



BIBB COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Springdale Elementary Celebrates Leadership Day

[Springdale Elementary School Macon, GA](#) hosted its annual Leadership Day, which allowed students to showcase what they've learned at the [Leader in Me](#) Lighthouse School. The day included student performances, classroom visits, and presentation's about the school's Season of Giving initiative. Parents, community members and leaders from across the District visited the school for the morning.



'I think I would want someone to donate to me': Springdale Elementary students give back to community during Season of Giving event

Through the Season of Giving event, students learn about the importance of giving, as well as the impact of charitable organizations across Central Georgia.

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Students and Staff Participate in Eastside Cleanup



Thank you to students and staff from Appling Middle School and Burdell-Hunt Magnet School, Campus Police, Board of Education member Dr. Sundra Woodford and many more students and staff for coming out to support the Safe Routes to School initiative at [Burdell-Hunt Elementary Magnet School](#) in partnership with [United Way of Central Georgia](#)!



Union Elementary Holds Mock Vote



Fifth grade students at Union Elementary held a Student Mock Election to learn about voting rights and civic engagement. Candidates campaigned with posters and campaign videos for the following positions: Student Body President, Student Body Vice President, Student House Representative, Student Senate Representative, Student Supreme Court Representative, and Student Local Courts Representative.

In order to vote, students had to register (have a signed permission slip from parents); have their ID (student badge), and check in. Voting booths were set up in the gym where students used Microsoft Forms to cast their votes. This was a great real-life voting experience that set the stage for students to learn about civic responsibility.



Ballard-Hudson Hosts Program for Red Ribbon Week



Take a look at how Red Ribbon Week went at [Ballard Hudson Middle School](#)! Campus Police Deputy Chief Stephanie Prater joined several guest speakers at Ballard-Hudson Middle School during Red Ribbon Week to talk with students about the dangers and consequences of drugs and alcohol, along with offering words of encouragement. Deputy Chief Prater chose to give them a history lesson about Ret. Chief Beverly Bailey-Harvard, who was a graduate of Ballard-Hudson and went on to become the first female and first African-American female to head a major municipal police department in the nation with the Atlanta Police Department from 1994-2004.

GA Tutor Services Available for Free to High School Students



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Students, need help with homework assignments? Support catching up with classwork? Stay on track with help from GaTutor, an online tutoring platform for all public school students in grades 9-12! Students are able to schedule one-on-one tutoring sessions outside of regular school hours, including nights and weekends, with tutors who are certified teachers! Visit <http://www.gatutor.org> or log in to GaTutor through your Infinite Campus student portal account through ClassLink.

Bibb County Board of Education Wins Awards at Georgia School Boards Association



The Bibb County School Board received two awards at the Georgia School Board Association (GSBA) Conference, which was held in Atlanta last week. The Board was recognized with the Leading Edge Award 2023 and the Exemplary School Board Award. Members of the Bibb County Board of Education include President Dr. Juawn Jackson, Vice President Myrtice C. Johnson, Treasurer Kristin Hanlon, Dr. Thelma Dillard, Dr. Sundra Woodford, James Freeman, Daryl Morton and Dr. Lisa Garrett-Boyd.

Alexander II Magnet School Raises Awareness for Diabetes



Students and teachers at [Alexander II Magnet School](#) took a walk around the school during their "specials" periods to raise awareness for diabetes during National Diabetes Awareness Month in November. Diabetes is a condition that has affected many families in our community, and we love seeing students becoming more connected to the world around them!

BCSD Social Studies Team Presents at National Conference



Bibb County School District Social Studies Coordinator and several Social Studies leaders from throughout the District presented at the National Council for the Social Studies (NCSS) Conference 2023 in Nashville, Tenn. Bibb's team was among thousands of social studies teachers and staff from across the country at the conference last week. This was the first time in the history of the Bibb County School District that leaders and educators from the District presented at the NCSS Conference. The team has been invited to present at other conferences and events across the nation.

Students Give Feedback at Taste of BCSD Food Show



[Bibb County School Nutrition](#) hosted a Taste of BCSD Food Show for students! Students from schools throughout the District were able to try different food options from potential school nutrition vendors. They ranked each food item and let the nutrition staff know what their favorite items were from the event! Thank you students and staff for your help!

Trees Donated to Three Elementary Schools in Bibb



Bibb County School District partnered with [Keep Macon-Bibb Beautiful](#), Macon-Bibb County Parks & Recreation, and Cox Communications to plant trees at three elementary schools - Ingram-Pye Elementary, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary, and Veterans Elementary. A small ceremony was held at Ingram-Pye Elementary in November to celebrate the donation, pictured above. Communities in Schools of Central Georgia also provided support for the donation with a community cleanup at Veterans Elementary. We are so thankful for community partnerships like these that lead to lasting improvements on our playgrounds!

Merrie's Closet Makes Sock Donation for Holidays



Thanks to [Robins Financial Credit Union](#), through its support of Merrie's Closet, for donating socks for students this holiday season. Representatives from Student Support Services and District Effectiveness and Federal Programs accepted the donation.

Bernd Elementary Hosts Veterans Day Program



Several of our schools hosted programs honoring Veterans Day last month. At [Bernd Elementary](#), this included performances by both student groups and Principal Dr. Chad Thompson, as well as remarks from Master Sergeant Michael Barnes about his time in the military. We are grateful for the service of all of our veterans!



Capital Programs Team Member's Artwork Featured in Exhibit



Have you had a chance to visit the latest [Macon200](#) exhibition? Tanner Coleman, Construction Coordinator for Capital Programs, has installed an 80' bamboo structure that is suspended from the ceiling! It is a dome-shaped structure that is meant to be a meditative space.

Tanner said, "It was my hope that through the experience of this work, one might lose their sense of place, sense of time, and sense of being. The dome shape of the work could also be attributed to the mounds that are an essential architectural structure for our wonderful Central Georgian city." The Bicentennial Art Show's final themed exhibition, "A Sense of Place," celebrating [Macon+Bibb County](#)'s bicentennial, is the last of three exhibitions and will be on display through December 31 at the Macon Mall.

Georgia Tech Visits Northeast High for Nanotechnology Lesson



Leslie O'Neill and Mikkel Thomas from [Georgia Tech](#) visited Dr. Suneetha Panda's classroom at [Northeast High School](#). Dr. Panda, Northeast High School Teacher of the Year, had the opportunity to study in a prestigious summer research program in the field of Nanotechnology at Georgia Tech. Among countless applicants, Dr. Panda was one of only five teachers from the state of Georgia to be selected. As a result, Georgia Tech representatives visited Northeast High on November 13 to assist as students performed a hands-on workshop on Nanotechnology. Nanotechnology is the manipulation of matter on a near-atomic scale to produce new structures, materials, and devices. The team taught the students about Nanotechnologies and how these concepts are a part of everyday items like braces for your teeth and even our money!

BCSD Employee Receives Lifetime Achievement Award



Dr. Danielle Jones, the District's liaison for students who are experiencing homelessness or the foster care system, was named the 2023 recipient of the [National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth](#) Sandra Neese Lifetime Achievement Award! This award honors individuals "who have given so much of their lives so that young people without shelter may find the promise of tomorrow." Congratulations!

Central High Alum Teaches Masterclass Workshop



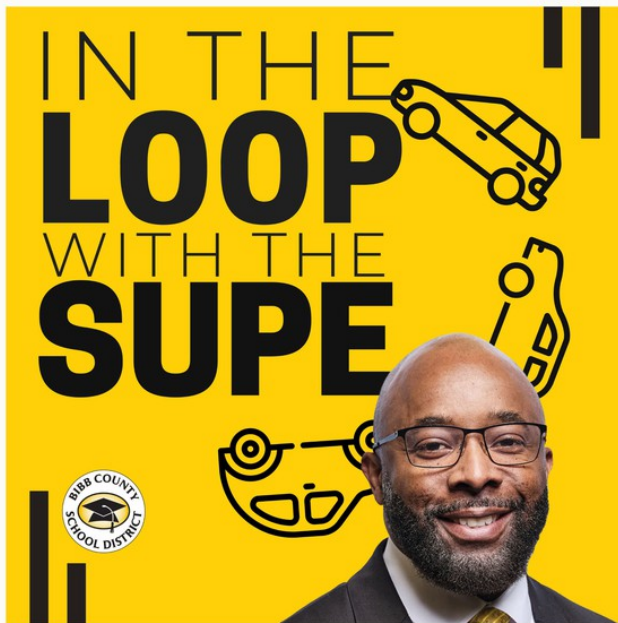
Macon native Lewis Williams led the inaugural "On the Menu" masterclass workshop at [W. S. Hutchings College and Career Academy](#). Williams graduated from Central High School and presented to students about advertising and creative arts careers. He, along with other community members, got to tour the campus as well. Thank you for sharing your knowledge with BCSD students!

Southwest Educator Presented STEM Ambassador Award



Congratulations [Southwest High School](#) teacher Cassandra Ashley for receiving the STEM Educator Ambassador Award! The STEM Educator Ambassador Program recognizes highly qualified practicing STEM educators who support and represent the National STEM Academy and the Academy's Educator Resource Center programs by making connections with educators, families, and communities.

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