



2024-25  
ANNUAL REPORT

#OconeeFamily

OCONEE COUNTY  
SCHOOLS



# GOVERNANCE TEAM

#OCONEEFAMILY



## FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Oconee County Board of Education is immensely proud of the collective accomplishments of our students, educators, staff, and families during 2024-25. This year was marked by significant achievements, and the Board is particularly honored that OCS continues to be recognized as Georgia's top county district. This is a testament to hard work, vision, and dedication, and it underscores a commitment to providing exceptional learning environments.

The Board is equally pleased that Oconee County has been named the No. 1 county for public schools in America. Our schools play a critical role in shaping the future of our county, and we are humbled to be a part of this ranking. This is a win for all of Oconee County.

Throughout 2024-25, remarkable academic and athletic successes took place on all our campuses. Our students excelled in a wide range of academic and community service endeavors, and our student-athletes and coaches demonstrated skill, teamwork, and sportsmanship as they claimed and competed for championships.

For the past 13 years, Dr. Jason Branch guided OCS with visionary leadership, and he has left an indelible mark on our district. As he embarks on his next journey, the Board offers its profound gratitude and wishes him all the best.

The Board is filled with anticipation and excitement for the future. Our members remain committed to building upon the strong foundation in place and to continuously seeking ways to enhance the educational experience for all students.

Sincerely,

Michael Ransom,  
Board Chair  
Amy Parrish,  
Board Vice Chair  
Ryan Hammock  
Adam Hammond  
Brock Toole



## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

In presenting the 2024-25 Annual Report for Oconee County Schools, we are pleased to have an opportunity to highlight the remarkable achievements and progress of students, educators, staff, and families throughout this past year.

Reviewing these pages, I am so appreciative of the collective dedication that defines OCS. From outstanding student accomplishments to innovative programs and initiatives, this report encapsulates the hard work and collaborative spirit of the OCS family.

The 2024-25 school year was marked by significant successes across all areas. Our students excelled academically, in the arts, in athletics, and through community service, and they constantly demonstrated their talents and commitment. Our exceptional educators and dedicated staff continued to provide high-quality instruction and support, fostering an environment where every student could thrive.

These achievements, and many others detailed in this report, underscore the commitment to excellence that permeates OCS. It has been a privilege to witness this dedication first-hand during my 13 years as Superintendent. The people of this county are truly world class, and their commitment to education has been and remains the foundational difference that makes this community special. I leave OCS with a heart full of gratitude and a soul that is satisfied.



The strength and passion within this district are undeniable, and I am confident that it will continue to reach new heights. Thank you for your support and for making this such a remarkable place to learn and grow.

Sincerely,

Jason L. Branch, Ph.D.



# CLASS OF 2025

#OCONEEFAMILY



The Class of 2025 was offered nearly **\$6.2 million in scholarships** (excluding HOPE and the Zell Miller Scholarship) and was accepted to the following colleges, universities, and military academies.

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College  
Appalachian State University  
Athens Technical College  
Auburn University  
Augusta University  
Azusa Pacific University  
Baldwin Wallace University  
Belmont Abbey College  
Belmont University  
Berry College  
Brenau University  
Brewton-Parker College  
Brigham Young University  
Brigham Young University-Idaho  
Brown University  
Clemson University  
Coastal Carolina University  
College of Charleston  
Colorado State University  
Columbus State University  
Cornell University  
Duke Kunshan University  
Duke University  
East Carolina University  
East Georgia College  
East Tennessee State University  
Elon University  
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University  
Emerson College  
Emmanuel University  
Emory University  
Flagler College  
Florida Atlantic University  
Florida Institute of Technology  
Fordham University  
Furman University  
Georgetown College

Georgia College and State  
Georgia Gwinnett College  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
Georgia Southern University  
Georgia State University  
Gordon State College  
Gwinnett Technical College  
High Point University  
Illinois Wesleyan University  
Indiana University - Indianapolis  
Johns Hopkins University  
Johnson & Wales University  
Kennesaw State University  
Kentucky Wesleyan College  
Kenyon College  
Kilgore College  
Lanier Technical College  
Lee University  
Lenoir-Rhyne University  
Lipscomb University  
Long Island University  
Louisiana State University  
Loyola Marymount University  
Loyola University Chicago  
Marymount Manhattan College  
Mercer University  
Miami University of Ohio  
Middle Georgia State University  
Middle Tennessee State University  
Mississippi State University  
Montclair State University  
Nazareth College  
New York Film Academy  
New York University  
Newberry College  
North Carolina A&T State University  
Oglethorpe University  
Oregon State University  
Pace University

Pepperdine University  
Piedmont University  
Point University  
Pratt Institute  
Presbyterian College  
Purdue University  
Queens University of Charlotte  
Reinhardt University  
Rider University  
Roger Williams University  
Rutgers - New Brunswick  
Rutgers University - Camden  
Samford University  
San Diego State University  
Savannah College of Art and Design  
Savannah State University  
Shenandoah University  
Shorter University  
Slippery Rock University  
South Carolina State University  
Southern Methodist University  
Southern Wesleyan  
Spelman College  
Temple University  
The DAVE School  
The Ohio State University  
Toccoa Falls College  
Truman State University  
United States Air Force  
United States Army  
United States Marine Corps  
United States Naval Academy  
University of Alabama  
University of California , San Diego  
University of California Berkeley  
University of Chicago  
University of Cincinnati  
University of Colorado  
University of Connecticut

University of Florida  
University of Georgia  
University of Iowa  
University of Kentucky  
University of Massachusetts - Amherst  
University of Massachusetts - Lowell  
University of Mississippi  
University of Missouri  
University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill  
University of North Carolina - Asheville  
University of North Carolina - Wilmington  
University of North Dakota  
University of North Georgia  
University of Oklahoma  
University of Pennsylvania  
University of Pittsburgh  
University of San Diego  
University of South Carolina  
University of Sydney, Australia  
University of Tampa  
University of Virginia  
University of West Georgia  
University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Valdosta State University  
Vanderbilt University  
Virginia Tech  
Webster University  
Western Carolina University  
Wheaton College  
Williams College  
Wingate University  
Wittenberg University  
Wofford College  
Young Harris College



# ABOUT OCONEE COUNTY SCHOOLS

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## SCHOOLS

### 12 Total

- **Primary (1)**  
Oconee County
- **Elementary (6)**  
Colham Ferry, Dove Creek, High Shoals, Malcom Bridge, Oconee County, Rocky Branch
- **Middle (3)**  
Dove Creek, Malcom Bridge, Oconee County
- **High (2)**  
North Oconee, Oconee County

## STUDENTS

### 8,474 Total

- Gifted - 24%
- Special Needs - 13%
- ESOL - 3%
- Native Languages - 34
- White - 77.6%
- Hispanic - 7.8%
- Asian/Pacific Islander - 6.6%
- Multiracial - 4.4%
- Black - 3.4%

## EMPLOYEES

### 1,096 Total Full Time

- 709 Certified
- 387 Support Staff

## BUDGET INFORMATION

- Operating Budget: \$114,890,755
- Local Revenue: \$53,940,147
- State Revenue: \$60,950,608

## PER PUPIL EXPENDITURES

### 2023-24

#### One of the lowest in Georgia

- Oconee - \$10,514.19
- Barrow - \$10,981
- Jackson - \$11,688
- Oglethorpe - \$11,977
- Clarke - \$17,368

## MILLAGE RATE

#### One of the lowest in Northeast Georgia

- Oconee - 14.250
- Jackson - 15.395
- Barrow - 15.50
- Oglethorpe - 16.025
- Clarke - 18.80

## GRADUATION RATE

### Class of 2024

#### Highest rate in Georgia among systems with 250+ graduates

- Oconee - 99.1%
- Georgia - 85.4%

## DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES

- 57.9% of Seniors Participated
- 1,289 Total Courses Taken By Students

## SAT ACHIEVEMENT

### 2023-24

#### Ranked #3 in Georgia

- Oconee - 1161
- Georgia - 1030
- U.S. - 995

## ACT ACHIEVEMENT

### 2023-24

#### Ranked #2 in Georgia

- Oconee - 24.5
- Georgia - 21.2
- U.S. - 19.4

## POST-SECONDARY ENROLLMENT

### Class of 2025

- \$6.2 million in scholarships (excluding HOPE and Zell Miller)
- 150 institutions of higher learning
- 4 military branches

## TRANSPORTATION

### 1,016,439 - Total Miles Driven

- 909,270 - Total Route Miles
- 107,169 - Total Field Trip Miles
- 5,052 - Route Miles Daily

## NUTRITION

### 698,603 Total Meals Served

- 535,566 Lunches
- 163,037 Breakfasts
- 3,947 Meals Served Daily

*Information reflects the 2024-25 school year unless otherwise noted*





# ABOUT OCONEE COUNTY SCHOOLS

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## #1

### COUNTY WITH BEST PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN AMERICA



## #1

### FINANCIAL EFFICIENCY STAR RATING



## #1

### COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM IN GEORGIA



#### BLUE RIBBON SCHOOLS OF EXCELLENCE

- Colham Ferry Elementary
- Dove Creek Elementary
- High Shoals Elementary
- Malcom Bridge Elementary
- Malcom Bridge Middle
- North Oconee High
- Oconee County Elementary
- Oconee County Primary
- Rocky Branch Elementary

*\*9 of the 400 nationwide schools chosen since 2003 as National Blue Ribbon Lighthouse Schools of Excellence are in Oconee County.*

#### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

- High Shoals Elementary

#### STEAM-CERTIFIED SCHOOL

- Rocky Branch Elementary

#### STEM-CERTIFIED SCHOOL

- Colham Ferry Elementary

#### GREATSCHOOLS.ORG COLLEGE SUCCESS AWARD

- North Oconee High
- Oconee County High

#### TITLE I DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS

- Oconee County Elementary
- Oconee County Middle

#### ADVANCED PLACEMENT SCHOOLS OF DISTINCTION

- North Oconee High
- Oconee County High

#### EXEMPLARY SCHOOL BOARD

- One of the top designations from the Georgia School Boards Association

#### TOP 20 PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN GEORGIA

*As ranked by Niche*

##### District:

- #1 Oconee County Schools

##### Elementary:

- #5 Malcom Bridge
- #18 Rocky Branch

##### Middle:

- #10 Oconee County
- #13 Malcom Bridge

##### High:

- #16 North Oconee

#### SPORTS YEAR IN REVIEW

##### North Oconee High:

- 5 State Championships
- 2 State Runner-Up Finishes
- 2 State Semifinal Appearances
- 19 Region or Area Championships
- 2 Region or Area Runner-up Finishes
- 5 Individual State Championships
- 28 Sports Qualified for State Playoffs
- GADA Director's Cup: Region Champion/AAAA State Runner-Up

##### Oconee County High:

- 3 State Championships
- 2 State Semifinal Appearances
- 6 Region Championships
- 3 Region or Area Runner-up Finishes
- 1 Individual State Championship
- 25 Sports Qualified for State Playoffs
- GADA Director's Cup: Region Runner-Up/AAA 3rd Place

#### VISION AWARD

- Presented by the Georgia Association of Educational Leaders to districts that are committed to encouraging and supporting teachers, principals, and district office staff in professional learning.



# COLHAM FERRY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 97.6
- Selected as a Math Leader by the Georgia Department of Education
- Named a 2025 Best Elementary School by U.S. News & World Report
- STEM-certified school, including the location for the WeatherSTEM technology
- Received a 5-Star Climate Rating from the Georgia Department of Education
- Agricultural programming and outdoor learning spaces
- Staff includes a Georgia Department of Natural Resources Conservation Teacher of Year and a Don Cargill STEM Scholar Award winner
- Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
- 100% of teachers are gifted certified



**STEM CERTIFIED  
BY THE GEORGIA  
DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION**



**Mr. Michael Stanton**  
*Principal*



# DOVE CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 98.2
- 1 of 7 schools in the state to receive the School Bell Award from the Georgia Association of Elementary School Principals
- Chosen as a Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports Schools of Distinction by the Georgia Department of Education
- Home to two Georgia Policy Fellowship teachers
- Received a 5-Star Climate Rating from the Georgia Department of Education
- Earned a \$4,000 Walton EMC EmPOWERment Grant to apply toward reading
- Named a Georgia Literacy Leader by the Georgia Department of Education
- 2-time Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence Lighthouse School
- 100% of teachers are gifted certified



**2025 BEST  
ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS**



**Dr. Grace Staniszewski**  
*Principal*



# HIGH SHOALS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 91.5
- Selected as a Math Leader by the Georgia Department of Education
- Named a 2025 Best Elementary School by U.S. News & World Report
- Received a 5-Star Climate Rating from the Georgia Department of Education
- Earned more than \$8,000 in Walton EMC EmPOWERment Grants to apply toward reading and agriculture
- U.S. Department of Education National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
- 2-time Blue Ribbon Lighthouse School of Excellence
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports Operational School
- 100% of teachers are gifted certified



**NATIONAL  
BLUE RIBBON  
LIGHTHOUSE  
SCHOOL OF  
EXCELLENCE**



**Ms. Sara Bailey**  
*Principal*



# MALCOM BRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 96.7
- Selected as a Math Leader by the Georgia Department of Education
- Chosen as a Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports Schools of Distinction by the Georgia Department of Education
- Named a 2025 Best Elementary School by U.S. News & World Report
- Received a 5-Star Climate Rating from the Georgia Department of Education
- Named the No. 5 elementary school in Georgia by Niche
- Governor's Office of Student Achievement Single Statewide Accountability System Awards in Greatest Gains School (gold) and Highest Performing School (silver)
- 100% of teachers are gifted certified
- 12-classroom addition opened in 2024-25
- Annual event celebrating students from 13 different nations



**3-TIME  
BLUE RIBBON  
LIGHTHOUSE  
SCHOOL OF  
EXCELLENCE**



**Mr. Eric Watson**  
*Principal*



# OCONEE COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 98.6
- Received a 5-Star Climate Rating from the Georgia Department of Education
- Earned more than \$6,800 in a Walton EMC EmPOWERment Grant to apply toward reading
- National Blue Ribbon Lighthouse School of Excellence
- Received the Making The Shade grant awarded through the U.S. Forest Service
- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports Operational School
- Outdoor classroom spaces, gardens, and educational trail
- Project-based learning initiatives for kindergarten, first grade, and second grade
- Several STEM opportunities, including art, gardening, robotics, and problem solving
- 100% of teachers are gifted certified



**NATIONAL  
BLUE RIBBON  
LIGHTHOUSE  
SCHOOL OF  
EXCELLENCE**



**Ms. Shelby Hilley**  
*Principal*



# OCONEE COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

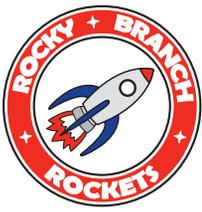
- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 92.1
- Selected as a Literacy Leader and as a Math Leader by the Georgia Department of Education
- Received a 5-Star Climate Rating from the Georgia Department of Education
- Earned a \$1,750 Walton EMC EmPOWERment Grant to apply toward STEM
- National Blue Ribbon Lighthouse School of Excellence
- Title I Distinguished School
- Chiefs Cup initiative provides students with special needs real-world learning opportunities
- Received a \$50,000 grant for adaptive playground equipment
- 100% of teachers are gifted certified
- Educators Star Award as the Best Elementary School for Promising Practices from Student Support Team Association for Georgia



**BEST  
ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOLS**



**Ms. Jennifer Laughridge**  
*Principal*



# ROCKY BRANCH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 95.2
- 1 of 98 in America and the only school in Georgia chosen as a 2025 State School of Character
- Named a 2025 Best Elementary School by U.S. News & World Report
- Earned more than \$800 in a Walton EMC EmPOWERment Grant to apply toward agriculture
- Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
- STEAM-certified school
- Named the No. 18 elementary school in Georgia by Niche
- Georgia Department of Education Literacy Leader
- Character.org Promising Practice recipient
- 100% of teachers are gifted certified



**STEAM CERTIFIED  
BY THE GEORGIA  
DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION**



**Ms. Sara Johnson**  
*Principal*



# DOVE CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 96.7
- Selected as a Math Leader by the Georgia Department of Education
- Received a 5-Star Climate Rating from the Georgia Department of Education
- Earned more than \$3,200 in Walton EMC EmPOWERment Grants to apply toward audio/visual and sound lab resources
- Newest school in the OCS family, with the ribbon cutting held July 17, 2023
- Apalachee Athletic Conference championship in football
- Sixth-grade class earned a Safe Online Surfing national award for cybersafety and digital citizenship from the Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Students recognized as Knights of the Month and as Positive Knights



**SAFE ONLINE  
SURFING  
NATIONAL  
AWARD**



**Dr. Michael Eddy**  
*Principal*



# MALCOM BRIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 97.2
- Selected as a Math Leader by the Georgia Department of Education
- Named a 2025 Best Middle School by U.S. News & World Report
- Received a 5-Star Climate Rating from the Georgia Department of Education
- Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
- Named the No. 13 middle school in Georgia by Niche
- Home to the 2-time national champion in the Daughters of the American Revolution Essay Contest
- Students selected to perform in state and district Honor Band and Chorus
- Bolt Brags presented for demonstrating kindness, respect, and leadership



**BEST  
MIDDLE  
SCHOOLS**



Ms. Kristin Harrison  
*Principal*

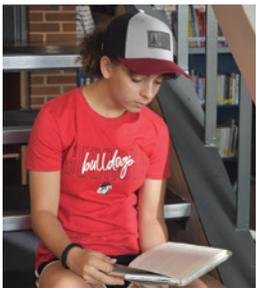


# OONEE COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

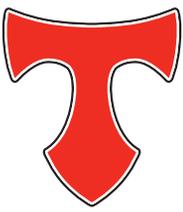
- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 92.2
- Selected as a Math Leader by the Georgia Department of Education
- Named a 2025 Best Middle School by U.S. News & World Report
- Received a 5-Star Climate Rating from the Georgia Department of Education
- Title I Distinguished School
- Named the No. 10 middle school in Georgia by Niche
- State championships in boys varsity and boys and girls junior varsity cross country
- Annual host of the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, where the community has the opportunity to celebrate survivors and caregivers and remember loved ones lost
- 2-time Georgia Association of Secondary School Principals Breakout School



**2-TIME GASSP  
BREAKOUT  
SCHOOL**



Ms. Anne Poss  
*Principal*



# NORTH OCONEE HIGH SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 97.2
- No. 1 school in Northeast Georgia with an SAT composite of 1174 and an ACT composite of 24.6
- 99.5 percent graduation rate (Class of 2024)
- 2025 Advanced Placement Schools of Distinction and Silver Level Honor Roll
- Named the No. 16 high school in Georgia by Niche
- State championships in football, boys basketball, literary, gymnastics, and girls golf
- Home to the Region 4 STAR Student, two Georgia Scholars, and the 10th grade Young Georgia Authors state winner
- Blue Ribbon School of Excellence
- 2024 College Success Award from GreatSchools



5-STAR CLIMATE RATING



Mr. Keith Carter  
Principal



# OCONEE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

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## POINTS OF PRIDE

- College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score of 93.1
- No. 2 school in Northeast Georgia with an SAT composite of 1137 and an ACT composite of 24.2
- Selected as a Math Leader by the Georgia Department of Education
- Received a 5-Star Climate Rating from the Georgia Department of Education
- Earned an \$11,000 Walton EMC EmPOWERment Grant to apply toward art
- 2025 Advanced Placement Schools of Distinction
- State championships in boys cross country, girls soccer, and girls tennis
- Warrior Marching Band chosen as one of 87 nationwide to receive the SupportMusic Merit Award from the NAMM Foundation
- Named a 2025 Best High School by U.S. News & World Report



TOP 6 PERCENT OF SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE



Mr. Matt Stephens  
Principal



# TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

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Passionate teachers make passionate learners. Teachers are tools for helping students see and become their best selves. Yes, teaching is providing instruction on the curriculum standards, but it goes well beyond that. Teaching is also instilling the belief in students that they are capable of learning and that the process of learning has value in itself. It is making sure our students know they are important and a needed part of our community. ”

**Amy Carter, Oconee County Middle School  
2024-25 District Teacher of the Year**



**Kristen Anderson**  
Oconee County Elementary



**Heather Bui**  
Dove Creek Elementary



**Melanie Carpentier**  
Oconee County High



**Amy Carter**  
Oconee County Middle



**Emily Dail**  
Oconee County Primary



**Ashley Douglas**  
North Oconee High



**Shannon Dupree**  
Dove Creek Middle



**Keri Ericson**  
Rocky Branch Elementary



**Lyndsay Goeckeritz**  
Colham Ferry Elementary



**Jessica Johnston**  
Malcom Bridge Middle



**Erin McElroy**  
High Shoals Elementary



**Stacy Peters**  
Malcom Bridge Elementary



# RETIRING EDUCATORS

THANK YOU TO OUR RETIREES FOR THEIR LASTING IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF OUR COMMUNITY'S CHILDREN!



<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>OCS Years</u>
Eddie Adams	Custodian	OCHS	32
Tiffany Alexander	Teacher	NOHS	23
Jason Branch	Superintendent	ISC	13
Debra Crowell	Secretary	Maintenance	23
Vanessa Dixon	Bookkeeper	DCMS	22
Michael Dowis	Assistant Principal	NOHS	20
Lynn Glass	Teacher	MBMS	23
Angela Harris	Instructional Technology	ISC	19
Tiffany Hancock	Teacher	RBES	27
Jeri Harvey	Bus Driver	Transportation	29
Christopher Janssen	Teacher	OCMS	22
Ken Mattison	Alternative Schools Director	OCHS	24
William Peak	Custodian	OCMS	26
Mark Provost	Teacher	OCHS	25
Patricia Sparr	Bus Driver	Transportation	11
Nancy Stearns	Teacher	RBES	21
Danny Weldon	Bus Driver	Transportation	9
Terri Whitehead	Nutrition	Manager	24
Jody Wright	Technician	Maintenance	27



# ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

#OCONEEFAMILY

The Oconee County Alumni Association graciously donated to programs at OCHS, OCMS, and NOHS; participated in community service activities; held a Hog Mountain Bowl tailgate for fellowship opportunities; and came together for the annual Alumni Banquet in June.

For more information, visit [Facebook.com/OconeeCountyAlumni](https://Facebook.com/OconeeCountyAlumni).





# COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

THANK YOU TO OUR NUMEROUS COMMUNITY PARTNERS.  
WE ARE INDEED AN #OCONEEFAMILY!



## DISTRICT-LEVEL PARTNERS

- Akins Ford
- Athens Ford
- Bank South
- Chick-fil-A Epps Bridge
- Chops & Hops
- Georgia Home Partners
- Georgia United Credit Union
- Heyward Allen Toyota/Motor Company
- Oconee Chamber of Commerce
- Oconee State Bank
- Peach State Federal Credit Union
- Piedmont Athens Regional
- Walton EMC
- Zaxby's of Watkinsville

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# VILLA PARENT ACADEMY

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## SIXTH ANNUAL PARENT ACADEMY PROGRAM

Developed by the Georgia School Boards Association, VILLA (Volunteer Instructional Leadership Learning Academy) provides parents an opportunity to learn more about public schools in their local communities.

## VILLA 2025 PARTICIPANTS

- Colham Ferry Elementary:** Jonathan Jones, Lauren Tiller
- Dove Creek Elementary:** Kendall Holder, Jennifer Kennedy
- Dove Creek Middle:** Ashlee Billman, Lauren Shirley
- High Shoals Elementary:** Alecia Mokros, Omar Villanueva
- Malcom Bridge Elementary:** Lindsay Henkel, Beth Katz
- Malcom Bridge Middle:** DeAnna Brubaker, Jennifer King

- North Oconee High:** Debbie Blouin, Kate Millington
- Oconee County Elementary:** Anna Kinsey, Rebecca Nichols
- Oconee County High:** Matt Adair, Jessica Gay
- Oconee County Middle:** Charlie Moon, Chris Pope
- Oconee County Primary:** Monica Bedgood, Amy Dunn
- Rocky Branch Elementary:** Justin Snell, Brooke Waters



# ANOTHER YEAR OF #OCONEEFAMILY

SUSTAINED EXCELLENCE & CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT



## oconee CTAE

Connecting OUR STUDENTS to YOUR WORKFORCE



2,371 students enrolled in CTAE courses



122 students participated in Work-Based Learning



80 employers participated in Work-Based Learning



### CAREER, TECHNICAL, & AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION (CTAE) AT NOHS & OCHS

#### PROGRAMS & ASSOCIATED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS:

- Agriculture - FFA
- Business and Entrepreneurship - FBLA
- Computer Science - FBLA
- Early Childhood Education - FCCLA
- Engineering - TSA
- Finance - FBLA
- Graphic Design - SkillsUSA
- Health Science - HOSA
- Marketing - DECA



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SCHOOLS

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