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Dear Families and Community Members,

On behalf of the Corinth School District, I am excited to welcome our students, teachers, and staff back for the 2026-2027 school year. We look forward to partnering with each of you to help our children achieve their highest potential and have a great year.

As we prepare to welcome our students back to school, I want to take a moment to share my deep sense of hope and enthusiasm for the year ahead. It is an incredible honor to serve as the Superintendent of the Corinth School District, and I am filled with gratitude for the opportunity to work with our educators, parents, and community members alike.

Our classrooms will soon be filled with the sounds of learning, laughter, and connection. Our administrators, teachers, and staff have been hard at work preparing safe, engaging, and nurturing environments where each student can thrive. Whether your child is walking through our doors for the first time or stepping into their final year with us, we are committed to making this school year a meaningful one.

Together, we will celebrate accomplishments, support one another through obstacles, and build a school community rooted in kindness, respect, and high expectations. As we welcome students back, I invite you—our families, business leaders, faith partners, and civic supporters—to stay engaged and involved. Your partnership is the heart of what makes our schools strong.

Thank you for entrusting us with your most precious gift—your children. I look forward to working hand in hand with you to make this a great year in the Corinth School District.

Respectfully,

John Barnett, Ed. D.
Superintendent
Corinth School District



Important Back-to-School Dates

Corinth High School

Schedule Pickup and Open House: Thursday, July 23 from 4-6 p.m.*

Corinth Middle School

5th grade Meet the Teacher: Wednesday, July 22 from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

6th grade Meet the Teacher: Thursday, July 23 from 5-7 p.m.

7th and 8th grade Schedule Pickup: Thursday, July 23 from 5-7 p.m.

Corinth Elementary School

Pre-Kindergarten Camp: Tuesday, July 21 from 9-10 a.m.

Kindergarten Camp: Monday, July 20 from 9-10 a.m.

Meet the Teacher: Thursday, July 23 from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

First Day for All Students

July 27



*If you are unable to pick up your schedule at this time, you can stop by the CHS office on Friday, July 24 to pick it up.

2026-27 School Calendar

July

22-24 Staff Professional Development
27 First Day of School for All Students

September

7 Labor Day Holiday
25 Last Day of Grading Period
28-30 Fall Break

October

1-9 Fall Break
12 Students Return to School
First Day of Grading Period
15 Report Cards

November

23-27 Thanksgiving Holidays

December

15-18 Exams
18 Last Day of Grading Period/60% Day
21-31 Christmas Holidays

January

1 Christmas Holidays
4 Staff Professional Development
5 Students Return to School
First Day of Grading Period
7 Report Cards
18 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

March

5 Last Day of Grading Period
8-19 Spring Break
22 Students Return to School
First Day of Grading Period
25 Report Cards
26 Good Friday

May

24-27 Exams
27 Last Day of Grading Period
28 Staff Professional Development
28 Graduation at 7 p.m.



Introducing **NEW** Employees

Corinth Elementary School

Olivia Arnold • Teacher
Emily Cruz • Teacher
Mary Isabel Goad • Music Teacher
Lana Godwin • Teacher Assistant
Anna-Grace Hamm • Teacher
Susana Hernandez-Nochebuena • Teacher Assistant
Courtney Marlar • Teacher and Coach
Lori Allyson Mitchell • Teacher Assistant
Chloe Pounders • Teacher
Gloria Rodriguez • Teacher
Chase Slother • Teacher

Elizabeth Solis • Teacher
Kaylee Taylor • Teacher
Jessica Wolff • Teacher Assistant

Corinth Middle School

Addy Devers • Teacher
Matt Ellis • Social Worker and Coach
Gabriela Nieto-Hale • Teacher
Henlei Posey • Teacher
Jada Rich • Teacher and Coach
Jarvis Smithey • Teacher and Coach

Corinth High School

Ben Aldridge • Teacher and Coach
Sarah Beth Alexander • Teacher
Jackson McCoy • Teacher and Coach
Boomer Mize • Coach
Chris Rankin • Teacher and Coach

Central Office

Milton Ray • Assistant Superintendent

New Attendance Policy

The Mississippi Department of Education has updated its statewide attendance policies, **mandating that students attend at least 66% of your student's instructional day to be marked present.**

Also, students may receive up to 5 excused absences per semester (includes parent notes and medical excuses). Additional excused absences beyond the semester limit require principal or superintendent approval for extenuating circumstances. Absences due to illness beyond the 3rd absence require medical documentation.

After 5 unexcused absences, a school attendance officer will begin

intervention efforts to address chronic absenteeism. Interventions can include parent notification, identifying barriers to attendance and an individual attendance success plan.

Ultimately, these new guidelines emphasize the critical role of daily attendance in student success. Every day counts, so please send your student to school and make attendance a priority for the upcoming school year.



New VisitorSafe System

The district is excited to announce the implementation of Raptor VisitorSafe, a visitor management software that enhances school safety by verifying the identities of our school visitors.

VisitorSafe is a check-in kiosk for parents, volunteers, and campus visitors that records and monitors entries and exits as well as provides a picture-ID name badge to wear during a visit.

Parents and guardians will need to provide a driver's license and be listed on the student's account as an approved person in order to check out a student.

Beginning this school year, no call-ins will be accepted to check a student out of school.

To streamline the visitor check-in process, parents and visitors can download the **Raptor Safe App** (available in the App Store) to pre-verify their identity, allowing for a shorter sign-in process when they arrive on campus.

Additionally, students will receive an ID card with a bar code, which will be used as their lunch card and to check in and out of school.

We appreciate your support and cooperation as we work together to keep our schools safe!

CHS and CMS Boost Credit Options and Student Success

Daily operations at Corinth High School and Corinth Middle School will be transformed through new scheduling, enhancing student learning, easing transitions, and better preparing students for future success.

Corinth High School Block Schedule

CHS is moving to a “five by five” block schedule, providing students with the opportunity to earn ten credits each year. Under this new schedule, students will complete five classes in the fall semester and a different five classes in the spring.

This transition allows the school to offer up to 40 credits over four years, a substantial jump from the 28 total credits possible under the seven-period format. Additionally, daily class lengths will increase to 75-minute periods.

The expanded credit system will particularly benefit students involved in athletics and C-Tech career and technical programs, whose schedules often fill up quickly under the seven-period format. Additionally, struggling students will have

the chance to re-enroll in a class during the spring semester after remediation, ensuring they do not lose an entire year scrambling for credits. The school will continue to offer Cambridge Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) classes within the block scheduling format.

Corinth Middle School Team Teaching

Fifth and sixth-graders at CMS will step into a new team-teaching schedule designed to boost learning and ease their eventual transition into higher grades. Chris Killough, CMS principal, explained that moving from a single teacher in a single classroom to changing classes in the seventh grade is traditionally a difficult leap that can challenge students’ time management, organization, behavior, and academic performance.

The new approach, which mirrors successful schedules in surrounding schools, breaks down as follows:

- **Fifth Grade Structure:** Students will switch between two main classrooms. One instructor

will teach English Language Arts (ELA), Social Studies, and Reading, while the other teacher focuses on Math and Science.

- **Sixth Grade Structure:** Students will have their days split among four specialized teachers covering ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies/Reading.

- **Dedicated Support Periods:** Both grade levels will feature dedicated periods called “Warrior Time” and “WIN” (What I Need) to focus on remediation, individualized instruction, and enrichment.

Killough also noted that this structure allows teachers to specialize in their specific subject areas, which research shows helps boost overall student success.

Overall, these strategic scheduling updates reflect the Corinth School District’s commitment to evolving alongside student needs. As these changes take effect this school year, Corinth families can look forward to a more balanced daily workload, robust support systems, and expanded pathways toward graduation and future academic success.

ActiveParent

Parents can sign up for ActiveParent, the district’s parent portal for viewing grades and student information, by going to **www.corinth.k12.ms.us** and clicking on the Parent tab in the top right corner of the website. Then, click on the ActiveParent logo. Before adding students to their accounts, parents must have an “Active Code.” Parents may contact the school their child attends to receive their code.



SchoolStatus

Teachers communicate with parents through SchoolStatus, a messaging and voice platform. Each class or group’s text message thread will come from a unique number. Make sure your child’s school has your current cell phone number on file.

Child Nutrition

To get information about Corinth's Child Nutrition program, go to **LINQConnect.com** to log in or go to **www.corinth.k12.ms.us**, click on "Student Services" then "Child Nutrition."

Your child may qualify for free or reduced price meals. Be sure to fill out an application at **www.corinth.k12.ms.us**. Click on "Student Services," then "Child Nutrition" and then "Apply for Free/Reduced Meals." Please include all household members on one application. **You must complete a new application even if you completed an application last year.** Applications are only valid for one school year. Free and reduced lunch applications may be filled out anytime during the school year. The Corinth School District cannot approve an application that is not complete, so please be sure to fill out all required information.

Ways to Pay:

1. Online at LINQConnect.com

2. By check or cash in the following ways:

- Student can give money to the cashier while going through the serving line.
- Elementary students can give money to their teacher to be turned in to the cafeteria.
- Parent/guardian can bring money to Central Office.



First Week Menus

July 27

Breakfast:

Bread Slice, Lemon
Banana Bread Slice
Cereal, Cinnamon Toast
Assorted Fruit Cup
Orange Smiles (Fresh)
Chocolate or White Milk

Lunch:

Pepperoni Stuffed Crust Pizza
Cheesy Breadstick
Whole Kernel Corn
Tossed Salad
Pineapple Tidbits
Assorted Fruit Juice
Chocolate or White Milk

July 28

Breakfast:

French Toast Sticks
Strawberry Yogurt
Cereal, Fruit Loops
Assorted Fruit Juice
Strawberries
Chocolate or White Milk

Lunch:

Beef Steak Burger
Turkey and Cheese Croissant
Baked Beans
French Fries
Mandarin Oranges
Grapes
Chocolate or White Milk

July 29

Breakfast:

Sausage Biscuit
Trix Cereal
Assorted Fruit Juice
Bananas
Chocolate or White Milk

Lunch:

Beefy Nacho Grande
Ham and Cheese Wrap
Refried Beans
Salsa
Fresh Baby Carrots
Mexican Street Corn
Rosey Applesauce
Assorted Fruit Juice
Chocolate or White Milk

July 30

Breakfast:

Pancake Bites
Strawberry Yogurt
Bacon
Cereal, Lucky Charms
Assorted Fruit Juice
Peaches
Chocolate or White Milk

Lunch:

Chicken Nuggets
Turkey and Cheese Wrap
Dinner Roll
Creamy Mashed Potatoes
Seasoned Green Beans
Apples
Pears
Chocolate or White Milk

July 31

Breakfast:

Breakfast Hot Pocket
Cereal, Cinnamon Toast
Assorted Fruit Juice
Apples
Chocolate or White Milk

Lunch:

Corn Dog
Sunbutter and Jelly Sandwich
Peanut Butter and Grape Jelly
Uncrustables
Tater Tots
Cheesy Broccoli
Assorted Fruit Juice
Peaches, diced
Ice Cream
Chocolate or White Milk

Reminder!



Tuesday, July 21

Pre-K Orientation
9-10 a.m.

Monday, July 20

Kindergarten Orientation
9-10 a.m.

Corinth Elementary School • 1910 Droke Road

Reminder: Parents need to stay for an informational meeting



CORINTH SCHOOL DISTRICT
FOUNDATION
GOLF CLASSIC

SAVE THE DATE

FRIDAY, SEPT. 18 • SHILOH RIDGE

All proceeds benefit Corinth School District
teachers and students.

Registration open at www.corinth.k12.ms.us/golf



Show your Warrior Pride!

We are launching the **first-ever** Corinth School District Specialty License Plate, and we need 300 pre-paid applications to get started!

The Corinth School District Foundation announces the first-ever Corinth School District license plate! This specialty plate will allow community members to showcase their Warrior pride while directly supporting the school.

The Foundation must secure 300 pre-paid applications from community members before the Mississippi Department of Revenue can begin official production.

The financial impact of the program is substantial. Each specialty tag requires a \$33 pre-order fee, from which \$24 goes directly to the Corinth School District Foundation. If the community successfully meets the 300-tag minimum requirement, it will generate over \$7,000 annually in recurring funds to enhance the educational environment for Corinth teachers and students.

Founded in 2015, the Corinth School District Foundation is a 501c3 organization that financially supports the school district to reach every child through funding innovative and creative opportunities and resources that will enhance their future academic achievement.

Applications are available at www.corinth.k12.ms.us. Additionally, a paper application will be sent home with each CES and CMS student the first week of school. Payment methods include Venmo, PayPal, Apple Pay, exact cash (no change available), or checks made payable to the Corinth School District Foundation. **Completed forms and payments can be dropped off directly at the front offices of CES, CMS and CHS.**

**For FAQs and to print an application, go to www.corinth.k12.ms.us/tag
Questions? tag@corinthfoundation.org**

School Contact Information



Corinth Elementary School

1910 Droke Rd ▪ (662) 286-5245
Hours: 7:15 a.m.-4 p.m.

Mrs. Jamie Nunley, Principal
jnunley@corinth.k12.ms.us

Mrs. Alysia Holley, Assistant Principal
aholley@corinth.k12.ms.us

Mrs. Lindsay Degani, Assistant Principal
lkdegani@corinth.k12.ms.us



Corinth Middle School

1000 E 5th St ▪ (662) 286-1261
Hours: 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Mr. Chris Killough, Principal
ckillough@corinth.k12.ms.us

Mr. Alex Bondurant, Assistant Principal
abondurant@corinth.k12.ms.us



Corinth High School

1310 North Harper Road ▪ (662) 286-1000
Hours: 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Mr. Adam Kirk, Principal
akirk@corinth.k12.ms.us

Mr. Marty Walker, Assistant Principal
kwalker@corinth.k12.ms.us

Mrs. Allison Hall, Assistant Principal
ahall@corinth.k12.ms.us

Student Handbook

Be sure to review the new 2026-2027 Student Handbook at **www.corinth.k12.ms.us** under "Student Life" prior to the start of school. Parents and students are expected to sign and return the Student Handbook Acknowledgment Form located at the end of the handbook. Hard copies of the acknowledgment form will be available at Open House and on the first day of school.

Bus Information

For information about bus rules, loading and unloading procedures and bus conduct, go to the Student Handbook at **www.corinth.k12.ms.us**.

Weekly Warrior

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