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BOARD BRIEFS

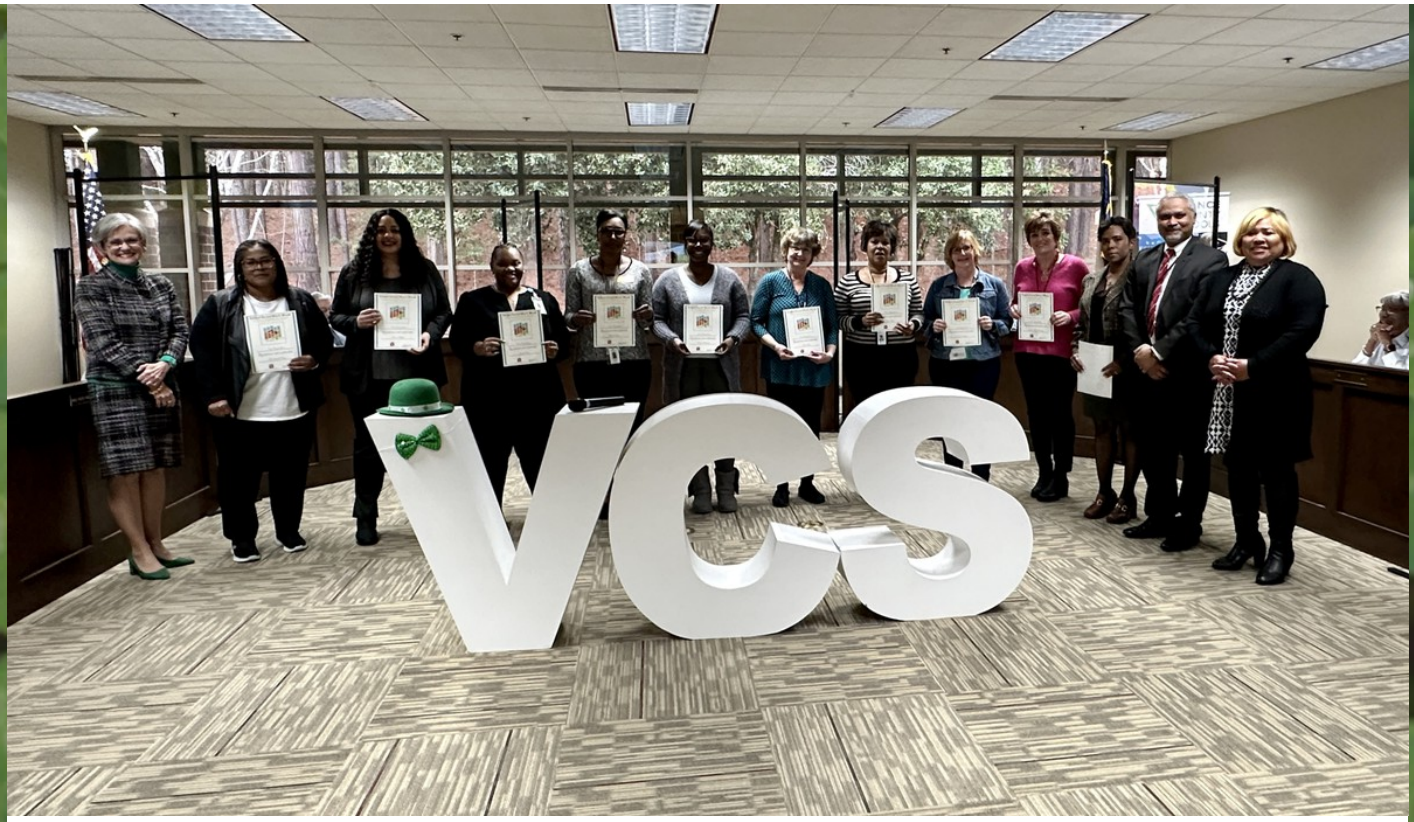


MARCH 2023

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Board Recognitions

Social Worker Appreciation



Honoring our VCS Social Workers

The Vance County Board of Education honored our school social workers, as National School Social Work Week is marked every first full week of March. Mr. Rey Horner shared his appreciation for their work in helping students achieve academic success, citing the Proclamation declared by Governor Roy Cooper.

School social workers work with teachers, parents, and school administrators. They help students deal with mental health and behavioral challenges and provide academic and classroom support. They also help in securing needs of our students and their families, as well as work with crisis interventions.

Viper Athletic Recognitions



Student Athletics and Teams Earn Conference Honors

The Board of Education recognized Viper athletes and teams that received conference honors. In the fall, Ruby Trejo earned All-Conference for volleyball. For soccer, Miguel Garcia, Mikyle Green and Wassem Hadi were recognized as All-Conference athletes. For Football, Head Coach Aaron Elliott was awarded the Conference Football Coach of the Year while Nazir Garrett was Conference Offensive Player of the Year. All-Conference honorees for football included Chris Jones, Isman Alston, Isreal Terry, Antrel Gibson, TJ Parham and Marquis Sanders. Winter sports finished strong with Nathaniel Durham and Tizarean Holden being recognized as Men's Basketball All-Conference. For Women's Basketball, All Conference honorees included Ja'Kiyah Evans, Sarah Baldwin and NaZiya Vandergrift.

Custodial Recognition



December Honorees



February Honorees

Vance County High School and LB Yancey were recognized for their February score

Carver and Advance Academy were recognized for their December score.

Custodial Staff Honors for High Ratings

The Board of Education recognized our Custodial and Maintenance staff. Each month, inspections are held at each of the buildings and scored for cleanliness. Tommy Kirkman of Safelle honored the top elementary and top secondary schools, alongside Marshall Burwell.

In December, the highest elementary score was Carver Elementary with 98.5. Advance Academy held the highest secondary score with 98.5. Most recently, the highest elementary inspection score for February went to LB Yancey Elementary with a score of 99.0. The highest secondary score went to Vance County High School with a score of 95.7.

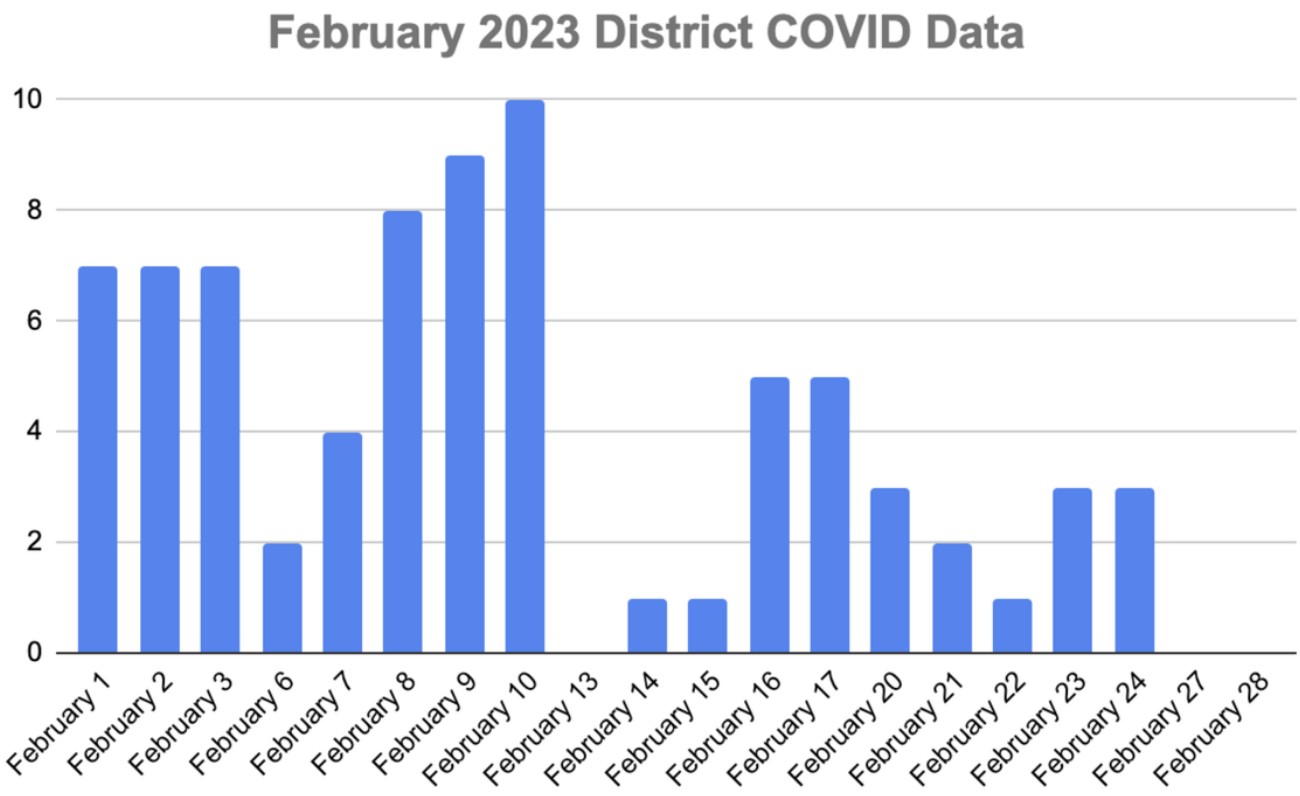
In the Fall, EO Young had the highest elementary score with 98.9. Carver narrowly missed the top spot at 98.5. The district had 8 elementary schools score an A. For secondary schools, Vance County Middle took the top place with a score of 95.3.

Superintendent's Report

COVID Dashboard: February 2023

Dr. Cindy Bennett, Superintendent, shared that the COVID-19 dashboard continues to be updated on the VCS website.

FEBRUARY 2023



CLIMB Center Opens

Children Learning to Improve and Manage Behaviors (CLIMB) is a center within Vance County Schools to support students in 4th and 5th grades who are faced with long term suspensions. The center opened February 27, 2023. The CLIMB Center is located at EM Rollins STEAM Academy. Dr. Ralphel Holloman, Sr. shared the details of the program, which include an Action Plan, with family engagement required for the program. The parents are involved in the process to support the work of the CLIMB Center. Transportation must be provided by the parents/guardian. The referral process comes from the principal initially. Students receive their classroom assignments, as well as social and emotional skills. If a child is suspended due to behavior issues, the CLIMB Behavior Specialist works with the student to introduce strategies and modifications in the level two tier of MTSS. Students must bring their device with them to the CLIMB Center. The program runs 8:30am-2pm.

Tailored Assistant Principal Symposium

Dr. Cindy Bennett shared the Tailored Symposium for Assistant Principals with the Board of Education. The AP's organized themselves into four teams and presented collective impact projects that aligned with district priorities. The district selected two projects, each funded at $12,500 each. Teams had to identify the issues and have data to back up their cause. One project that was selected focuses on literacy and the other on parent engagement. Each team developed



their budget, maintains data on their work and must fully implement the project, which will have a direct impact. The AP's are also receiving leadership CEUs through the Tailored AP program.

Summer Program Plan set for 2023

Superintendent Dr. Cindy Bennett shared the Summer Program Plan with the Board of Education. The summer program will afford our students the chance for remediation if they scored not proficient on the End-of-Grade or if the student completed and failed a course with an End-of-Course assessment for the 2022-2023 school year. The Extended School Year will offer students the opportunity to learn additional standards, as well as, the chance to reapply what they have learned and provide evidence of their comprehension of the content. Assessments include Grade 3-8 Math, Grades 4-8 Reading, Grade 5 Science, Grade 8 Science, Biology, Math 1, Math 3 and English 2. Additionally NCEXTEND1 testing is included. Program dates will be May 26-June 2 for Early Start Calendar and June 12-18 for Traditional and Year-Round Calendar.

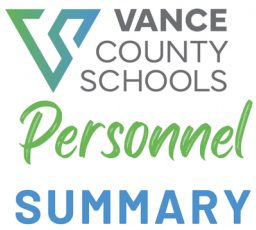
Board Business



Action Items by the Board of Education

The Board of Education voted and approved the following:

- Summer Program Plan
- Reality Works: real-life, hands-on learning opportunities for Early Childhood Education at Vance County High through the CTE department
- State supplement to be paid to qualified employees by June 30
- Outdoor billboard
- List the vacant Eaton Johnson Building on GovDeals with an upset bid process in place, with a reserve of $600,000
- List the vacant Western Vance Building on GovDeals with an upset bid process in place, with a reserve of $600,000



Personnel

The Board of Education approved 4 employment recommendations. We would like to formally welcome the following: Devin Stevenson (ASC), Tanijah Moore (Pinkston), LeShon Williams (VCHS) and Shekemia Jones (All Schools).

The Board accepted resignations for 10, retirement for 1, temporary/substitute employment for 8, 16 contracted services and transfer/promotions for 2, which includes Dr. Destiney Ross-Putney as

the Chief Instruction and Innovation Officer.



Student Transfer Requests

The Vance County Board of Education approved 6 requests to transfer into Vance County Schools.



Out of State Field Trips

Vance County Board of Education approved two out of state field trips.

- VCMS to the National Mall, Washington, DC on April 5, 2023 (6am-10pm)
- VCHS to Norfolk Naval Station / Langley AFB on May 5, 2023 (5:30am-8pm)

Next BOE Meeting will be April 3, 2023 at 6pm.

View the March 13, 2023 Board of Education Meeting

All meetings take place at 6pm at VCS Administrative Services Center.

April 3, 2023
May 8, 2023
June 5, 2023
July 10, 2023
August 14, 2023
September 11, 2023
October 9, 2023
November 20, 2023
December 11, 2023

Adopted by the Board of Education on December 12, 2022.

About Us

Vance County Schools, located in Henderson, NC serves students Pre-K through 12th grade, as well as Early College 5th year students. There are 16 schools served in our district.

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