

Community Celebration

2020/2021 Teacher of the Year



Superintendent's Message

Dr. David Daigneault

Back in January, in this space, I wrote about how we planned to rebound from the pandemic by coming together with the community to work for and with each other. I wrote about our support from Grenada businesses, which comes in many forms, and the programs we're building to train the next generation of workers for local industry.

Our community's buy-in to this partnership has earned Grenada School District another national honor, the Project Lead the Way Community Celebration Award.

Project Lead the Way (PLTW) is a program we use to teach science, technology, engineering, and math through a hands-on, project-based curriculum. The non-profit organization that designs this material pays special notice to diverse communities like Grenada, where school and community come together in times of need.

It's a true honor to be recognized among so many other hard-working communities throughout the nation, and I especially value this award because it recognizes our success in fulfilling our mission. I am a firm believer that education improves lives and improves communities.

In a recent announcement on their website, PLTW highlighted some of Grenada School District's positive attributes that earned us this recognition.

For instance, our tradition of working with the community can be seen in our long-running Partners in Education program, High Hopes. Local businesses adopt schools in the district and then lend their expertise, their products, and their involvement. Their participation in our efforts to educate the community's youth is an encouragement, an investment, and a demonstration of the way healthy communities function.

PLTW was impressed by the way we've created value-added programs to enhance the educational experience of children at every level. Our Pre-K program, one of the most extensive and highest-performing early learning initiatives in the state, grows each year in size and performance. Our hands-on supplementary education at the elementary school takes the form of classroom museums, such as the award-winning Kidzeum and Discovery Lab, where science and history come to life.

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By Jamie Kornegay
GSD Reporter

Erica Conley was named Grenada School District 2020-2021 Teacher of the Year by Superintendent Dr. David Daigneault.

Conley, a fourth-grade math teacher at Grenada Elementary 4-5, was singled out for the district's top honor among nominees from all six district schools.

"[Conley] embraces every day with the utmost professionalism, vigilance, and excitement," GES 4-5 Principal Carol Tharpe wrote in the award citation. "There is no challenge that goes unmet. Her students consistently exceed our expectations in growth and set standards for all the rest."

Tharpe complimented Conley's adaptability by telling the story of how she responded

to the challenging start of the 2020-21 school year. With her classroom decorated and ready for students, Conley was asked to make a last-minute switch to virtual instruction.

Tharpe was impressed by her willingness to change gears at the last minute. "Mrs. Conley put in countless hours of research, even taking an available online class to prepare herself for this daunting task of virtual instruction," Tharpe said. "As she does in all aspects of her job, she went above and beyond by networking with other virtual teachers across the state to ensure she could provide our students with the highest quality education."

"Teaching virtually was a neat experience, however, nothing takes the place of the hands-on learning that happens inside the classroom," said Conley. "I have learned that when a child knows that you care about them and that you are invested in making their learning engaging, they perform to the best of their ability."

Conley said her number-one goal as a teacher is to make learning fun for her students. "My favorite thing to do in my classroom is play games," she said. "The most rewarding thing is when the kids leave my classroom thinking that all we did was play, but little do they know they learned a new

skill!"

Conley has taught for six years with four of those at GES 4-5. She attended the University of Southern Mississippi, where she earned a degree in tourism management, before completing her elementary education degree at William Carey University.

Conley is married to Steven Conley, with whom she has three children. Triston and Sims are in third and first grade respectively at GES, and Eliza is two years old.

"I am really thankful for the opportunity to work in this district, especially at the Upper Elementary School," Conley said. "The support that we receive at this school from administration, colleagues, and parents is like no other."

Five other teachers across the district were nominated for Teacher of the Year. Those who were also honored as their school's Teacher of the Year were Martha Reyes (Grenada Elementary, PreK-3), Tiffany Griffin, (Grenada Middle School), Jessica Lynn Grantham (Grenada High School), Michelle Downs (Grenada Technical and Career Center), and Monica Reece (Grenada Enrichment and Transition Center).

2021 GSD Retirees



GSD retirees were honored with a reception in the high school cafeteria. Retirees in attendance were: (front, l to r) Nancy Anderson- 34 years; Laura Byrd- 38 years; Doreen Williamson- 13 years; Fawn King- 22.75 years; (back, l to r) Dean Miers - 35.75 years; Charles Washington- 40 years; James McClain- 14.5 years; (not pictured) Suzanne Angle, Belinda Bradshaw, Deborah Brown, Annie Gholston, Hazel Hendricks, Patricia Hood, Josephine Hughes, Kim McCalop, Florence Peacock, Diana Salley, Valinda Smith, Debra Stephens, Marvis Watson, Kim McCalop, Alecia Shelton, Jeff Pickle, and Dosha Kitt.

Alumni Spotlight

Ron L. Blanch - GHS Class of 1987



By Jamie Kornegay
GSD Reporter

After enlisting in the Army at the age of 17, Ron Blanch (Class of 1987) graduated from Grenada High School and went straight to work in the dining facility at Schofield Barracks near Honolulu, Hawaii. He chose food services because he thought it would be easy, but never dreamed his military career would span 30 years, multiple continents, and that he'd retire at the rank of lieutenant colonel as an acquisition officer before working in counterintelligence for the Department of Defense.

Blanch credits a strong foundation of family, faith, and friends in Grenada with his prolific work life, which continues to present new opportunities to learn and to

serve his country.

The son of Hal and Elma Bowdry Blanch, Ron Blanch recalls several influential people outside the family who inspired him as a kid. "For starters, my first grade teacher, Mrs. Springfield," Blanch says. "She provided that initial guidance as a hands-on teacher and mother figure."

Christopher Weathers was a family friend who seemed like an older brother to Blanch. "Chris was someone who carried himself well and someone I could always look up to as a role model." Similarly, Derwin Dewayne Bibbs was like a brother. The two men have remained close friends throughout Blanch's military career and life. "Wayne is someone that I talk to daily and he provided me with various knowledge and guidance on different matters regardless of the situation."

Finally, Blanch credits Coach Herman Sanders, his football and track coach. "He saw something in me I didn't see in myself," he recalls. "He showed great leadership on and off the field, and he told me that I could be whoever I wanted to be and go where I wanted to go."

Blanch believed he could excel in college, but he always knew it would be a difficult financial burden on his single mother. He had a cousin who had made it in the military, so when as a high-school senior, Blanch enlisted in the Army and went straight to work after graduation.

Following three years of active duty service, Blanch enlisted in the South Carolina National Guard and served seven years and, under the G.I. Bill, he finally

got the chance to attend college. His two years of study at Midland Technical began a long, enriching journey through higher education, including a transfer to the University of South Carolina, where he earned a degree in criminal justice and social work.

Blanch was selected for the Army active duty Officers Candidate School and was commissioned as a second lieutenant Quartermaster Officer. Later he joined the Acquisition Corps, organizing specialized projects to keep soldiers equipped and improving supply efficiency. The various projects and positions gave the opportunity to learn new things and to see the world — Africa, Iraq, Afghanistan, Kuwait, Korea, Pakistan, Colorado, and Virginia.

Blanch settled in Virginia, where he retired from active military service in 2017. He currently serves as a project manager with the Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA), an arm of the Department of Defense that protects against attacks on the federal workforce, technology, and information.

He is also President and CEO for Helping Hands Veteran & Non-Veteran Consulting, a non-profit organization that helps veterans find jobs and make VA claims, among other specialties.

As a mentor, Blanch says that he stresses education as one of the most critical steps toward self-improvement. "Always look for opportunities to further your education," he says. "Stay up to date with what's going on in the world."

Blanch says he was well-prepared for

life after the Army because he was able to secure multiple degrees with no debt, including a Master of Arts in Computer Resources and Information Management and Cybersecurity from Webster University.

He began to focus on information technology many years ago because he saw where society was headed. "I realized technology would drive the world, between artificial intelligence and machine learning."

Another valuable piece of advice he often gives is, "Time doesn't wait on anyone. If you have a dream or something that you want to do in life, make a plan and go after it."

He often cites this quote from Denzel Washington: "Dreams without goals are just dreams."

Blanch lives in Virginia with his family and often visits Grenada to check on his mother. He remains excited about his different pursuits and the many roads still open to him.

But he often looks back to where it all started in Grenada.

"My military experience not only changed my life, it changed my entire family," Blanch says. "As a little boy from Grenada, I always told my mother, from a very young age, that I would buy her a home one day. Well, my mother moved into her first home a few years ago. And she deserved it for all the hard work and sacrifice she gave me and my family."

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And, of course, we received high marks for the way we've incorporated PLTW curriculum at every school, with mention of how we're involving local business and industry. Our success with these classes — from robotics to biomedical to multiple areas of engineering — have made Grenada a model district to showcase the program's effectiveness to other schools throughout the state. We even hosted a PLTW teacher-training session in 2019 that coincided with an exhibition where teachers, along with state and local business and government leaders, toured classrooms and marveled at our innovative classroom environments.

Finally, the Community Award citation mentioned GSD's effective response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Not only did they commend our ambitious learning options of traditional, virtual, and hybrid, they gave special notice to our food distribution program, hotspot access, and library of video classroom lessons as factors that helped the community rebound and stay ahead in difficult times.

In the end, awards are gratifying and encouraging, but the real proof of our success can be quantified by student performance. We can also witness the ripple effect in our community.

We are fortunate to have many community groups, families, businesses, and industries that work with the schools in Grenada to support learning. Our commitment to working together fosters positive changes in the students' everyday experience. In this environment, students tend to do better in school, stay in school longer, and enjoy school more.

21st Century Community Learning Summer Program



Summer skills and tutoring class were held during the month of June as part of Grenada School District's 21st Century Community Learning program. The popular summer program gives students an opportunity to learn new craft skills and strengthen classroom lessons in a lively environment that feels more like summer camp than school. The 21st Century summer classes were available for the first time this year to students in K-3 and 4-5 at Grenada Elementary's Red and Green Top school. (Photo left) At the Red Top, Ryleigh Stewart brushed up on second-grade math in the activity-centered tutoring class led by Amanda Cobb. Students from Grenada Middle and High Schools attended sessions at the Grenada Career and Technical Center to learn such disciplines as cooking, auto repair, welding, pottery, archery, weightlifting, and podcasting. (Photo right) Sixth grader Josanna Harvey experimented with 3D pens and 3D paper designs in the Photoshop/Media Design class, taught by Robbie Buchanan.

GSD Student Supply Lists

This supply list has been approved by the Board of Trustees. No items will be added to this list without superintendent approval. No teacher without specific written approval from the superintendent may require students to purchase any supplies. The following list is a list of optional supplies to be used by each student. There is no requirement that a parent provide these materials, however, the children would make good use of these items. (This is not a fee.) The principals of each school compiled and approved this list based on student age, grade, and school appropriateness.

Grenada Elementary School Student Supply List Pre-K - TBA

Grenada Elementary School K & 1st Student Supply List Principal Cole Surrell

Student Tools

8 Line Writing Tablets
Crayons
Pencils
Journal/Planner
Paper Plates
Blunt Tip Scissors
Glue Sticks (glue)

Organizational

Folders with pockets and brads
Clear or Mesh Backpack/book bag
Pencil Pouch/School Box
Zip lock bags

Other Items:
Nap pad or Towel

Grenada Elementary School 2-3 Student Supply List Principal Cole Surrell

Student Tools

3 Ring Binder
Spiral Notebook
Loose Leaf paper
Crayons
Colored Pencils
Markers
Index Cards
Pencils
Journal/Planner
Construction Paper
Glue Sticks
Blunt Tip Scissors

Organizational

Folders with pockets and brads
Clear or Mesh Backpack/book bag
Pencil Pouch/School Box
Zip lock bags

Grenada Elementary School 4-5 Student Supply List Principal Carol Tharpe

Student Tools

3 Ring Binder
Loose Leaf paper
Crayons
Pencils
Colored Pencils
Pens

Organization

Dividers (5 or more)
Clear or Mesh Backpack/Book Bag

Grenada Middle School (6-8) Student Supply List Principal Marshall Whitmore

Student Tools

3 Ring Binder
Spiral Notebook
Loose Leaf paper
Pencils

Organization

Dividers (5 or more)
Clear or Mesh Backpack/Book Bag

Grenada High School (9-12) Student Supply List Principal Emily Tindall

Student Tools

3 Ring Binder
Spiral Notebook
Loose Leaf paper
Markers
Pencils
Colored Pencils
Pens
Erasers

Organization

Dividers (5 or more)
Clear or Mesh Backpack/Book Bag



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Meet the Teacher August 4, 2021

Elementary - K & 2nd Grade 9:00 - 11:00

Elementary - 1st, 3rd, 4th, & 5th Grade 1:00 - 3:00

Middle - 6th Grade 10:00 - 12:00

Middle - 7th & 8th 1:00 - 3:00

GHS - 11th & 12th 10:00 - 12:00

GHS - 9th & 10th - 1:00 - 3:00



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Computer Science Expands at GHS This Fall



By Jamie Kornegay
GSD Reporter

Grenada teachers and administrators are looking for students with a knack for computers to help lead the charge in the district's ongoing mission to enhance science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) skills. The mission is making great strides this upcoming school year with new classes and clubs in the field of computer science.

At Grenada High School, Ninth Grade Principal Ezzard Beane said he has been

recruiting students to sign up for the new Computer Science Principles course this fall. The class will be taught by Ryan Melton, who built a successful robotics program at the middle school.

Melton has spent the summer moving from GMS to a new computing lab in the Grenada Career and Technical Center. He will continue to teach seventh- and eighth-grade Project Lead the Way (PLTW) classes in robotics and biomedical science in addition to the new Computer Science class for students in grade 10-12.

Melton said the new advanced computer class will teach students to write code using the Python coding language, which is popular among some of the biggest tech companies like Google, Yahoo, and Facebook. "They will be creating programs that allow them to collect sensor data, create games, and they will learn to troubleshoot code to find errors," he said.

"Now for the really cool part ... we will be incorporating battle bots into this class!"

The battle bots portion of the class will challenge students to design, build, and program robots from scratch, which they will pit against each other in a combat arena.

Melton said his new, larger classroom at GCTC will include a "maker's space" with 3D printers, a CNC precision-cutting machine, VR headsets, and a laser cutter/engraver. "This room will allow the students to design and create anything they can imagine!"

Melton said the battle bot competitions will begin in the classroom, but ultimately students will travel to events in surrounding states, where they will compete against teams from around the country.

Melton said the computer science program received a major boost this summer from a grant awarded by PLTW and Lockheed Martin, the aerospace, defense, and technology company. The grant will make it possible to offer PLTW's Cyber-

security class as part of the new curriculum. Melton said the pilot class for this new program could be offered as soon as the spring semester.

Cybersecurity is one of the fastest-growing tech industries, and some students at GHS have already had their introduction.

Earlier this year, GHS students from Chief Newtroin Foreman's NJROTC unit participated in CyberPatriot, a program from the Air Force Association that trains students in cybersecurity techniques.

In their third year at GHS, Foreman's group performed well last spring at the nation's largest cyber defense competition, which is the focal piece of the CyberPatriot program. Teams were presented a hypothetical scenario in which they were challenged to find and fix network vulnerabilities while maintaining services at a fictional company. The team finished first among the state's other Navy units and second overall in the state.

"Not bad for having just three computers devoted to this project," Foreman said. "Our students will be attending a special training camp this summer that will hopefully take us to the next level in the competition."

Principal Beane said the competitive element of these classes plays a vital role by drawing kids into the classroom and developing their skills. "Competition really gets their creativity flowing," he said.

Foreman plans to extend his CyberPatriot program to include two teams, one for his NJROTC members and a second team for anyone else at GHS who is interested in competing without enrolling in the military program.

Another new group on campus this fall will be Girls Who Code, organized by GHS teacher Lisa Jones. Girls Who Code is a national organization that seeks to bridge the gender gap in the field of computer science by providing a comfortable environment where girls can learn computing in an open, diverse setting. That mission is being achieved through online advocacy, in-person training camps, college groups and grade-school clubs like the one at GHS.

"My plan is to start off with the basics of coding and work our way up as the year progresses," said Jones, who is currently one of only a handful of teachers chosen to participate in a two-year C-Spire Academy program that trains instructors how to teach programming. "I have a few robots that I will be using as well for basic coding practice. It is very important to understand the basics before you jump into creating a webpage."

Jones said she hopes to meet with club members after school on days when tutoring is available to ensure that bus transportation will be available after the session.

These clubs, teams, and classes are all new ways that GSD continues to expand its STEM curriculum while preparing students for lucrative jobs in the future. "With cybersecurity in huge demand right now, and all the computers and robots doing manual labor in industry, the job market will be flooded with opportunities for programmers," said Beane.

Students and parents interested in signing up for the Computer Science class or joining the clubs and teams mentioned here should contact their school counselor or administrator.

GSD Registration

New Students

New Student (students who did not attend Grenada School last year)

www.grenadak12.com

Click on Registration Tab at the top of the page in Yellow

Here you will find the getting started videos as well as the types of proof of physical address that are accepted

Returning Students

The MS Dept. Of Education is allowing a residency proof waiver for the 2021-2022 school year. This Does Not Apply to Parent/Guardians that used an Affidavit last year.

If Your Address IS The Same As Last Year,

You may complete the residency waiver form found in registration.

You must complete a waiver form for each student.

Go to the ActiveParent Website ms2220.activeparent.net

> Click the Registration Icon in the Top Right >

Choose your student > Link to the waiver will be below > Click the link for your student's grade. > Complete the form > ***The Waiver Signature must match the name on the proofs from last year.*** >

You're Done!

If your address has changed or you registered with an affidavit last year,

Complete registration as normal. Please go to grenadak12.com for instructions.

Grenada School District 2021/2022 Bus Routes

It is impossible to travel every street or road and stop at every house where children live. Bus drivers will be instructed to establish pick up points within a neighborhood where children can gather to board the bus. They will also be let off at these points in the afternoon. If you have any questions regarding routes or pick up points, feel free to call the Transportation Department at 662-226-3771 or Benji Britt at 662-614-2552. (Routes are subject to change)

Route 1 – Bus 68

1st trip - Chickasaw Drive, Whitehaven, Avenue of Pines, Monroe West of Commerce Grades K-5
2nd trip – Same area Grades 6-12
Afternoon - same routes and Reaching Rainbow Daycare Grades K-3 only.

Route 2 – Bus 7

W Pecan, W. Govan, Pine, Marshall behind Pennaco, Carpenter Subd, Westland Hills, Wooded Drive

Route 3 – Bus 40

One trip - Hickory Hills, Peppertree Apartments, Govan Street behind Pennaco, Thimmes Subdivision, Jones Circle, Kids Kastle Daycare

Route 4 – Bus 74

1st trip - Poplar from Hwy 8 to Fairfield, College street from Fairfield to Second street, Telegraph, Rayford, Gayosa, South Grades K-5
2nd trip – Same area Grades 6-12

Route 5 – Bus 20

Begin from corner of Fairfield and Poplar, to Margin, Boone, Lake and Barbee Streets Grades K-5
2nd trip - Same area Grades 6-12

Route 6 – Bus 22

1st trip – Fairground Rd N of Hwy 8, Dean Drive, Bledsoe St., Poplar, Pecan, Adams St. Grades K-5
2nd trip – Same area Grades 6-12

Route 7 – Bus 73 (Combined with 82)

1 st trip – Plum Grades K-5
2 nd trip – Same area Grades 6-12

Route 8 – Bus 72

1st trip – Mound St, Levee St, Berry St, Jefferson St, Walthall Ave, Snider St, College Blvd, Wood St, Jasper Neely Jr. Dr., Franklin St Grades K-5
2nd trip – Same area Grades 6-12

Route 9 – Bus 83

Oak Grove, Oak Meadows area, Eastview, East End Circle, Live Oak Dr., Mimososa Dr., Maple Lane, Vance Rd.
PM – Same routes

Route 10 – Bus 24

1st trip –Becky Street, Anderson Subdivision, Fox Street, Spain Drive, Brickyard Area, Kershaw, and Bryant Street, Mary Ave, Martha Dr, Grades K-5
2nd trip - Same area Grades 6-12

Route 11 – Bus 85

1st trip – Brickyard Area, Kershaw, and Bryant Street Grades K-5
2nd trip – Same area Grades 6-12

Route 12 – Bus 35

1st trip – West side of MLK from Eddie Street to Tower Street, Pine Hill Apartments, Springhill Road, McMath Apartments, Rayford Street Grades K-5
2nd trip - Same area Grades 6-12

Route 13 – Bus 80

1st trip - Washington St, Washington Gdn Apts to Latham St, Pine Hill St Grades K-5
2nd trip - Same area Grades 6-12

Route 14 – Bus 8

1st trip - Washington Gdn Apts beginning at Apt E, Washington St., Mc-Math Apts, Cemetery St Grades K-5
2nd trip - Same area Grades 6-12

Route 15 – Bus 13

Line Street (Lizzy Horne School Area), Lynch Street, Pearl Street from Lynch to Levee and Levee to Fourth Grades K-5
2 nd trip - Same area Grades 6-12

Route 16 – Bus 82

1st trip - Union, Pearl, Cherry W of Commerce St. to Gayosa St Grades K-5
2nd trip - Same area Grades 6-12

Route 17 – Bus 49

1st trip – Line, South, Union, Cherry, Pearl Street, from College Street to Commerce Street Grades K-5
2nd trip - Same area Grades 6-12

Route 18 – Bus 42

Monroe Trailer Court Area, Van Dorn Street, Thomas Street, Lamar Street, Fairground Road S of Hwy 8 for Grades K-5, Meadowbrook Rd East of Hwy 51 South, Gatlin Trailer Court, Powell St., Long St., Pass St., Borden St., Jones Road

Route 19 – Bus 71

One trip - Hwy 8 East to Futheyville, EJ Henry Rd., River Rd., Sycamore Circle, Birdsong Cove, O'Brien Hill Road area

Route 20 – Bus 4

1st trip – Sundown area, Sundown Gardens Grades 4-5
2nd trip – Sundown area, Sundown Gardens Grades 6-8

Route 21 – Bus 46

1st trip – Sundown area, Sundown Gardens Grades K-3
2nd trip – Sundown area, Sundown Gardens Grades 9-12

Route 22 – Bus 63

One trip – Dowdle Road, Apple Valley Road, Greer Road, Days Inn Road, Cavalier Apts.
Afternoon Only – K-5 students need to ride Bus #5 to GHS and get on Bus #57 there

Route 23 – Bus 70

One trip - Wildlife League Road, Hwy 8 to Hugh White Road, Cedar Hills, Knoxville area

Route 24 – Bus 15

One trip - Lamb Road, Fort Hill Area, Hebron Church Road, Clay Road Area, Overland Drive, include Hwy 8 East to Hugh White and Hugh White Road Area, Deerfield Subdivision

Route 25 – Bus 51

One trip – Graysport Road, Sheridan Estates, Rolling Hills, Red Grass Road, Hwy 8 to Wildlife League Road

Route 26 – Bus 65

Graysport Road, North of Lake

Route 27 – Bus 76

One trip – Pleasant Hill Road, Martin Farm area, Hwy 8 East of Gore Springs, Dividing Ridge Road, Butputter Road, Mando Road, Millhouse Road

Route 28 – Bus 31

One trip - Pleasant Grove Road to Webster County Line, Hankins Circle Area, Dr. King Dr, Hwy 8 to Roadside Park, Old Academy Rd, Gore Springs Rd, Providence Rd
Afternoon Only – Transfer staff children from Middle and High School to Upper and Lower Elementary

Route 29 – Bus 54

One trip - Red Hill Area, Alva Road, Misterton Road, Chapel Hill Road, Dixon Road, Providence Road South, Greensboro Road, Honeycutt Road McCormick/Grant Road, Tie Plant School Area Grades K-5 only

Route 30 – Bus 56

One trip - Nat G. Troutt Rd. East of Elliott, Legion Rd., and Minga Subdivision

Route 31 – Bus 39

One trip – Murff Drive, McCain Estates, Glenwild Road Grades
Afternoon only – Reaching Rainbow Daycare Grades 4-5

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Route 32 – Bus 78

One trip - Bolton Hill Road, Sayles Road, Hwy 51 South, Elliott Area, Country Ridge Road, Farmington Apartments

Route 33 – Bus 26

One trip - Dogwood Park Apartments (AM ONLY)

Route 34 – Bus 21

Sunnycrest Subdivision, Provine Trailer Park, Koppers Drive, Dogwood Park Apartments (PM ONLY)

Route 35 – Bus 75

One trip – Halls Road (Nat G Trout Road to Mondy Road), Pebblecreek Road, Griffis Road, Perry Road, Jackson Avenue Ext.

Route 36 – Bus 32

1 st trip - Mondy Road, Windmere Street, Halls Road (End of Mondy Road to Carrollton Road)
Grades K-5
2 nd trip - Same area Grades 6-12

Route 37 – Bus 50

One trip - Carrollton Road, Perry Estates, Bountiful Blessing Daycare

Route 38 – Bus 77

One trip - Southeast of Hwy 35 along Sweethome Road, Billups Road, Loden Road, Nason Road, Mr. Carmel Church Road, Shelby Chapel Road, Meadow Brook Road west of Hwy 51

Route 39 – Bus 52

One trip - Sweethome Road, from Highway 8 to Shelby Chapel Road

Route 40 – Bus 5

One trip – Nelia Rd., Sweethome /Holcomb Rd., Sims Farm Road Area, Dubard Road, Gillon Rd, Salem Church Road, Cobb Rd
Afternoon Only - Transport Bus #63 K-5 students to GHS

Route 41 – Bus 47

One trip - Hwy 35 South, Sparta Road, Hillside Church Road, Tuscohomia Road south of South Main Street

Route 42 – Bus 25

One trip – Sparta Road to Hillside Road, Childs Road, Holcomb area east of Sparta Road

Route 43 – Bus 67

One trip – Tuscohomia Church Road, Powell Street, Tidwell Street, Whitfield Road, Browns Road, Holcomb South Main, Tuscohomia Church Road, Loggins Road, Kingsberry Road

Route 44 – Bus 48

One trip – Leflore area, Goodson Road, Malmaison Road, Hwy 7 to Holcomb, Hwy 8 at Holcomb

Route 45 – Bus 41

One trip – Browns Road, Long Creek Road, Mays Road, Proctor Road, Carpenter Road, Old Hardy Road, Revell Road, Hwy 51 from Carpenter Road to Paper Mill Road

Route 46 – Bus 18

One trip - Pea Ridge Road, Mitchell Road, Strider Road
Afternoon Only – Lake City Kids Daycare

Route 47 – Bus 30 (AM) /6 (PM)

One trip - Hwy 51 North, Lake Ridge Road, Hardy Road, Tarnell Road, Geeslin Road

Route 48 – Bus 79

One trip – Community Road, Riverdale Road, Hwy 7 East of 51, Archie Jackson Road, Wilbourn Road

Route 49 – Bus 2

One Trip – Eastern Heights Subdivision, Moose Lodge Road Grades K-12

Route 50 – Bus 16

One trip – Wright’s Grocery Area, Scenic Loop 333, Hwy 332, Airport Circle Area

Route 51 – Bus 81

1st trip - Ranch Schoolhouse Daycare / Ray of Hope Daycare / People With A Purpose Daycare
2nd trip - Tie Plant Area

Route 52 – Bus 87

One trip - Handicapped Bus to all schools

Route 53 – Bus 86

One trip - Handicapped Bus to all schools

Route 54– Bus 36

One trip - Handicapped Bus to all schools

Route 55 – Bus 91

One trip - Handicapped Bus to all schools

Route 56 – Bus 89

One trip - Handicapped Bus to all schools

Route 57 – Bus 88

One trip - Handicapped Bus to all schools

Route 58 – Bus 3

One trip - Handicapped Bus to all schools

Route 59 – Bus 37 (STAFF KIDS Afternoon Only)

1st trip – Staff kids from Upper and Lower Elementary to Old Central Office, Vo-Tech, Middle and High School
2nd trip – Middle School to Boys & Girls Club

Afternoon Only – ALL GED students are to ride Bus #54 from Tie Plant School to GHS then transfer to their regular bus.

Afternoon Only - ALL Alternative students are to ride Bus #57 from Tie Plant School to GHS then transfer to their regular bus.

DAYCARE BUSES

- BUS # 18 – LAKE CITY KIDS (Bus # 33 in the mornings)
- BUS # 68 (K-3) – REACHING RAINBOW
- BUS # 31 (4-5) – REACHING RAINBOW
- BUS # 7 – MRS. FREEMONS
- BUS # 40 – KIDS KASTLE
- BUS # 81 – RANCH SCHOOL HOUSE, RAY OF HOPE, PEOPLE WITH A PURPOSE
- BUS # 42 – MRS. MARYS
- BUS # 50 (K-5) – BOUNTIFUL BLESSINGS (Bus # 33 in the mornings)
- BUS # 46 – ABUNDANT LIFE (K-3)
- BUS # 4 – ABUNDANT LIFE (4-5)
- BUS # 82 – FIRST NEW HOPE DAY CARE
- BUS # 54 – LITTLE GENERATIONS (Bus # 33 in the mornings)
- TRANSFER BUSES (AFTERNOON ONLY)
- BUS# 37 WILL TRANSPORT STAFF KIDS FROM UPPER AND LOWER ELEMENTARY TO THE OLD CENTRAL OFFICE, VO-TECH, MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL
- BUS# 75 WILL TRANSPORT STAFF KIDS FROM THE LOWER ELEMENTARY TO THE UPPER ELEMENTARY
- BUS# 31 WILL TRANSPORT STAFF KIDS FROM THE MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL TO THE UPPER AND LOWER ELEMENTARY

- BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB TRANSPORTATION (AFTERNOON ONLY)
- BUS# 76 – GRADES K-3
- BUS# 31 – GRADES 4-5
- BUS# 37 – GRADES 6-8

GHS Class Schedule Pick Up

Wednesday, July 28, 2021

Seniors - 9:00 - 11:30 A.M.

Juniors - 1:00 - 3:30 P.M.

Thursday, July 29, 2021

Sophomores - 9:00 - 11:30 A.M.

Freshmen - 1:00 - 3:30 P.M.

GSD Mandatory Dress Code for Traditional Students

General Guidelines

Students are to be in compliance with the dress code policy including proper grooming and neatness before entering the building and at ALL times on campus and school buses. The principal will determine what constitutes distracting influences in the matter of dress and grooming and reserves the right to make modifications as needed. Altering the policy in any way is prohibited. If a style of dress or appearance is, in the opinion of the administration, disruptive to the educational process, constitutes a potential threat to the safety or health of the student or other persons, is unusually provocative, or contradicts the intent of the policy, it shall not be permitted. The District's dress code is established to teach hygiene, instill discipline, and prevent and avoid safety hazards.

General Dress Code Data

- The construction would be of high quality, wash-n-wear, or permanent press fabric.
- Shirts would be worn tucked into pants, skirts, or shorts.
- All clothing would fit appropriately. Oversized and extremely tight fitting clothing would be prohibited.
- No head coverings of any type would be allowed including, hats, caps, bandanas, and sunglasses
- No fabric should have holes or be frayed
- No leggings
- No boots with shorts, skirts, or skorts

*Clothing, jewelry, or other ornamentation advertising or depicting drugs, alcohol, tobacco, gang symbols, profanity/obscenities, or that which is sexually suggestive is prohibited.

**All questions relating to the mandatory dress code shall be determined by each school principal.

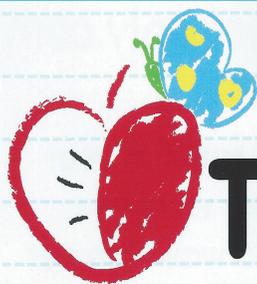
Dress Code Color Description

CLOTHING CATEGORY	RED	WHITE	NAVY BLUE	KHAKI	BLUE JEANS	BLACK	BROWN
Pants or Capris			X	X	X		
Shirts	X	X	X				
Sweaters (Long Sleeve) or Sweater Vests	X	X	X				
Undershirt (T-Shirt)		X					
Skirts			X	X	X		
Shorts or Skorts			X	X	X		
Belts			X	X		X	X
Socks	X	X	X	X		X	X
Shoes	See	Next	Page				
Coats / Jackets / Raingear	See	Next	Page				

Pants or Capri Pants	Dress or Casual	Cotton, Denim or Twill	-Solid color with no logos, emblems, pins, or patches unless G.S.D. approved logo is used -Styles should NOT include low riders (will allow modest hip huggers) -No corduroy, sweat suit, wind suit, baggy pants, cargo, or carpenter pants -No pockets on sides of legs. -Back Pockets may be plain or with stitching (2 color limit-including color holding pocket to pant) -No sagging, oversized, or extremely tight fitting pants-NO Leggings -Must fit at the waist with a front waistband and belt loops (may be pleated or unpleated; cuffed or uncuffed and not frayed) -Length may not exceed the bottom of the shoe or be tucked into boots or socks -Rubber bands or rolling pant legs will not be allowed *EXCEPTION: K-3 may or may not wear elastic with or without a belt or belt loops
Shirts	Pull Over/ Polo Type or Oxford Cloth (Button up)	Cotton or Poly Blend	-Solid color with no logos, emblems, pins, or patches unless G.S.D. approved logo is used -Must have collar and may be long or short sleeve (with or without pockets) -No more than 2 buttons may be unfastened -All Male/Female students K-12 must have shirts tucked in (belt must be seen) -Button up shirts with collars (with or without button down collars) -No Sweatshirts -Short sleeved shirts should never be worn over a long sleeved shirt
Sweaters	Pull Over (Long Sleeve Only)	Cotton, Wool or Poly Blend	-Solid color with no logos, emblems, pins, or patches unless G.S.D. approved logo is used -Must be a crew neck collar (round neck), Turtleneck, Mock Turtleneck, V-neck or cardigan (Cardigan and V-Neck must be worn over clothing.) -Long sleeve only with the exception of Sweater VESTS which must be worn over a long sleeve shirt in the appropriate colors (No Sweatshirts) -Must not fall more than 2" below belt -May not be worn tied around the neck, waist or any other part of the body
Undershirt	T-Shirt	Cotton	-Short sleeved and may be worn underneath and tucked in
Skirts, Shorts or Skorts	Dress or Casual	Cotton, Denim or Twill	-Solid color with no logos, emblems, pins, or patches unless G.S.D. approved logo is used -Styles should NOT include low riders (but will allow modest hip huggers) -No corduroy, sweat suit, wind suit, baggy pants, cargo, or carpenter shorts -No pockets on sides of legs -No sagging, oversized, or extremely tight fitting skirts/shorts/skorts -Must fit at waist with waistband & belt loops (may or may not be pleated; cuffed or not) -Length shall come no higher than 2" from the top of the knee -Skirts must not have a slit higher than the top of the knee *EXCEPTION: K-3 may wear elastic or no elastic with a belt or no belt, belt loops or not
Belts	Plain	Leather or Cloth	-Solid color with no logos, emblems, pins, or patches unless G.S.D. approved logo is used -Simple and plain belt and buckle style (holes in belt are allowed) -Length cannot exceed the buckle by more than 6 inches -Must be worn with pants, shorts or any bottoms *EXCEPTION: K-1 require NO belts; 2-3 require a belt only if bottoms have belt loops; and 4-12 MUST have bottoms with belt loops and a belt
Socks	Plain	Cotton or Twill	-Solid color with no logos, emblems, pins, or patches unless G.S.D. approved logo is used -Both socks should be a matched pair
Shoes	Dress or Athletic	Leather, Cloth or Plastic	-Should not have heels higher than 2 inches -Must be worn at all times and laces and straps should be tied and attached to the shoes -No flip flops, house shoes, shower shoes or shoes with wheels -Slip on shoes (including sandals) must be enclosed in the back or have a strap to secure the shoe on the foot -Both shoes should be a matched pair -NO boots with shorts, skorts, or skirts
Coats / Jackets / Raingear	ANY	ANY	-Coats/Jackets must be no longer than mid-thigh, but must reach waist -Jackets must have sleeves that reach the wrist and may have hoods -NO pullover sweatshirts or windbreakers-MUST zip, snap, or button up the front -Hoods may be worn only on the bus and when changing classes outside -May not be worn tied around the neck, waist or any other part of the body
Jewelry	ANY	ANY	-No large (over 2") jewelry on necklaces or large (over 2") earrings (on girls) -No embellishments in mouth or on teeth unless required by a doctor/dentist -No large/heavy chains, studded or spiked jewelry -Chains should not extend farther than 6" from the neck -No body piercings jewelry on the face -No Neck Ties or hats of any kind *EXCEPTION: Girls may wear earrings in their ears

>>>Clothing that is one or two sizes ABOVE or BELOW your normal size should not be worn.<<<

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
August	2 ONLINE REGISTRATTON HELP WILL BE AVAILABLE 8:00am - 4:00pm Professional Development 8:00am - 3:15pm General Faculty Meeting in GHS Auditorium with Reception to follow in Cafeteria 8:30am - 12:00pm Band: Full Band Rehearsal 3:00pm - 6:00pm	3 ONLINE REGISTRATTON HELP WILL BE AVAILABLE 8:00am - 4:00pm Professional Development 8:00am - 3:15pm Band: Full Band Rehearsal 3:00pm - 6:00pm	4 ONLINE REGISTRATTON HELP WILL BE AVAILABLE 8:00am - 4:00pm Professional Development 8:00am - 3:15pm	5 Students First Day Of School ONLINE REGISTRATTON HELP WILL BE AVAILABLE 8:00am - 4:00pm	6 ONLINE REGISTRATTON HELP WILL BE AVAILABLE 8:00am - 4:00pm	7
	9 Band: Drum Major Sectional 3:30pm - 5:15pm GHS: Volleyball vs Pillow Academy 5:00 & 6:00 5:00pm Band: Chaperone Meeting/Concession Stand Clean Up - All interested parents 5:30 in Band Hall 5:30pm Band: Beat the Heat 6:00pm - 8:30pm	10 Band: Battery Percussion and Sectionals 3:40pm - 5:15pm School Board Meeting 6:00pm	11 Band: Full Band Rehearsal 3:40pm - 5:15pm	12 Band: Front Ensemble 3:40pm - 5:15pm	13	14 Band: Percussion Rehearsal in Band Hall & Guard Rehearsal in GHS Gym 9:00am - 5:00pm
5	16 Band: Drum Major Sectional 3:30pm - 5:15pm Band: Beat the Heat 6:00pm - 8:30pm	17 Band: Battery Percussion and Sectionals 3:40pm - 5:15pm GHS: Volleyball vs Eupora 5:00 & 6:00 5:00pm	18 Band: Full Band Rehearsal 3:40pm - 5:15pm	19 Band: Front Ensemble 3:40pm - 5:15pm GHS: Volleyball at Starkville 5:00 & 6:00 5:00pm	20 GHS: Football Jamboree at Oxford 7:00pm	21 GHS: Volleyball at Water Valley Tournament Lion's Band Training for Color Guard, Dancers, and Drum Majors- Band Hall, GHS Gym, GHS Aud. 8:00am - 1:00pm
4	23 Band: Drum Major Sectional 3:30pm - 5:15pm Band: Beat the Heat 6:00pm - 8:30pm	24 Band: Battery Percussion and Sectionals 3:40pm - 5:15pm GHS: Volleyball at Tupelo 5:30 & 6:30 5:30pm	25 Band: Full Band Rehearsal 3:40pm - 5:15pm	26 Band: Front Ensemble 3:40pm - 5:15pm GHS: Volleyball at Eupora 5:00 & 6:00 5:00pm	27 GHS: Football vs. Horn Lake 7:00pm	28
9	30 Band: Drum Major Sectional 3:30pm - 5:15pm GHS: Volleyball at Winona 5:00 & 6:00 5:00pm Band: Beat the Heat 6:00pm - 8:30pm	31 Band: Battery Percussion and Sectionals 3:40pm - 5:15pm GHS: Volleyball vs Horn Lake 5:00 & 6:00 5:00pm				



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GHS Volleyball Schedule

Date	Team	Place	Time
8/9	Pillow Academy	Home	5:00, 6:00
8/17	Eupora	Home	5:00, 6:00
8/19	Starkville	Away	5:00, 6:00
8/21	Water Valley Tournament	Away	TBA
8/24	Tupelo	Away	5:30, 6:30
8/26	Eupora	Away	5:00, 6:00
8/30	Winona	Away	5:00, 6:00
8/31	Horn Lake	Home	5:00, 6:00
9/7	East Webster	Away	5:00, 6:00
9/9	Tupelo	Home	5:30, 6:30
9/14	East Webster	Home	5:00, 6:00
9/16	Oxford	Away	5:00, 6:00
9/21	Starkville	Home	5:00, 6:00
9/23	Pillow Academy	Away	5:00, 6:00
9/28	Horn Lake	Away	5:00, 6:00
9/30	Oxford	Home	5:00, 6:00
10/4	Winona	Home	5:00, 6:00
10/5	South Panola	Away	5:00, 6:00

GHS Varsity Football Schedule

August 20	Jamboree	@ Oxford
August 27	Horn Lake	Home
September 3	Pontotoc	Away
September 10	Hernando	Away
September 17	Desoto Central	Home (Homecoming)
September 24	*Tupelo	Away
October 1	*Madison Central	Away
October 8	*Murrah	Home (Pink Out)
October 15	*Germantown	Home (Wounded Warrior)
October 22	*Clinton	Home
October 29	*Oxford	Away
November 5	*Starkville	Home (Senior Night)

2021-2022 GCTC Students of the Year

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(back, l to r) Greyson Harbin - Information Technology; Levi Goldwater - Carpentry; Archie Daves - Advanced Welding; Caleb Milam - Automotive, (front, l to r) Stephanie Keel-Health Science; Sadie Williams-Teacher Academy; Keajah Holloway-Culinary Arts 2



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