



BCSS BULLETIN

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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 January sales will go to Henderson Middle School so 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!

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!



Science Fair

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Henderson Middle School and Jackson High School Science Fair! The top eight students from each school will represent BCSS in the Griffin RESA Science Fair in early 2024.

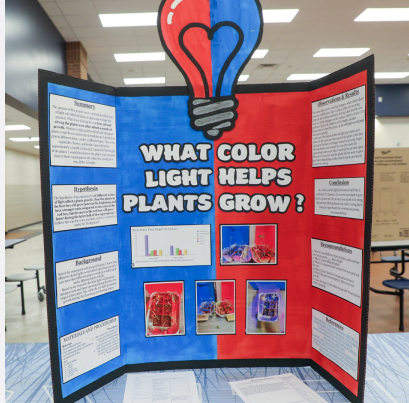
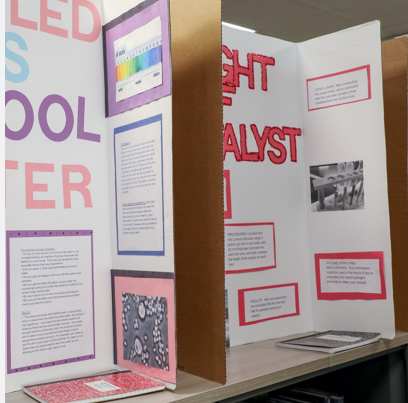
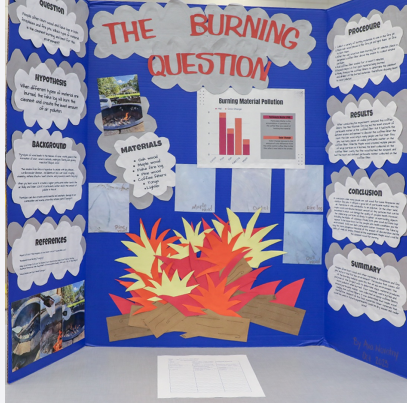
HMS Winners

- Jaylee Smith
- Ava Novotny and Layla Gilmore
- Bentley Adamson
- Ava Rustin
- Peyton Gittens
- Alex Payne
- Micah Wheeler
- Sophia Marchant

JHS Winners

- Kaylee Tutton and Ethan Dean
- Keaton Crider
- Lexie Beckham
- Maggie Lowe
- Quad Stewart
- Billy Davis
- O'Neal Norsworthy, Colby Keber, and Skyler Davis
- Malorie Lunsford and Abrey Sams

Thank you to our judges, Mrs. Stamoules, Dr. McKee-Williams, and Mrs. Robinson, for taking time to judge all these wonderful projects.



BCSS Literacy Day and Spelling Bee

On Friday, December 8, the Butts County School System held the 2023 Literacy Day and Spelling Bee competitions. Winners of the Literacy Day competition will compete in the Griffin RESA Literacy Day competition this month. Winners of the Spelling Bee will represent BCSS at the Regional Spelling Bee.



MENUS

Week of December 4

ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	
Jan 08	Breakfast - Chicken Biscuit Lunch Homemade Brunswick Stew w/Crackers or Crunchy Corndog, Crispy Waffle Fries, Homemade Coleslaw, Warm Chocolate Fudge Brownie
Jan 09	Breakfast - Apple French Toast Lunch Warm Cheese Sticks w/Marinara or Spicy Orange Chicken w/ Pineapple Rice, Buttered Corn, Seasoned Lima Beans, Crunchy Chocolate Chortles
Jan 10	Breakfast - Smile Mini Donuts Lunch Chicken Tenders w/Honey Mustard or Homemade Meatloaf, Orange Glazed Carrots, Warm Roll, Fluffy Yellow Rice, Fresh Broccoli w/Dip
Jan 11	Breakfast - Cinnamon Roll Lunch Homemade Tator Tot Casserole w/Roll or Student's Choice, Seasoned Black-eyed Peas, Fresh Veggies w/Dip
Jan 12	Breakfast - Breakfast Pizza Lunch Cheesy Stuffed Crust Pizza or Homemade Chicken Tetrizzini w/Warm Roll, Garden Salad, Seasoned Green Beans

HMS AND JHS	
Jan 08	Breakfast - Chicken Biscuit Lunch Homemade Brunswick Stew w/Crackers or Crunchy Corndog, Crispy Waffle Fries, Homemade Coleslaw, Warm Chocolate Fudge Brownie
Jan 09	Breakfast - Sausage Biscuit Lunch Warm Cheese Sticks w/Marinara or Spicy Orange Chicken w/ Pineapple Rice, Buttered Corn, Seasoned Lima Beans, Crunchy Chocolate Chortles
Jan 10	Breakfast - Apple French Toast Lunch Chicken Tenders w/Honey Mustard or Homemade Meatloaf, Orange Glazed Carrots, Warm Roll, Fluffy Yellow Rice, Fresh Broccoli w/ Dip
Jan 11	Breakfast - Steak Biscuit Lunch Homemade Tator Tot Casserole w/Roll or Student's Choice, Seasoned Black-eyed Peas, Fresh Veggies w/Dip
Jan 12	Breakfast - Warm Cini Mini Lunch Cheesy Stuffed Crust Pizza or Homemade Chicken Tetrizzini w/Warm Roll, Garden Salad, Seasoned Green Beans



Athletic Events

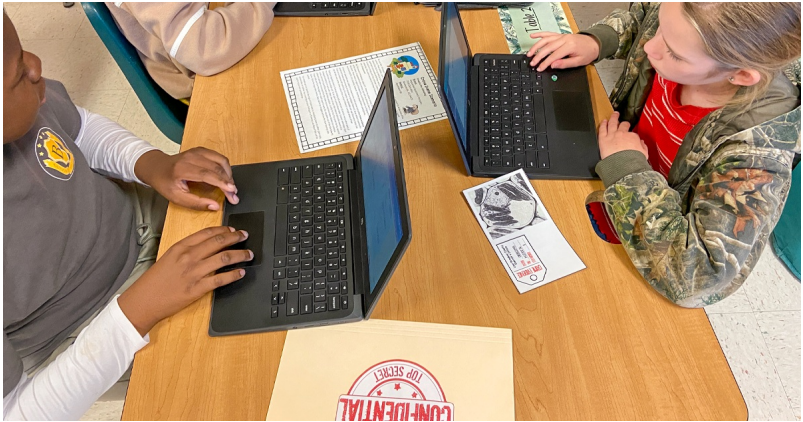


<div> <div>HENDERSON</div>  </div>		<div>  <div>THIS WEEK IN ATHLETICS</div> <div>BCSS</div> </div>		<div> <div>JACKSON</div>  </div>	
JANUARY	JANUARY	JANUARY	JANUARY	JANUARY	JANUARY
8	9	10	11	12	13
No Events	HMS Basketball Away-Clifton Ridge Girls 4:30 pm Boys 5:45 pm HMS & JHS Wrestling Home-5:00 pm JHS Basketball Home-Upson Lee JVB 4:30 pm VG 6:00 pm VB 7:30 pm	JHS Basketball Away-5:30 pm @ Upson Lee 9th Grade Boys	HMS Basketball Home-Jasper Co Girls 5:00 pm Boys 6:15 pm JHS Basketball Away-5:30 pm @ Spalding 9th Grade Boys	JHS Basketball Away-Lamar Co JVB 4:30 pm VG 6:00 pm VB 7:30 pm	JHS Basketball Home-Forest Park JVB 4:30 pm VB 6:00 pm

DAUGHTRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

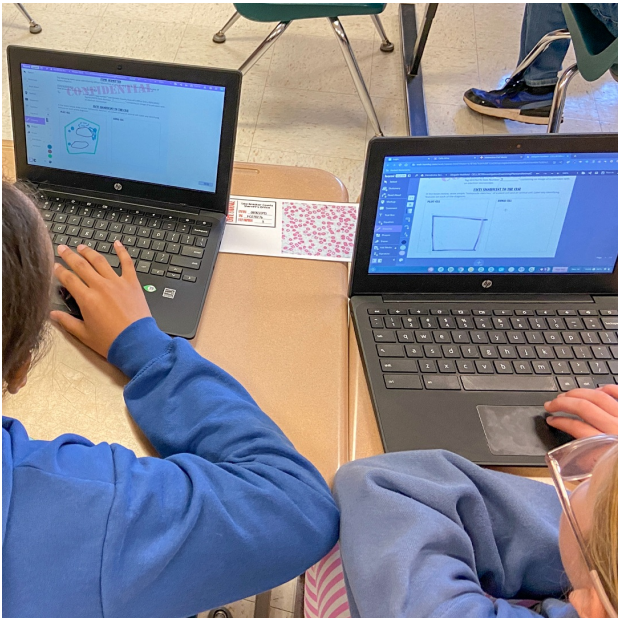
Upcoming Events

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



5th Grade CSI

The 5th grade students at DES investigated who “broke into” Mr. and Mrs. Worrywart’s apartment while on vacation. Since only single cells were left, the students had to examine the cell image and determine if it was a plant or animal cell. Students worked together and presented to the court who they thought committed the crime.



JACKSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

January 19 - 26
 Book Fair

Visit www.bcssk12.org/JES

for the latest information.



JES Book Fair

It's almost Book Fair time! [Click here for more information.](https://www.scholastic.com/bf/jacksonelementaryschool1d a subheading)

STARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

January 15

MLK Jr. Holiday

January 19

100th day

January 25

Title 1 STEAM Night @ 6 PM

January 26

School Council Meeting @
11:30 AM

January 30

Class Pictures

February 2

Student of the Month
Celebration

February 9 - 16

Scholastic Book Fair

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



Christmas Concert

SES students put on a wonderful Christmas concert before the break.

BOOK FAIR!!!
Feb. 9th & 11th-16th
Open most days from
7:30am-4pm.
It will close at
noon on Friday
the 16th & will
also be open
until 7PM on the
9th so come
early and shop
the fair before
the dance.
Thanks for
supporting the
library!

Order online or set up an
e-Wallet at this website:
scholastic.com/bf/StarkReads

STARK
ELEMENTARY

**S.T.E.A.M. PARENT
WORKSHOP**
featuring 5th Grade Band and Robotics

January 25, 2024
6:00 - 7:00 PM
Stark Elementary

Learn how to support your child at home with
science, technology, engineering, art, and math!

HENDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

Visit www.bcssh12.org/HMS for the latest information.



Santa and Mrs. Claus

Visited Henderson Middle School before Christmas!



JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

January 8

Semester 1 Report Cards and Georgia Milestone Individual Student Report sent home

January 9

Herff Jones collecting senior dues

Last day for semester 2 schedule changes

January 15

No school - MLK Day

January 18

Dual Enrollment Night
5 PM

January 23

Senior Cap & Gown portraits

January 24


8th Grade Registration

January 25

FAFSA Night
3:30 - 6 PM

8th Grade Registration

CLASS J A C K S O N H I G H S C H O O L C H A N G E R E Q U E S T F O R M



JHS Schedule Change Request Spring
23/24

Schedule Change Request Form

In order to qualify for a schedule change, you must meet one of the following criteria:

- Dual Enrollment Conflict
- Academic Misplacement (wrong level of class - Honors/AP or have not met prerequisite)
- Missing Academic Course - Missing ELA, Math, Science, and/or Social Studies
- Student earned credit for course in previous year or summer school
- Duplicate or hole in schedule

[Click here to submit a request.](#)

Last day for schedule change is Tuesday, January 9.

Fine Arts at JHS



Another awesome performance

The JHS Chorus spread

Mr. Lehman's class performed

by our JHS band students!

Christmas cheer with a spectacular Winter Concert.

student-led one-act performances. They are graded on characterization, flow/blocking, volume, and memorization of their lines.

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

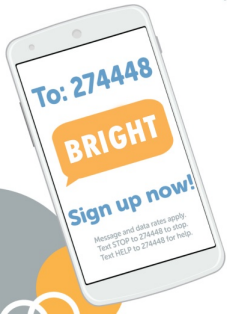


1.) CREATE READING RITUALS AND READ TOGETHER EVERY DAY.

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/TOLS-TIPS/RAISING-READERS-WHAT-PARENTS-CAN-DO](https://www.nea.org/professional-excellence/student-engagement/tols-tips/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/)

3

READING ROCKETS

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

4

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/)

6

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!

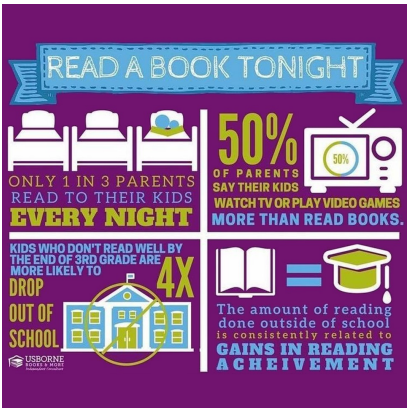
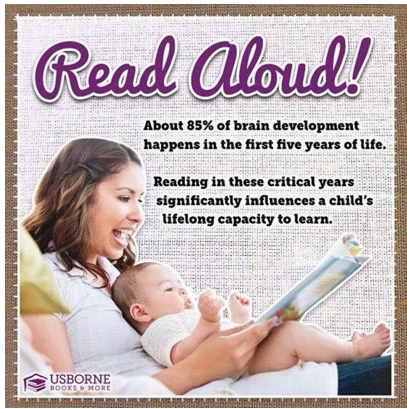


Here's your chance to be one of the Ferst Fifty



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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