



**CHRISTY JACOBS, PRINCIPAL**  
JOHN HADDEN, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL  
CHRISTIE COOK, COUNSELOR

### **Governance Team Agenda**

November 18th, 2025

1. **Welcome**
2. **Agenda Approval**
3. **School Improvement Plan Goals**
  - a. **Overarching Needs & Goals:**
    - i. **Need:** Cultivate a climate and culture of achievement through reading that supports students as independent thinkers who are successful through all aspects of the Science of Reading.
      1. **Goal:** At Ben Hill County Primary School, 70% of students will be reading at or above grade level at the end of the SY26 according to Acadience data.
        - a. **Root Cause 1:** A high percentage of students are performing below grade level in reading.
        - b. **Root Cause 2:** Ineffective Tier 1 instructional strategies.
        - c. **Root Cause 3:** Lack of exposure to early literacy and lack of real life experiences.
    - ii. **Need:** Cultivate a climate and culture of achievement through math instruction and student achievement.
      1. **Goal:** At Ben Hill County Primary School, 70% of students will meet expected growth in mathematics from their Fall pre-test until Spring post-test.
        - a. **Root Cause 1:** A high percentage of students are performing below grade level in math.
        - b. **Root Cause 2:** Ineffective Tier 1 and Tier 2 instructional strategies that help connect concepts across curriculum and build real world connections.
        - c. **Root Cause 3:** Limited exposure to real world experiences related to math and number sense.

- iii. Need: Cultivate a culture and climate that prioritizes communication and collaboration with all stakeholders that aligns with achievement for all students.
  - 1. Goal: Increase communication with all stakeholders to occur on a weekly basis to support academic involvement and achievement for all students.
    - a. Root Cause 1: Inconsistent attendance to parent workshops to promote effective communication and support for parents to successfully help their child with curriculum at home.
    - b. Root Cause 2: Inconsistent two-way communication between community and school with all staff and stakeholders.

#### 4. **Communication, Parent Involvement & School Improvement**

- a. **Safety Update:**
  - i. Safety Seal of GA Application
- b. **School Data- Review:**
  - i. Progress Monitoring
    - 1. Amira:
      - a. Tier 1- Weekly in the classroom
    - 2. Math (Pre and Post Assessments)
      - a. Happy Numbers
    - 3. Tiered Interventions:
      - a. Tier 2- Every 2-3 Weeks
      - b. Tier 3- Every 2 Weeks
  - ii. GaCCRPI 2025
- c. **Schedule:**
  - i. Changes Expected:
    - 1. Thanksgiving Day Lunch
      - a. Expecting over 1,100 visitors
    - 2. MOY Testing:
      - a. December 1st-5th: Amira
      - b. December 8th-12th: Acadience & Beacon
- d. **Curriculum Update**
  - i. Grades:
    - 1. Encoding assessments in K
    - 2. Cumulative Yearly Average
- e. **Communication**
  - i. Weekly: Classroom/Grade Level Newsletters
  - ii. As Needed: Dojo, Infinite Campus: All Calls, Texts, Emails, Facebook, School Website
  - iii. Monthly: Student Engagement & Parental Involvement
- f. **Parent Engagement Events: Parent Involvement Newsletter (provided at BOY)**

- i. Meetings at School
  - 1. Jan. 23rd: STEAM Night
  - 2. Feb 4th-6th: Muffins in the Morning & Bookfair
- ii. Events at School
- iii. PTO: Meets Monthly
- g. Rewards & Recognitions**
  - i. Students:
    - 1. Daily/Weekly
      - a. Positive Behavior Referrals: Wall of Fame
        - i. Wall of student pictures to support recognition of Positive Behavior Referrals.
    - 2. Monthly
      - a. Student of the Month
  - ii. Staff Monthly:
    - 1. Birthdays & whole staff appreciation
  - iii. Student Attendance- Monthly
    - 1. Perfect attendance includes no tardies per the student handbook.
    - 2. 33 Students with 6 or more absences
      - a. Tier 2: 5th Unexcused or Excused Absence
        - i. 6th Unexcused- School Attendance Committee Meeting
      - b. Tier 3:
        - i. 7th Unexcused District Attendance Committee Meeting
        - ii. 10th Unexcused: Letter Mailed of CHINS Referral
          - 1. Child in Need of Services
  - iv. Random Acts of Kindness Initiative:
    - 1. Nov.- Gratitude Jar

**5. Budget:**

- a. \$10,000
  - i. Happy Numbers: \$4350.00- Aligns with SIP goal 2.
    - 1. Remaining: \$5,650.00

**6. Facility, Calendar & Policy Input**

**a. Upcoming Events:**

- i. December:
  - 1. 4th: Christmas Parade
  - 2. 5th: CIS Book Giveaway
  - 3. 11th: Shopping with the Canes
  - 4. 15th- 19th: Christmas Spirit Week
  - 5. 1st Semester Behavior Recognition
  - 6. 100+ Positive Behavior Referrals

**b. Meeting Dates: Third Tuesday of each month.**

- i. January 20th
- ii. February 17th

- iii. March 17th
- iv. April 21st (Additional date if needed)

**7. Adjournment**