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# The MakeWaves Monthly

We develop students to become the best versions of themselves, so they can transform the world.




## Superintendents' Message

As we begin a new year and semester, we are excited for the many events that are available for our parents and community. Little did we realize we would be "snowed in" for almost a week this month! Excitement was at all of our schools as we were recognized "Apple Distinguished District" on January 30th. This month we recognized our "Board of Education" and our appreciation for the job they do for our school system . We also expressed our immense gratitude to all of our dedicated "Bus Drivers", their attention to detail, and commitment to safety is nothing short of amazing for our students. We look forward in February for the Tuesday Tour (GSMS) on February 11th. Our entire district will be participating in Gulf Shores Gives Back on February 27th. More information will be coming your way concerning all the events we have planned for our district. As always, make plans to attend!

MakeWaves!

Dr. Matt Akin - Superintendent makin@gsboe.org
Dr. Stephanie Harrison - Assistant Superintendent sharrison@gsboe.org

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Health & Wellness




Athletics



Arts Education



Teaching & Learning

# Meet Our Student WaveMakers of the Month

**Elementary School**
**Hilton Mullenix**



**Grade -** 4th Grade

**Area of Recognition** -
Student Leadership

**I'm a WaveMaker because...**
I consider Hilton to be a Wave Maker because he shows leadership in all aspects of his school life. He sets a great example for his classmates by following our class and school wide expectations. You can always count on him to volunteer whenever there is a need. He is constantly monitoring his environment and looking for an opportunity to step up and help out. Hilton goes above and beyond to be respectful to his peers and his teachers. When I think of a student Wave Maker, I immediately envision Hilton Mullenix.
~Nominated by Mrs. Kristy Phillips~

**High School**
**Baylen Byrd**



**Grade** - 12th Grade

**Area of Recognition** -
Outstanding example of a Dolphin student-athlete

**I'm a WaveMaker because...**
I highly recommend Baylen Byrd for the Gulf Shores Wave Maker program. As Baylen's coach and teacher, I have had the pleasure of observing his exceptional qualities both on and off the field. Baylen demonstrates a remarkable blend of leadership, dedication, and enthusiasm—traits that I believe epitomize what our studentathletes should strive to be as they represent the Gulf Shores community. His commitment to excellence in all he undertakes is evident through his outstanding performance in athletics and his active involvement in our school community. Baylen approaches every challenge with a positive attitude and a strategic mindset. One of Baylen's most notable qualities is his ability to inspire and motivate his peers. Whether leading a team during a game or collaborating on a project, he exhibits an innate talent for bringing people together toward a common goal.
~Nominated by Coach Jason Hill~

**Middle School**
**Luca Dean**



**Grade** - 8th Grade

**Area of Recognition** -
Leadership

**I'm a WaveMaker because...**
Luca arrived at GSMS this year as an 8th grade transfer student. From day one, she has been a wonderful addition to our school family. She is very well-mannered, friendly, and an all-around excellent student.
Luca scored at the 11th Grade Level Equivalent on our December iReady Reading Diagnostic assessment. She scored at the mid-8th and 9th Grade Level Equivalent on the Math Diagnostic. Luca excels in all Honors/Advanced classes. She finished the first semester with a 95 or higher average in each of those classes. She is a member of our GSMS Chorus. She also serves as the manager for our GSMS basketball team. Mrs. Arnold says: "Luca is always prepared and ready to learn, showing kindness and a willingness to help others. Whether managing the basketball team, helping classmates, or staying focused on her studies, Luca sets a great example for everyone around her."
Mrs. Butler says: "This is my first year teaching Luca. She is an excellent and responsible student. She submits first rate work, has very pleasing manners, and she does what is right naturally. If all our students prepared and performed as Luca does our success rate would be even higher than it already is."
We are very proud of Luca and the standard that she sets for others to follow. She is a leader and an excellent candidate for our GSMS WaveMaker award!
~Nominated by Dr. Tim Webb~

**Virtual Academy**
**Coming February**

**Grade** -
**Area of Recognition** -

**I'm a WaveMaker because...**

**What is a WaveMaker? Someone who incites action or activity.**

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# Meet Our Staff WaveMaker of the Month

**Tanya Hill**
**Child Nutrition Program Coordinator**



**Elementary School**
**I'm a WaveMaker because…**
Breakfast and lunch have been challenging in recent years at GSES, especially during construction when getting meals to the 400 building was an issue. Thanks to Tanya's leadership, a lunch van was implemented to ensure consistent meal delivery, even during busy times. Last year, she played a key role in maintaining lunch schedules while accommodating the growing student population with minimal disruptions. This year, with the introduction of free breakfast and lunch, Tanya has been instrumental in managing the increased demand, working closely with the CNP staff every morning and making regular visits during lunch. Her dedication, both visible and behind the scenes, has been essential to the program's success.Thank you, Tanya, for all the things you do that are seen, but most importantly for all the things you do on your own time, that no one ever sees. The program wouldn't be what it is without you.
~Nominated by Dr. Alicia Early, Principal~

**Middle School**
**I'm a WaveMaker because…**
At GSMS, Mrs. Hill always goes above and beyond to assist and provide support to our school family. Whether she is grilling delicious food for our Back-to-School Parent Night; making Holiday treats for our Winter Art Show; or finding creative ways to provide Culinary Arts learning opportunities for our Caree Exploration classes, Mrs. Hill is right there, stepping up to lead the way. She always finds a way to say "yes" when asked for support.
In addition to her support of every extra- and co-curricular school effort at GSMS, she is ever diligent in looking for ways to provide nutritious and deliciou meals for our school family. Her efforts to provide voice and choice to our students is evident by the increase in the numbers of students who enjoy breakfa and lunch meals prepared by our cafeteria staff. She is committed to making sure that every child, without exception, has access to the highest quality mea every day. Without a doubt, Mrs. Hill operates an excellent child nutrition program at GSMS. Her level of accountability and expectations is clearly evident by the perfect score of 100 received on our most recent inspection.
We are truly blessed to have Mrs. Tanya Hill leading our efforts in Child Nutrition across Gulf Shores City Schools. She is truly a WaveMaker!
~Nominated by Dr. Tim Webb, Principal~

**High School**
**I'm a WaveMaker because…**
Anyone who has been part of GSCS since the beginning knows what a transformation the breakfasts and lunches have had since the split. The dynamic staff who make those meals are incredible. Tanya Hill leads those endeavors. However, what some people may not get to see is the compassion that Mrs. Hill leads with behind the scenes and the motivation that drives her daily. There have been numerous occasions, too many to count, where Tanya has noticed a student returning for multiple lunches/breakfasts or heard a student make a statement that he/she is hungry, and she approached administration asking what we knew about the student and what else she can do to help. When we want to try something new at break, she always comes to us with suggestions or provides resources. The guidelines that she is bound by while trying to make sure growing students eat can be an enormous undertaking, but she does it with a passion and a focus on what is best for students. It is common for our students to get vegetable soup, gumbo, chicken wings, Asian dumplings, or salads made from her partnership with our agriscience department. And all of these things come at no cost to our students. Tanya's leadership has paved the way for our students to have healthy options during an important growing season in their youthful lives. What a blessing it is to have Tanya as our CNP director and our friend!~Nominated by Cindy Veazey, Principal~

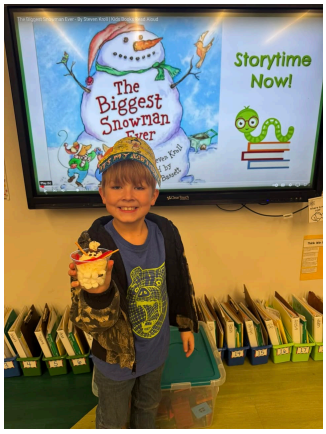
**District Office**
**I'm a WaveMaker because…**
Tanya Hill exemplifies dedication and excellence as the Child Nutrition Program (CNP) Director for Gulf Shores City Schools, ensuring the health and well-being of over 2,700 students. She meticulously coordinates nutritious breakfast and lunch programs, guaranteeing access to healthy meals from day one of enrollment. Collaborating with the district's Nutrition & Wellness Committee, Tanya incorporates fresh, campus-grown foods into meal plans, aligning with state and federal guidelines while promoting wellness and sustainability.
Her organizational skills shine as she balances equipment maintenance, budget management, and compliance reporting, all while fostering a positive cafeteria environment. Tanya works closely with her team to address needs professionally, ensuring they are equipped to serve students effectively. Her attention to detail is evident in her ability to distribute the right quantities of food for each school's unique demands. Tanya's innovative practices and unwavering dedication make her an invaluable asset to Gulf Shores City Schools and a standout WaveMaker.
~Nominated by Dr. Chezley Neth, Data Management Coordinator & NCAA College Contact and Eligibility Specialist~

**What is a WaveMaker? Someone who incites action or activity.**

# Elementary School

## "The Biggest Snowman Ever"

Winter weather means let's build a snowman in Mrs. Maddux 1st grade class!






# Middle School

## Mushroom Man Tan

One of my favorite things to do is share my knowledge and love for mushrooms and nature with children in our community!! You can see the interest and excitement on their face when they get involved and it truly makes my heart happy! I had a great time speaking with Mrs. Morales sustainability class at Gulf Shores Middle School! Mrs. Morales and I also enjoyed a walk through Gulf State Park-Alabama between class periods



# High School

## Brewing Up Confidence

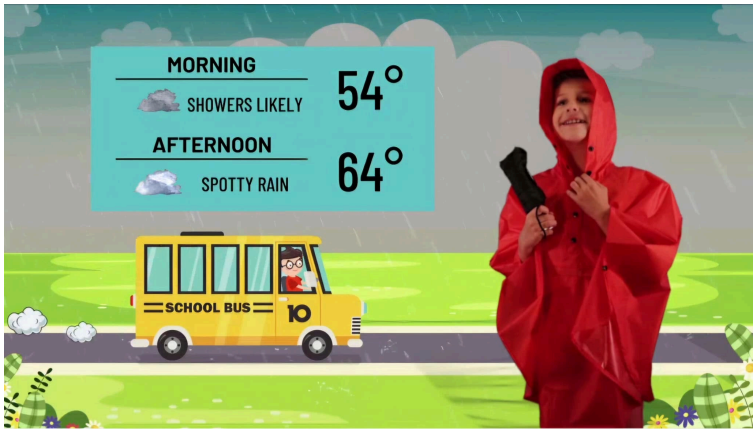
Check out some of our students making their tv debut sharing about their Dolphin Brew! Success and confidence are brewing at Gulf Shores High School thanks to a student-run coffee cart. Special education students learning while selling coffee.



# Virtual Academy

## Bus Stop Forecast

GSVA 6th grade student, Jaxon Guzlas, was featured on Fox 10 News Bus Stop Forecast.




**Connect With Us! Stay informed on what's happening with Gulf Shores City Schools!**

**District/Schools Websites. - Facebook - Twitter - Instagram - You Tube - GSCS Mobile App**

# Health & Wellness

## Wednesday Walks: Join The Fun!




**Take Time For The Dolphin Walk!**

# Athletics

## Winter Sports/Spring Sports

Winter Sports are quickly coming to an end. Take the time to catch any of those sports in action before their season is over. Right around the corner the Spring Sports will begin. Check out the athletic website or the GSCS mobile app to view the sports and when the events will begin!

Baseball
Softball
Golf (Boys/Girls)
Soccer (Boys/Girls)
Track (Boys/Girls)
Tennis (Boys/Girls)

**View our Athletics website!**

# Arts Education

## The SpongeBob Musical Coming Soon!

Props are coming along for The SpongeBob Musical! Tickets will be on sale soon for March 27-30.



# Teaching & Learning

## 100 Days of School!

100 days of learning and laughing together in Kindergarten!







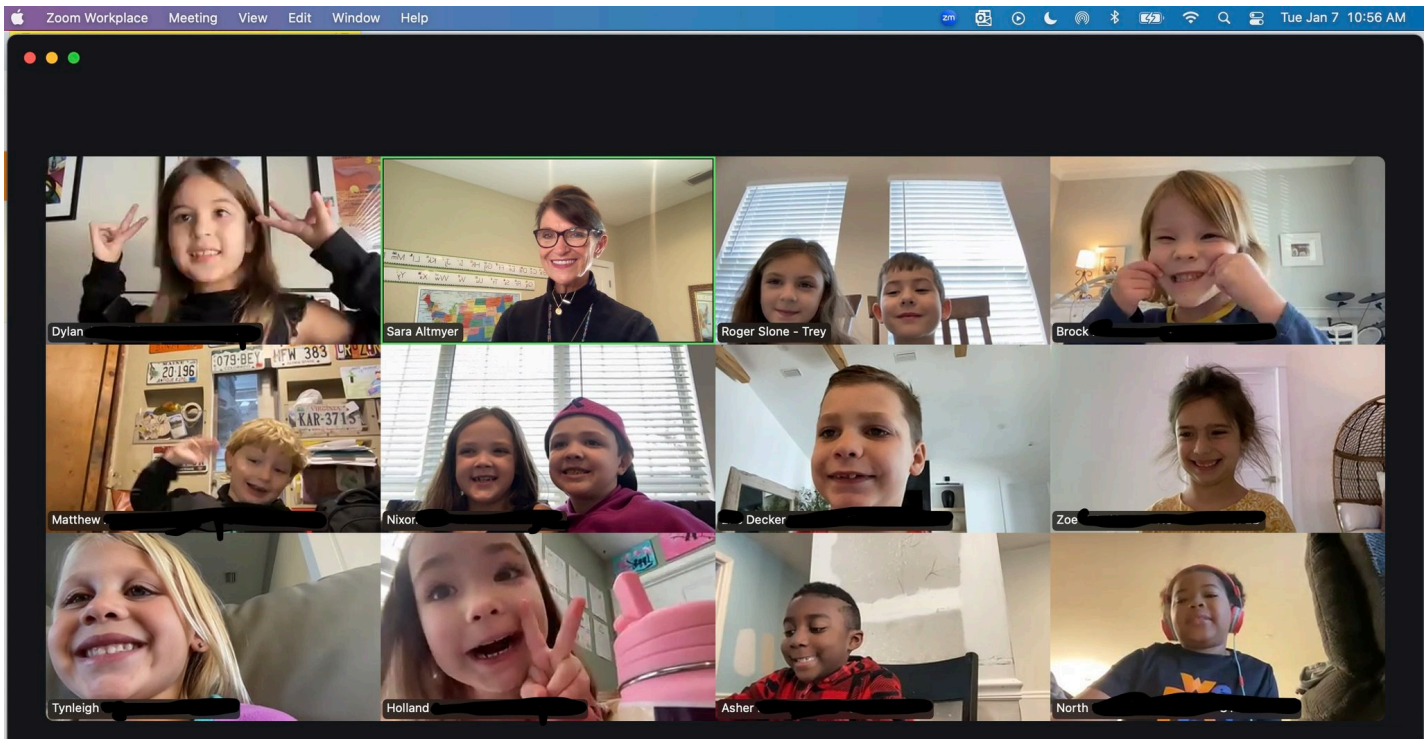
Jonathan W. Thompson, Instructional Services Specialist with ALSDE, stopped by today to deliver two adaptive bowling ramps to Coaches Kristy Harris and Theresa Brewer from GSMS and Coach Sara Shaw from GSES. These ramps are an accessibility tool which allows students with motor disabilities to more easily participate in yard bowling with their peers!





Congratulations to the Gulf Shores Middle School art students selected for publication in the Fall 2024 edition of the national Celebrating Art Contest! This prestigious achievement highlights their exceptional creativity, as only the finest artwork is chosen from thousands of entries nationwide. Well done!

Our first 2025 Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade Zoom went well and we are looking forward to an exciting second semester in the Gulf Shores Virtual Academy!



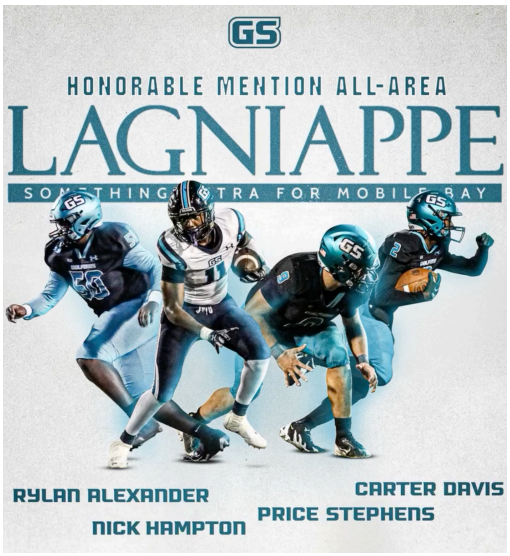
Back to Back to Back to Back to Back - Region Duals Champs!




Our upper-level aviation students, generous mentors, and aviation teachers, Haley Kellogg and Chance English, attended the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber's First Friday Forum at The Lodge. Principal Cindy Veazey, Superintendent Dr. Matt Akin, and Academies & CTE Director Jessica Sampley also attended with the group—specials thanks to them for championing these incredible opportunities for our students. Hearing from Jesse Fosnaugh, the new Airport Director at @flyjka , was an inspiring experience and a great opportunity to learn about the future of aviation in our region. The upcoming commercial flights with **@allegian**t and the associated airport terminal build will offer even more amazing opportunities for our communities and students.
A huge thank you to the Coastal Alabama Business Chamber, Gulf Air Center, and the Gulf Shores Airport for their invaluable partnerships and support of our programs. Together, we're helping prepare the next generation of aviation professionals! **@mygulfcoastchamber @gulfaircenter** Thank you, also, to **@lodgegsp** for hosting a great event!
Bi#CareerReady **#AviationEducation #CommunityPartnerships #FutureAviators #makewaves**





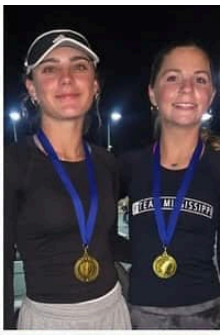




GSES Fifth grader Mailey Hixon and kindergartener Harper Nolan won Miss Mardi Gras Princesses at the Miss Mardi Gras Alabama Pageant this weekend. Congratulations girls!







Congrats to Tereza! Back to back tournament championship for Gulf Shores Academy Player!




WKRG's report highlights GSHS Mrs. Balster's students and how she is using the Dolphin Brew Coffee Cart to develop academics, life skills, social skills, improve communication, develop job skills, and to build confidence.

## Dolphin Brew Coffee Cart

**Gulf Shores City Schools** students toured local hotspots like **The Lodge at Gulf State Park**, **The Wharf**, and **Visit Alabama's Beaches** to learn about careers in hospitality and tourism.
Students met with industry leaders from **Innisfree Hotels**, **Cobalt the Restaurant**, and **OWA Parks & Resort**, gaining valuable insights into this exciting field.
Thank you to everyone who made this hands-on experience possible!
**#FutureLeaders** **#HospitalityAndTourism**
















ServSafe Manager Certified!! Super proud of these culinary students!

Congratulations to Alabama NBCT Krista Marcum Fleming for winning the PAEMST award, the nation's highest honor for math & science teaching! Mrs. Krista Fleming was recognized as a 2021 **#PAEMST** (Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching) awardee for Alabama!

Due to delays during the height of the pandemic, the 2021 honorees just received notification of the award.

The PAEMST is the highest honor bestowed by the White House on K-12 STEM teachers, recognizing dedication, innovation, and excellence in teaching mathematics and science.

"I'm so fortunate to work with such a great district, from our school board to our administration and our local community," Fleming said as the award was presented to her by Gulf Shores City Schools Superintendent, Matt Akin, and Assistant Superintendent, Stephanie Harrison.

Harrison said only about 110 maximum teachers receive this award each year with typically about two teachers selected from Alabama. "This is a really big deal" as this award comes from the federal government.

"We are very proud of her and it's a great honor," Harrison said. "She is a fantastic teacher."

Mrs. Fleming commented, "The Presidential Award is the pinnacle of my career and confirms that an innovative approach to teaching science through experiential learning promotes an effective educational environment. Community and district support can transform any classroom by creating relevant learning experiences. I am grateful to be surrounded by and share this honor with a community whose support has transformed my classroom and led to a learning environment where all students can be successful."

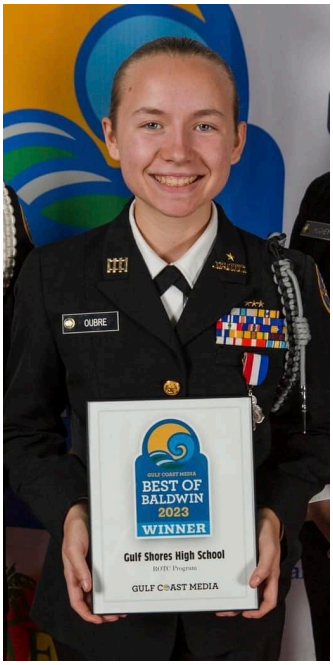




Cousins Saylor and Kingston are celebrating 100 Days of School!



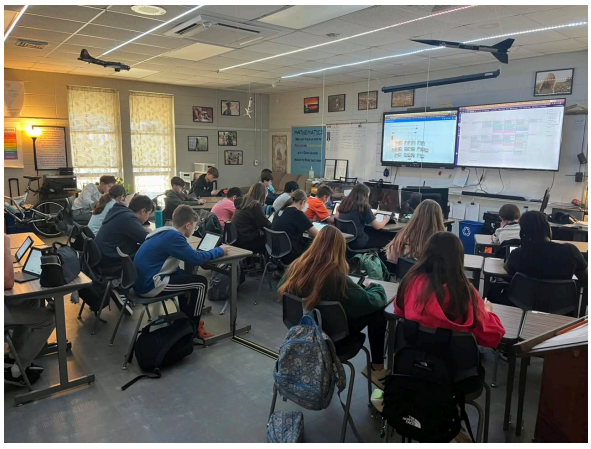

GSHS Former Cadet Oubre is leaving for Navy boot camp today. She will be embarking on a military career as a Navy hospital corpsman. Let's all wish her good luck and a safe journey.




Terry, John, and Maximiliano in Mrs. E. Davis' Class are 100% fluent in multiplication and division facts!




Before our surprise snow break, our Math Club and Advanced Math students at GSMS competed in the MATHCON competition. We are so proud of our students for always being up for a challenge!



# Gulf Shores Gives Back
# February 27, 2025

**Together, we can make a difference and make a lasting impact on our community!**

## You Are Invited

**Kick-off Pep Rally**

**February 27 @ 8:30am**

**Middle School Field**

## How can parents and/or community members help?

1. **Complete your own service project.**
2. **Sponsor a project.**
3. **Volunteer**
   - **** Partner with local ministries**
   - **** Join a project**
   - ****Partner with the Christian Service Center**
   - **** Spread the word**

**For more information visit our website below.**

**Website: https://www.gsboe.org/gsgivesback**

The Mental Health Advisory Committee along with principals and district administrators began planning Gulf Shores Gives Back. This community-wide, school-sponsored day of service will be held on 2/27/25 (Rain date is 2/28/25.). This event is an opportunity for us to serve our community together and to thank those who have done so much for us.

Gulf Shores Gives Back is a direct reflection of our core values such as “fostering inclusive, engaging members of society” and “engaging the Gulf Shores community in the educational experience.” We hope to make Gulf Shores Gives Back an annual event to provide our students with a consistent opportunity to serve others and to develop a lifelong habit of giving back to our community.

MakeWaves!



# GSCS: Tuesday Tour at GSMS in February

Gulf Shores City Schools is providing the opportunity for our community members, parents, etc. to tour each of our schools to see the wonderful things going on in our classrooms. Our "Tuesday Tour" will take place on Tuesday, February 11th from 9:00 -10:30am at Gulf Shores Middle School. Visitors will have a chance to look inside our classrooms and experience the culture and innovation of Gulf Shores City Schools! We hope to see you there! To sign up, please click on the following link:

**Tuesday Tour at GSMS**

# Publix Partners - Join Today!

Please Support Gulf Shores City Schools! Parents, Teachers, Faculty, Community Members, Please sign up at Club Publix to designate Gulf Shores Elementary School as a Publix Partners Recipient! Please follow the link and share!

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# January is School Board Member Recognition Month!

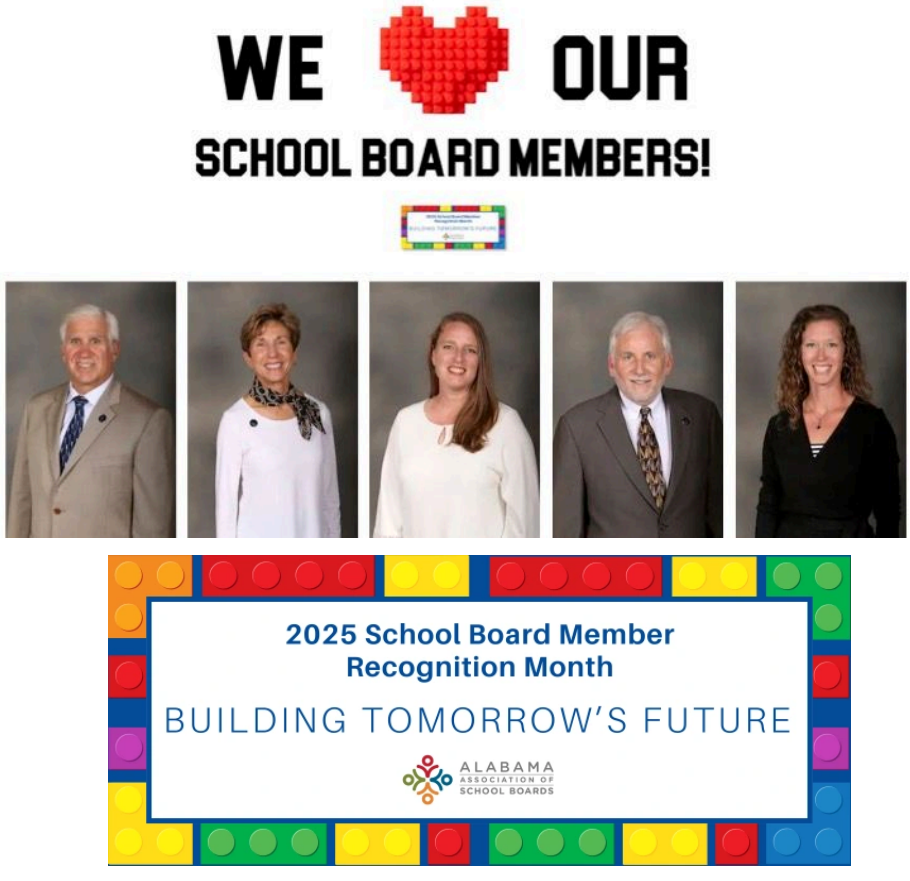
School board members make critical decisions every day that shape the educational experiences of students, impact teachers, engage parents, and influence the broader community. They work diligently to ensure our schools are safe, supportive, and equipped with the resources needed to help every student succeed. This January, during School Board Member Recognition Month, we pause to express our deep gratitude for their service and dedication.

January is Alabama's 32nd Annual School Board Member Recognition Month. We salute our Board of Education members at Gulf Shores City Schools. Their commitment to ensuring a high-quality education for the students in our community is an invaluable contribution to the future we are building together.

As education leaders, board members play a vital role in building the future of public education. They are responsible for decisions that affect everything from academic programs and teacher support to the facilities where students learn. They spend countless hours attending meetings, participating in professional development, and collaborating with stakeholders to craft policies that guide our schools. Their leadership ensures that community voices are heard and that the best interests of students remain at the forefront.

The theme of this year's School Board Member Recognition Month is *"Building Tomorrow's Future"*. This theme reflects the essential work our board members do in shaping the educational foundation for our students, preparing them to become tomorrow's leaders and innovators. Their time, effort, dedication and leadership in their role enhance educational opportunities and ensure our schools continue to thrive.

We honor our school board members for their leadership, advocacy, and hard work in Building Tomorrow's Future. Your impact goes beyond the classroom! GSCS says, Thank you for all you do. "THANK YOU and MAKEWAVES" to our Board of Education Members - Kevin Corcoran, Nicky Gotschall, Kelly Walker, Dale Jernigan, and Frank Malone!



# Thank You Bus Drivers

On behalf of the school board, superintendents' office, administrative team, teaching staff, and support staff at Gulf Shores City Schools, we want to take a moment to express our immense gratitude to all of our dedicated bus drivers. You play a vital role in the success of our school community, and we deeply appreciate the work you do. Your professionalism, skills, and dedication do not go unnoticed. You are the ones who start and end each school day with care and commitment, ensuring our students' safety and well-being as they travel to and from school. Your ability to maintain positive student engagement and connect with our parents is truly remarkable. It takes incredible patience to handle the challenges of the road and to remain calm in stressful situations, and you do so with grace.
We also want to highlight your exceptional attention to detail, which ensures that each route runs smoothly, and your organizational skills, which help keep everything on track. Your hard work and dedication are essential to the success of our daily operations.
We also recognize the requirements that come with your role: your commercial driver's license, your Alabama School Bus Driver Certificate, and your years of experience—all of which contribute to the high standards you uphold every day.
Thank you for your tireless efforts, your professionalism, and your unwavering commitment to our students. You truly make a difference, and we are incredibly grateful for each and every one of you. You are a valued part of our school family!















## 🚌 Shout Out to Our Incredible School Bus Drivers! 🚌

GSCS wants to take a moment to recognize our local team of dedicated school bus drivers and their outstanding contributions as part of a statewide effort that genuinely deserves acknowledgment!

Throughout the state of Alabama, there are **9,984 school buses** operated by **15,301 drivers,** who together transport **329,837 students daily**—that's an impressive **46% of enrolled students** relying on school buses to get to and from school each day! These buses collectively travel **90 million miles** every year. For each mile, our drivers make up to **100 decisions**, ensuring the safety and well-being of our precious cargo—our children.
Now, let's bring it home and examine how our Gulf Shores City Schools team compares to this significant statewide effort:

These figures pertain exclusively to routes:

- **Total miles driven last year: 105,660 miles**
- **Total driving time**: **5,451 hours**
- **Total stops made**: **110,520 stops**
- **Total students transported**: **298,440**
- **Total decisions made** (est. 100 decisions per mile): **10,556,000 decisions**
- **Total AM/PM routes**: **7,200**
- **And the best part—Total recordable mistakes: 0!** 🎉

That's right, ZERO recordable mistakes! Our team at Gulf Shores City Schools has not only met but has exceeded expectations in every way. Our drivers' dedication, attention to detail, and commitment to safety is nothing short of amazing.

We are so proud of our team, whether you drive a route or substitute occasionally, and we know the city, families, and students they serve feel the same. Let's give a huge round of applause to all the bus drivers who make it happen every single day





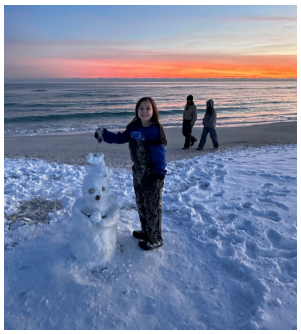












# Snowed In At Gulf Shores





























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# Gulf Shores City Schools named Apple Distinguished School District for technology-supported education

Gulf Shores City Schools (GSCS) is proud to announce its designation as an Apple Distinguished School District, a prestigious recognition awarded by Apple, Inc., for leadership in creating technology-rich learning environments that inspire creativity, foster collaboration and personalize learning.

The award will be presented on Thursday, Jan. 30, at 9:00 a.m. in the Hangout Music Production Lab at Gulf Shores High School. Following the announcement, attendees will have the opportunity to tour classrooms and experience firsthand the innovative practices that earned this distinction.

This honor reflects GSCS' commitment to integrating cutting-edge technology into an aspect of teaching and learning. From elementary classrooms to high school programs, Apple technology plays a pivotal role in empowering students and teachers to connect with the world, spark creativity and achieve academic excellence.

Superintendent Dr. Matt Akin highlighted the district's transformative use of Apple products, stating, "At Gulf Shores City Schools, Apple technology helps us connect students to the world in ways that fuel their creativity, deepen collaboration and make learning personal. From building electric cars and producing music to multimedia storytelling and augmented reality experiences, our teachers and students leverage these tools to unlock their full potential and thrive in a global, digital age."

As part of its innovation journey, GSCS has implemented numerous forward-thinking initiatives, such as:

• Music production lab at the high school, where students create professional-grade audio and video projects.

• Aviation Academy that begins with flight simulators in elementary school and concludes with building airplanes and offering pilot certification in high school.

• Coding and Robotics Programs beginning in elementary school, giving students hands-on experience with problem-solving and critical thinking skills.

• Interactive Science Labs utilizing iPads and laptops to measure and analyze water quality from local waterways and to help identify plant and insect species from Gulf State Park.

• Personalized Learning Platforms powered by Apple tools that allow students to set goals, track progress, and engage with content tailored to their unique needs.

The Apple Distinguished Schools program recognizes educational institutions that demonstrate innovative leadership, robust technology integration, and measurable academic success. GSCS is one of two Apple Distinguished School Districts in Alabama joining a select group of schools worldwide, celebrated for creating dynamic, future-ready learning environments.

GSES GSMS GSHS

Distinguished School


Distinguished School
2024-2027




Distinguished School

















# Wednesday Walks

## WEDNESDAY WALKS
### 1/15/25-5/21/25



- Join your colleagues for a fun 30-minute walk through the State Park.
- All employees and families are welcome to participate!
- Wednesday Walks begin at 3:30 at the Dolphin Walk sign in front of the elementary school; walks will end at 4:00 at the same location.
- No Wednesday Walks on school holidays; Wednesday Walks may be canceled due to inclement weather.
- Free-Fun-Healthy-Connections
- An initiative of the Gulf Shores City Schools Health and Wellness Committee

GULF SHORES CITY SCHOOLS












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| 2/5 | GSHS: Planting for Protection with Dune Doctors |
| 2/6 | BOE: Work Session 4:00pm |
| 2/7 | GSCS: Progress Reports |
| 2/7 | GSHS: JV Scholars Bowl District Tourney |
| 2/11 | GSCS: Tuesday Tour GSMS 9:00-10:30am |
| 2/11 | GSHS: Scholars Bowl Competition |
| 2/12 | GSHS: Gateway to Great Careers Industry Tours for Construction & Engineering |
| 2/13 | BOE: Regular Board Meeting 5:00pm |
| 2/13 | GSES: Spirit Night (The Yard) |
| 2/14-15 | GSHS: Thespian Festival |
| 2/14 | GSHS: Varsity Scholars Bowl District Tourney |
| 2/14-21 | GSMS: ACAP Practice/Celebration |
| 2/19 | GSES: Class Pictures |
| 2/20 | GSHS: Band Assessment Concert |
| 2/24 | GSES; NEHS Induction |
| 2/24 | GSHS: Scholars Bowl Tourney |
| 2/25 | GSES: Coffee with the Counselors |
| 2/27 | GSCS: Gulf Shores Gives Back Day |
| 2/28 | GSCS: Gulf Shores Gives Back Day (Rain Date) |
| 2/28 | GSMS: Band Pre-MPA Concert |
| 2/28 | GSHS: College Fair |

Enjoy these new GSCS commercials!

## We Believe…

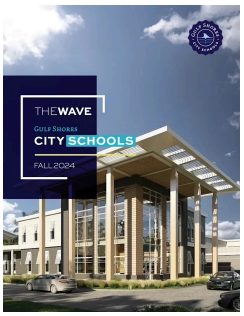
## What If…

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Middle School
High School
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