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DISTRICT NEWS



Support BCSS 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 November sales will go to Jackson High School so be sure to stop by and support our Red Devils 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!

GASSP Assistant Principal of the Year

We are extremely proud to announce that Henderson Middle School assistant principal Ms. Kendra Jenkins, has been named 2024 Georgia Association of Secondary School Principals Assistant Principal of the Year! Please join us in congratulating Ms. Jenkins on this momentous achievement!



Every Day Counts

Every single day at school brings new opportunities to learn and grow. Each lesson, interaction, and activity adds valuable building blocks to your education journey. Missing just 2 days each month of the school year, can put



students at risk of academic failure. Help your student succeed by ensuring they attend school everyday!

BCSS Honors Veterans

Last Friday, the Jackson High School NJROTC hosted a Veterans' Day Ceremony to honor Butts County veterans. We would like to say thank you to all the brave men and women who have served our country.



MENUS

Week of November 13

ALL ELEMENTARY	
Nov 13	Breakfast - Apple Frudel Lunch Cheesy Pan Pizza or Homemade Meatloaf, Fresh Caesar Salad, Cheesy Squash Casserole, Warm Garlic Knot, Fresh Local Arkansas Black Apples from BJ Reece Orchards
Nov 14	Breakfast - Smile Mini Donuts Lunch Cheeseburger on Bun or Cheesy Wild Mike's Pizza, Lettuce/Tomato Salad, Pickle Spears, Buttered Corn, Scooby Doo Cookie <i>National Pickle Day</i>
Nov 15	Breakfast - Pull Apart Honey Bun Lunch Crispy Chicken/Waffles or Spicy Sausage/Cheese Biscuit, Seasoned Potato Triangles, Fresh Sliced Tomatoes, Juice Cup, Banana Muffin
Nov 16	Breakfast - Mini Cinis Lunch Manager's Choice or Crunchy Country Fried Steak w/Biscuit, Scalloped Potatoes, Seasoned Sweet Peas
Nov 17	Breakfast - Pancake Pup Lunch Basket Lunch Hotdog on Bun, Saucy Baked Beans, Fresh Carrot w/Ranch, Harvest Sun Chips Local Fuji Apples from BJ Reece Orchards

HMS AND JHS	
Nov 13	Breakfast - French Toast Minis Lunch Cheesy Pan Pizza or Homemade Meatloaf, Fresh Caesar Salad, Cheesy Scalloped Potatoes, Warm Garlic Knot, Fresh Local Arkansas Black Apples from BJ Reece Orchards
Nov 14	Breakfast - Chicken Biscuit Lunch Cheeseburger on Bun or Cheesy Wild Mike's Pizza, Lettuce/Tomato Salad, Pickle Spears, Buttered Corn, Scooby Doo Cookie <i>National Pickle Day</i>
Nov 15	Breakfast - Spicy Sausage Biscuit Lunch Crispy Chicken/Waffles or Spicy Sausage/Cheese Biscuit, Seasoned Potato Triangles, Fresh Sliced Tomatoes, Juice Cup, Banana Muffin
Nov 16	Breakfast - Bacon Cheese Biscuit Lunch Manager's Choice or Crunchy Country Fried Steak w/Biscuit, Buttered Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans
Nov 17	Breakfast - Pancake Pup Lunch Basket Lunch Hotdog on Bun, Saucy Baked Beans, Fresh Carrot w/Ranch, Harvest Sun Chips Local Fuji Apples from BJ Reece Orchards

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

NOVEMBER 16, 2023

6 PM - Ceremony
7 PM - JHS Concert and Symphonic Bands Performance





Athletic Events



WEEKLY ATHLETIC SCHEDULE
BUTTS COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM



<p>11/13 HMS Award Ceremony 6:00 pm</p> <p>JHS Volleyball Banquet 6:00 pm</p>	<p>11/14 HMS Basketball Away-4:30 pm @ Lamar Co</p> <p>HMS Wrestling Home-5:00 pm vs. ELCA</p> <p>JHS Wrestling Home-5:30 pm vs. ELCA & Monticello</p>	<p>11/15 HMS Wrestling Away-5:00 pm @ Jones Co</p>
<p>11/16 HMS Basketball Home-5:00 pm vs. Clifton Ridge</p> <p>JHS 9th Grade Basketball Home-5:30 pm vs. Union Grove</p>	<p>11/17 No Events</p>	<p>11/18 JHS Basketball Away-3:30 pm @ Eastside HS</p> <p>JHS Wrestling Away-9:00 am @ GAC</p>

DAUGHTRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Visit www.bcssk12.org/DES for the latest information.



Robotics Donation

We would like to say thank you to Delta Community Credit Union for their generous donation to our schools' robotics program. We greatly appreciate your support!

JACKSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Visit www.bcssk12.org/JES for the latest information.



JES Spelling Bee

Congratulations to our 2023 Spelling Bee Participants! First Place: Lilly Hurst. Runner Up: Hudson Volle.

STARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

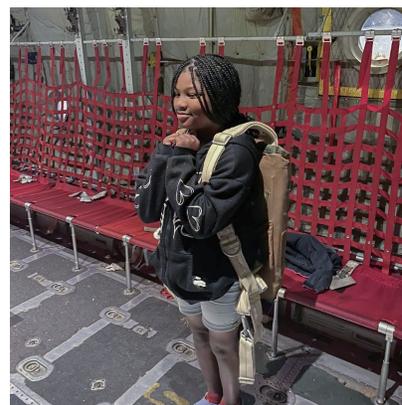
November 1 - 17
Canned Food Drive

Visit www.bcask12.org/SES
for the latest information.



STEM Field Trip

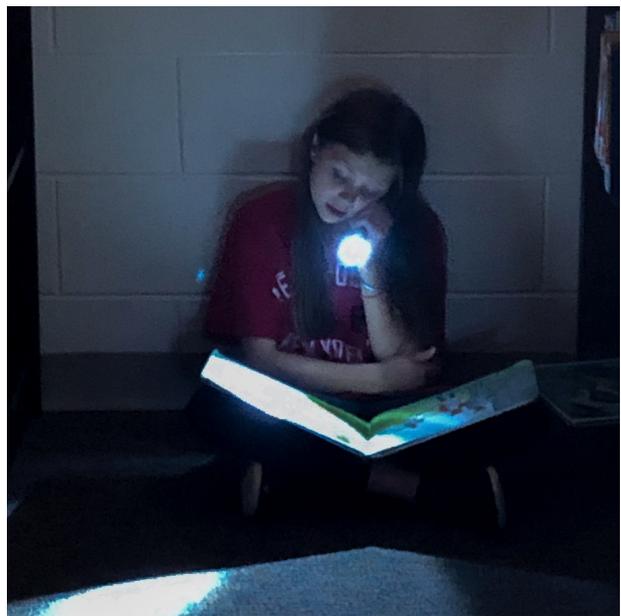
Our 5th Grade Students got to visit the STEM Lab and Aviation of Museum in Warner Robins. They had a blast!!





Halloween Fun in the Media Center

Upper grades rotated between flashlight reading, a Halloween escape room game, and the October Media choice board featuring reading/makerspace /coding activities.



HENDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Visit www.bcsc12.org/HMS for the latest information.



Up, Up, and Away Club

We have Club days every other week. This is a time that our teachers expose our students to their hobbies and talents. The Up, Up, and Away Club is led by Ms. Henderson, our Reading Support Teacher. She is training our students to become balloon artists.



JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

November 14

Title 1 Literacy, Advanced Placement, & Honors Night
6 - 7 PM

November 17

Special Olympics
Basketball Tournament

November 20 -24

Thanksgiving Break

November 29

BCSS Science Fair
9 AM - 2 PM.

November 30

GRCCA Night

September 5 - November 16

After-school Tutoring
Tuesday and Thursday
3:30 - 5:30

JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL



LITERACY, AP, & HONORS NIGHT

RIISING ABOVE EXPECTATIONS

Come join us to learn more about the reading status of our students at JHS based on 23-24 EOC scores and how we can use this information to help our students. In addition, come discover more information about the JHS Advanced Placement & Honors Programs.

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

6:00-7:00 pm

Jackson High School Commons

Light Refreshments will be provided.

For information, contact Brandi Lowe brandi.lowe@bcssk12.org

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.

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



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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/RAISING-READERS-WHAT-PARENTS-CAN-DO](https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/student-engagement/tips/raising-readers-what-parents-can-do)

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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/)

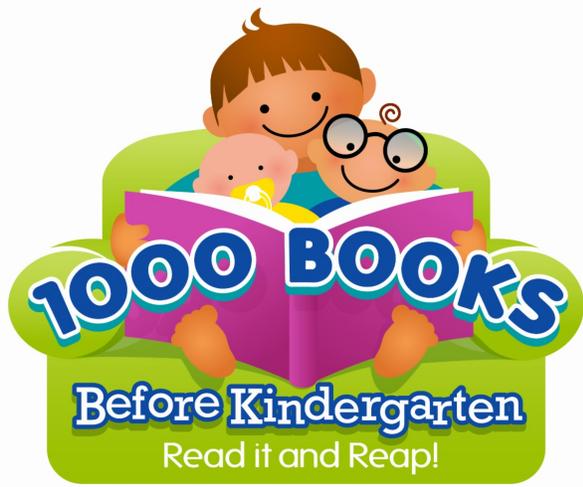
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WEBSITES FOR PARENTS

[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.

Read Aloud!

About 85% of brain development happens in the first five years of life.

Reading in these critical years significantly influences a child's lifelong capacity to learn.

USBORNE BOOKS & MORE

FILL YOUR HOME!

A book-filled home encourages a culture of reading for enjoyment and talking about books. A recent study found that when it comes to parental child care, regardless of how many books the family already has, each addition to the home library helps children do better.**

Create a Reading Nook
A dedicated space for books in the family home is a great way to encourage the family to read together.

Impact their Future
Reading to children helps them learn to read and write.

Read Aloud
Reading to children helps them learn to read and write.

Keep Books Everywhere!
The three best places to keep a box of books for your children to read in.

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READ A BOOK TONIGHT

ONLY 1 IN 3 PARENTS READ TO THEIR KIDS **EVERY NIGHT**

50% OF PARENTS SAY THEIR KIDS WATCH TV OR PLAY VIDEO GAMES MORE THAN READ BOOKS.

KIDS WHO DON'T READ WELL BY THE END OF 3RD GRADE ARE MORE LIKELY TO **DROP OUT OF SCHOOL 4X**

The amount of reading done outside of school is consistently related to **GAINS IN READING ACHIEVEMENT**

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