

REMINDERS

- Get a good night's sleep.
- Eat a good breakfast.
- Be on time everyday!
- Come to school everyday!
- No cell phones, smart watches, personal ear buds, etc. allowed during testing.
- Do your best!



HMS Track Awards Ceremony

May 2nd @ 6pm

Henderson Middle School

Cafeteria

Pizza Provided

Please bring dessert & drinks



Henderson Happenings - Beta Club Induction

We would like to highlight our Beta Club Students! These students have demonstrated a commitment to scholarship and academic achievement. During the Induction Program, Beta Club President Ryan Goodman, called the meeting to order and shared the importance of achievement.



7th Grade Beta Club Secretary, Olivia Bell spoke about leadership.



Zhari Barlow, 7th Grade Beta Club Reporter, represented the trait of service to the others.



Rebekah Goodman, Beta club Vice President spoke on the trait of character.



6th, 7th, & 8th Graders take their Beta Pledge!



Job well done, Ms. Cameron, your Beta members and your staff did a great job with the induction ceremony.

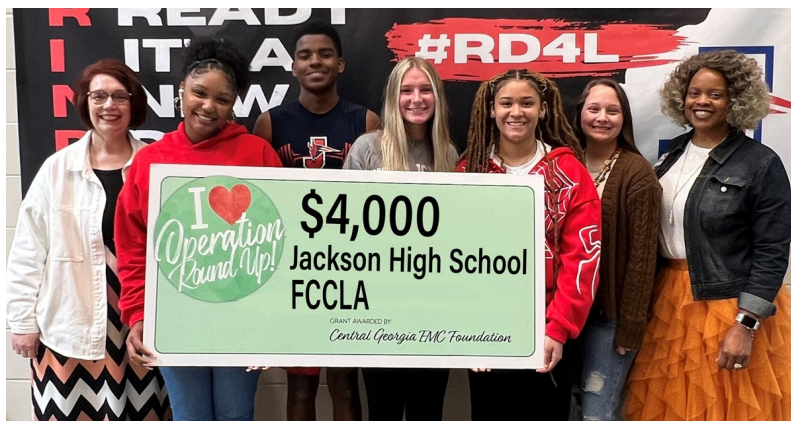


Dr. Harris concluded the ceremony by acknowledging the accomplishments of our scholars and champions. Quote: "These are the moments that make me the PROUD Principal of Henderson Middle School."

Upcoming Events

Tutoring

Monday - Thursdays
3:30 - 4:30 PM

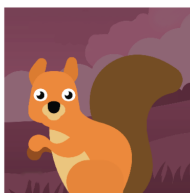


Operation Round Up Grant

Congratulations to the Family, Career, and Community Leaders of JHS on their recent Operation Round Up grant from Central Georgia EMC.

PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

Word of the Month



Determination

/di-tə-mə-nā-shən / noun.

firmness of purpose; resoluteness



Determination

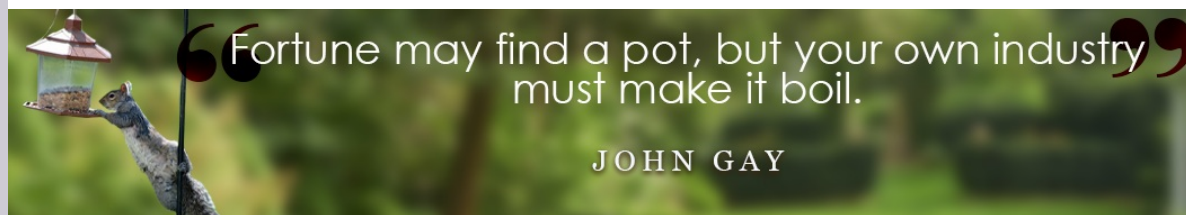
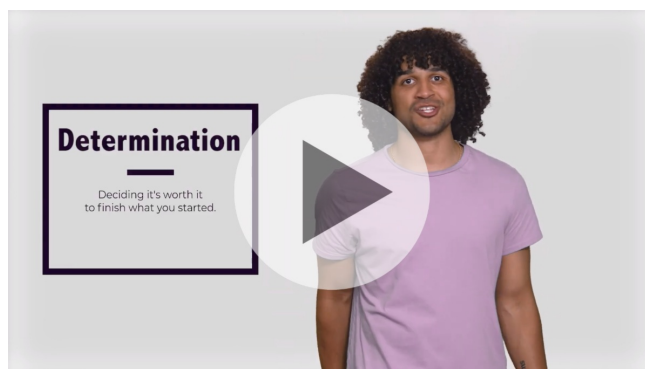
Deciding it's worth it to finish what you started

Bethany Hamilton knows a thing or two about determination. Born in Hawaii, she knew early on that she would be a surfer. And she was well on her way until age 13 when she was attacked by a 14-foot tiger shark where she lost her left arm. Only one month later she was back in the water and within two years she won her first national surfing title! Bethany knew what she was made to do and wouldn't let anything get in her way... not even a shark!

Character Building

Ask an Adult

- Tell me about a time you finished something you started. How did it make you feel to finish a big task? What helped you stay determined to finish the task?



LITERACY CORNER

How Can I Help My Child Who Is Struggling To Read

- Don't wait to get your child reading help if she or he is behind.
- Read to your child a few minutes daily.
- Help your child choose books at his or her



- reading level.
- Consider checking out books on tape.
- Create a reader-friendly home by monitoring screen-time.



Ferst Readers

A child's path to a brighter future is paved with books. Children, from birth to five, enrolled in the Ferst Readers program receive a FREE quality book every month mailed to them at home. If you live in Butts County, you can register a child by visiting the website, www.ferstreaders.org, or by calling 888-565-0177. Be sure to register every child under five in your family. Each book is specially chosen for child's age and level of development- and because it's fun to read!

Reading with Your Child

Twenty minutes a day is all it takes to build key reading skills.

Visit the [Literacy section of our Parent Engagement page](#) to learn five ways to help your child become a better reader.

BUTTS COUNTY EARLY LITERACY PARENT EDUCATORS

Reading with your child



1.) CREATE READING RITUALS AND READ TOGETHER EVERY DAY.

Bed time is a great time for this! Snuggle up with your child and a good book as part of your child's bedtime routine.

Bright by Text

free activities, games and resources for parents and caregivers of children prenatal to age 8



BUTTS COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM

Bright by Text

Receive free text messages with easy practical tips and activities for children from birth to age eight.

Bright by Text content is provided by trusted partners like PBS and Sesame Street, and customized by your child's birthdate and your zip code so it's just what you need, when you need it most.

Bright by Text will never share your information or try to sell you anything. And they'll never charge you for any of the valuable resources they provide.

Simply text BRIGHT to 274448.

READING RESOURCES

at your fingertips

1

RAISING READERS: WHAT PARENTS CAN DO

[HTTPS://WWW.NEA.ORG/PROFESSIONAL-EXCELLENCE/STUDENT-ENGAGEMENT/TIPS-FOR-RAISING-READERS-WHAT-PARENTS-CAN-DO](https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/student-engagement/tips-for-raising-readers-what-parents-can-do)

2

THE POWER OF JOY FOR EARLY READERS

[HTTPS://READINGPARTNERS.ORG/BLOG/THE-POWER-OF-JOY-FOR-EARLY-READERS/](https://readingpartners.org/blog/the-power-of-joy-for-early-readers/)

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READING ROCKETS

[HTTPS://WWW.READINGROCKETS.ORG/READING-101-GUIDE-PARENTS](https://www.readingrockets.org/reading-101-guide-parents)

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6 TIPS FOR SETTING UP YOUR HOME FOR READING SUCCESS

[HTTPS://READINGPARTNERS.ORG/BLOG/6-TIPS-FOR-SETTING-UP-YOUR-HOME-FOR-READING-SUCCESS/](https://readingpartners.org/blog/6-tips-for-setting-up-your-home-for-reading-success/)

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5 ONLINE RESOURCES FOR PARENTS OF STRUGGLING READERS

[HTTPS://WWW.GEMMLEARNING.COM/BLOG/PARENT-TIPS/5-RESOURCES-FOR-PARENTS-OF-STRUGGLING-READERS/](https://www.gemmllearning.com/blog/parent-tips/5-resources-for-parents-of-struggling-readers/)

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WEBSITES FOR PARENTS

[HTTPS://WWW.READINGPOWERINC.ORG/WEBSITES-FOR-PARENTS.HTML](https://www.readingpowerinc.org/websites-for-parents.html)

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

The concept is simple, the rewards are priceless. Read a book (any book) to your newborn, infant, and/or toddler. The goal is to have read 1000 books (yes you can repeat books) before your precious one starts kindergarten. Does it sound hard? Not really if you think about it. If you read just one book a night, you will have read about 365 books in a year. That is 730 books in two years and 1095 books in three years. If you consider that most children start kindergarten at around 5 years of age, you have more time than you think (so get started).

[The 1000 Books Before Kindergarten app lets you keep](#)



[track of your reading activity quickly and easily.](#)

- Scan books into your library
- Keep track of your reading activity for multiple readers
- Track your progress to 1000 books!

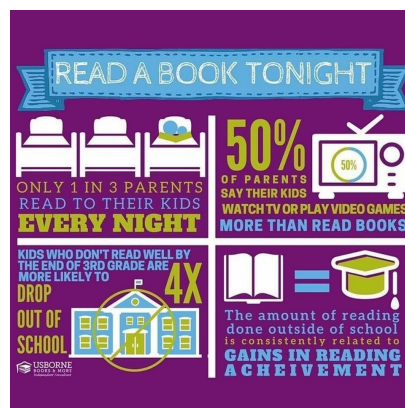
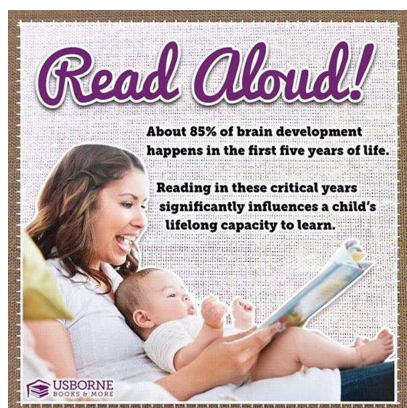


Here's your chance to be one of the Ferst Fifty



Your donation of \$360 will sponsor 10 Butts County children between the ages of 0-5, for one year. Each child will receive one book per month by mail. Donations are tax deductible. We will feature your business or organization on the FERST Readers social media as one of the exclusive FERST Fifty.

Checks made payable to FERST Readers, with Butts County in the memo line. Checks can be mailed to PO Box 263, Jackson, GA 30233.



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