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EAST'S AFJROTC EARNS HIGH HONORS

During a recent evaluation by the Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corp, the Air Force Junior ROTC instructors and cadets at East Paulding High School earned an overall unit assessment score of "Exceeds Standards." This is the highest rating attainable during the rated unit evaluation.



According to their review, the instructors, Lt. Col (Ret.) Michael Farr and MSgt (Ret.) James Greene, were recognized as exceptional role models and complemented for providing a very high quality AFJROTC program.

The cadets in the program were also commended.

The cadets performed exceptionally well, and took great pride in leading and accomplishing their unit goals.

The review congratulated East's Air Force Junior ROTC citizenship program for making a positive impact on the cadets, the school and the community.



Congratulations!

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The mission of the Paulding County School District is to prepare
ALL students for success today and tomorrow.



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UPCOMING DATES:

FEBRUARY 5: PROGRESS REPORTS ISSUED

FEBRUARY 15-19: WINTER BREAK

MARCH 1: TEACHER WORK-DAY



FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK...

If you missed our Stakeholders' Meeting at the beginning of the month, you missed an excellent presentation on the state's "Move on When Ready" program. This program allows high school students to be dually enrolled at their home high school and a college or technical school. Students can complete their high school graduation requirements, while also earning college credit. The program is at no cost to parents or students. If your child is interested or qualified to take part in this program, I highly recommend it. Students who take part in the "Move on When Ready" program do not have to pay for tuition, fees or books. By earning college credit before high school graduation, students are able to graduate from college with less student debt. Please visit our website to learn more about "[Move on When Ready](#)."

Beginning next fall, Paulding County will have a new blended learning program. The Paulding Virtual Academy will allow high school students to complete their coursework at their pace, online. The program will be housed at New Hope Education Center and offer flexibility for those students who wish to study outside of a traditional high school classroom setting. An informational meeting will be held on March 3 at 6:30pm in the auditorium at Paulding County High School.

Finally, February is American Heart Month. I encourage everyone to wear red on February 5th to raise awareness about women and heart disease. February is also Black History Month. Please stay tuned to our website to see what our students are learning during this month.

Cliff Cole
Superintendent

Buzz from the Board

February is...

Black History Month

American Heart Month

We observe...



February 2: Groundhog Day

February 5: Nat'l Weatherman's Day

February 8: Boy Scout Day

February 9: Mardi Gras



February 12: Abraham Lincoln's Birthday



February 14: Valentine's Day

February 15: President's Day

February 29: Leap Day (occurs every 4 years, occurs in 2016)

Board Meeting

Dates:

At its January 12th meeting, the board held its annual elections.

**February 9 —
6:15pm**



Mr. Kim Curl was elected to serve as board chairman for 2016. This is Mr. Curl's 22nd year serving on the Paulding County Board of Education. He owns C&C Pharmacy in Dallas.

**February 24—
8:30am**

Mr. Sammy McClure was elected to serve as vice chair. Mr. McClure has served the Paulding County School District in many roles, including a teacher, assistant principal, principal and the district curriculum coordinator prior to his retirement. He previously served as board chairman from 2006-2008. HE was the first African-American to hold that position.



At its January 26th meeting, the board received its monthly financial update for the period that ended November 30th. As of November 30th, revenues were at \$109.5 million and expenditures were at \$94.8 million.

You can read more in our bi-weekly "[News from the Board](#)" newsletter.



Summer School 15-16 @NHEC

Paulding County School District's 2015– 2016 summer school provides an opportunity for all currently enrolled Paulding County School District students in grades 9 – 12 to recover credits attempted throughout the school year. Opportunities for new credit are available on a limited basis. All courses are offered in an online format via A+ software with our teachers/facilitators.

Please note that K12 courses are not accepted by the NCAA for athletic eligibility. If your student is an athlete, you should consult with your home school counselor to support your registration process.

Registration: Registration must be approved and completed by the districted school counselor. Transportation is not provided. \$275.00 per ½ credit; \$550 per full credit in the form of cash, money order, cashier check, or personal checks. Payment must be provided for in full at the time of registration. Refunds are provided prior to June 6, 2016.

Site: New Hope Education Center
4555 Dallas Acworth Highway Dallas GA 30132
Phone 770-445-2656

IDA3 Course Title	CIP Code	IDA3 Course Title	CIP Code
ENGLISH		HISTORY and SOCIAL SCIENCES	
American Literature	23.3510032/3	American Government	45.3570031
British Literature	23.3520032/3	Anthropology	45.3210031
Ninth Gr. Lit & Comp.	23.3610032/3	Economics	45.3610031
World Lit. & Comp.	23.3630032/3	Psychology	45.3150031
MATH		Sociology	45.3310031
Advanced Math Dec. Making	27.385	The Humanities	45.3140032/3
Foundations of Algebra	27.3481	US History	45.3810032/3
GSE Algebra I	27.3990032/3	World Geography	45.3711032/3
GSE Algebra II	27.3992032/3	World History	45.3830032/3
GSE Analytic Geometry	27.3972032/3	WORLD LANGUAGES	
GSE Geometry	27.0991002/3	Spanish I	60.3710032/3
Mathematics I	27.381	SCIENCE	
Mathematics II	27.382	Biology I	26.3120032/3
Mathematics III	27.383	Chemistry I	40.3510032/3
ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES		Earth Systems	40.3640032/3
General Physical Ed I	36.3110032/3	Environmental Science	26.3611032/3
Health	17.311	Physical Science	40.3110032/3
High School Transition	35.368	Physics I	40.3810032/3
Personal Fitness	36.3510031		

Class Session Information: June 6, 2016—July 1, 2016

AM session: 08:00 – 11:00

PM session: 11:30 – 02:30

All assessments must be completed at our facility. Students will have the option to select the class session that best fits their summer schedule based upon availability.



EOC Testing: July 5, 6, 7 [additional info provided during class]

Virtual Learning: Students have the option to request our virtual learning model. Virtual learning students will have full access to NHEC teachers/facilitators. Approved students may work from home while completing assignments. All assessments must be completed at the NHEC facility.

2015-2016 REFLECTIONS WINNERS

Visual Arts

- K - Dalia Boyle (Allgood), Gracin Miller (Poole) & Mia Cossick (Shelton)
- 1 - Ethan Chrisandut (McGarity), Kaelyn Syck (McGarity) & Ally Saxon (Shelton)
 - 2 - Alyssa Foote (Allgood), Emma Paduch (Burnt Hickory) & Kyrie Freeman (New Georgia)
 - 3 - Bryant Mason (Northside), Jackson Pugh (Dallas) & Jackson Kelly (Shelton)
 - 4 - Keelie Armstrong (Nebo), Sadie Tatum (Allgood) & Abbigayle Chapman (Roberts)
 - 5 - Samiah Antoine (Allgood), Emma Howey (Abney) & Cate Cochran (New Georgia)
 - 6 - Reece Davis (Austin), Elizabeth Twonsend (Moses) & Amelia Haldane (Austin)
 - 7 - Catherine Basch (EPMS), Noah Shaw (Austin) & Zari Cooper (Scoggins)
 - 8 - Amelia Boyd (EPMS), Hadley Davis (Austin) & Maddison Clements (SPMS)
 - 9 - Logan Brantley (PCHS) & Claire Waters (EPHS)
 - 10 - Kami Hall (PCHS), Dawson Stevens (EPHS) & Jameria Rutledge (EPHS)
 - 11 - Alex Shawn Brandon (SPHS), Taylor Potter (NPHS) & Janessa Huntley (NPHS)
 - 12 - Claudia Marguin (EPHS), Ashley Lynn Watkins (EPHS) & Caitun Meyor (SPHS)

Photography

- K - Julius Maselka (Allgood), McKenna Zenus (Nebo) & Ella Day Munro (Shelton)
- 1 - Alexander Davis (Abney), Annabeth Taylor (Burnt Hickory) & Zoe Lee (Northside)
 - 2 - Meadow Brigman (Poole), Emma Marks (New Georgia) & Elijah Leggett (Ragsdale)
 - 3 - Addison Hlasnicek (Shelton) & Rowan Jacobs (Poole)
 - 4 - Jack Andrist (New Georgia), Kylie Nash (New Georgia) & Charlee Edison (Hiram)
 - 5 - Mackenzie Cronon (Allgood), Mikayla Madden (Abney) & Emma Grooves (Nebo)
 - 6 - Caleb Clevenger (McClure), Quadriyah Williams (Dobbins) & Emi Pergrem (Moses)
 - 7 - Catherine Basch (EPMS), Nick Parker (EPMS) & Presley Brigman (Moses)
 - 8 - Madison Clemente (SPMS), Madison Clevenger (McClure) & Cheyenne Klapste (EPMS)
 - 9 - Alejandro Fryer-Gallindo (EPHS) two entries moving on
 - 10 - Tristan Katzman (EPHS) two entries moving on
 - 11 - Taylor Potter (NPHS)
 - 12 - Caroline Jones (NPHS) & Chrysta Morris (NPHS)

Film

- 2 - Connor Biskup (Burnt Hickory), Nathaniel Thompson (New Georgia) & Ally Burnsed (Abney)
- 3 - Daniel Steinberg (Poole)
- 4 - Krystal Garland (Nebo), Eliana Terrebone (Abney), Taylor Weaver (Burnt Hickory), Brianna Workman (Burnt Hickory) & Chloe Pergrem (Roberts)
- 5 - Ashley Burnsed (Abney) & Karsyn Reed (Shelton)
- 6 - Keely West (Dobbins)
- 7 - Haley Peek (EPMS)

Literature

- K - Jack Kirkman (Abney), Anthony Robinson (McGarity) & Ella Day Munro (Shelton)
- 1 - Kaianna Burrell (Nebo), Liam Waldorf (McGarity) & Sydni Sanders (Abney)
 - 2 - Jocelyn McElroy (Dugan), Allison Turner (Northside) & Elouise Slack (New Georgia)
 - 3 - Landen Greenway (New Georgia), Emma Kennedy (Allgood) & Benjamin Perez (Shelton)
 - 4 - Olivia Baker (Abney), Hunter Frey (McGarity) & Victoria Culbreath (Nebo)
 - 5 - Jamie Amanze (Allgood), Sebastian Galindo (Roberts) & Alex Arivett (Union)
 - 6 - Naomi Bacchus (EPMS) & Gianna Sandy (Moses)
 - 7 - Molly Barclay (EPMS) & Nick Parker (EPMS)
 - 8 - Madison Clevenger (McClure) & Grace Pruitt (EPMS)
 - 9 - Janell Fields (EPHS)
 - 10 - Bryson Bradley (NPHS) & Jesse Jay Schaefer (EPHS)
 - 11 - Tanekia Jackson (NPHS) & Chandler Knight (NPHS)

Dance

- K - McKenna Zenus (Nebo)
- 2 - Haley Cunningham (Abney)
 - 4 - Emily West (Nebo)
 - 5 - Presley Allen (Nebo), Sophia Pigo (Poole) & Madison Daniel (Nebo)
 - 6 - Daria Wiederhold (Ritch)
 - 7 - Madison Hufstetter (EPMS)
 - 11 - Sarah Meyer (NPHS)

Music

- 1 - Lillie Brown (Abney)
- 2 - Ally Burnsed (Abney) & Tate Ragsdale (Poole)
- 3 - Ivey Hayes (Northside)
- 4 - Krystal Garland (Nebo)
- 5 - Caroline Brubaker (Shelton), Cullen Sizemore (Burnt Hickory) & Kristen Lester (Allgood)
- 6 - Mya Bacchus (EPMS), Quadriyah Williams (Dobbins) & Keely West (Dobbins)
- 8 - Ryan Jackman (Ritch) & Sierra Johnson (McClure)
- 10 - Katherine Sebastian (NPHS)

Special Artists

Literature - Kaylee Caballero (Abney), Rachel Johnson (Abney), Adam Mastoras (Abney), Rylan Olson (Abney), Amber Tidwell (Abney), Christina Williams (Abney)

Dance - McKenzie Carey (Scoggins)

Visual Arts - Amber Tidwell (Abney), Christina Williams (Abney), Kaylee Caballero (Abney), Adam Mastoras (Abney), Rachel Johnson (Abney), Rylan Olson (Abney), Joshua Riddle (McGarity), Willie Harris (McGarity), Ava Little (Ragsdale), Darren Tanner (Roberts), Fola Olowokere (EPMS), Zeshan Shabbir (EPMS), Matthew Griffin (NPHS)



Promoting Understanding In Mathematics

► Point out ways you use math in everyday life. When you are shopping together, have your child compare prices and choose the best buys.

► Give your child the opportunity to handle dollars and cents. Have him or her find the correct amount to pay for a meal or calculate a fair tip.

► Show your child how to divide a cake or pie into similar pieces for a number of guests. This is fractions at work!

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Attendance:
What to Say to Students

- School is your first and most important job.
- School only gets harder when you stay home too much.
- Skipping school can have serious consequences, like losing your driver's license.

Absences Add up!
#SCHOOL EVERY DAY
Missing just 2 days a month means a child misses 10% of the school year.

INTERNATIONAL SKILLS DIPLOMA SEAL

In today's global marketplace, it is important for students to acquire the interdisciplinary skills they need to be globally competent and competitive. To recognize students who have completed an international education curriculum and engaged in extracurricular activities and experiences that foster the achievement of global competencies, the high schools in Paulding County have been approved to award an International Skills Diploma Seal to eligible graduating high school students. An application for students will be available March 1st on the website for students who have met the following criteria:

- At least three credits in the same world language and/or ESOL,
- At least four credits in courses determined to have an international focus, such as economics, world/non-US history, world geography, etc.,
- At least four extracurricular activities and experiences with global themes and/or global contexts,
- 20 hours of community service involving a global service project, and
- Capstone presentation on the knowledge gained in the courses and activities listed above

For more information, visit <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Curriculum-and-Instruction/Pages/International-Skills-Diploma-Seal.aspx>

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW GEORGIA ELEMENTARY READING BOWL TEAM

The team placed **FIRST** in the County competition January 30th !



Team members include: Lauren Bolding, Amber Clearman, Kristen Cotton, Gabe Dodge, Trinity Gann, Madison Quinones, Peyton Robinson, Brandon Steele, and Braylen Wilson

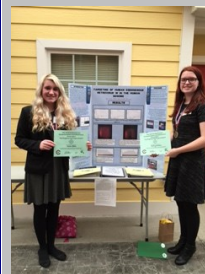
Alternates: Kaylin Dills and McKenzie McCoy

Coaches: Brittney West and Sarah Cooney

The team advances to the regional competition later this month.

PCHS STUDENTS COMPETE IN COBB/PAULDING REGIONAL SCIENCE FAIR

Two teams from Paulding County High School entered the Cobb/Paulding Regional Science Fair in late January.

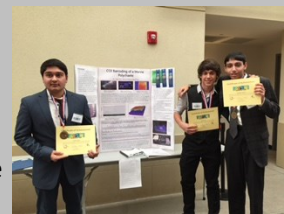


Team 1: Lena Allen and Ashley Brown

This duo's project was titled "Targeting of Human Endogenous Retrovirus within the Human Genome." They placed first in their category and won the 2016 Armed

Forces Communications and Electronics Association Top Engineering Project Award~ \$50 Prize!

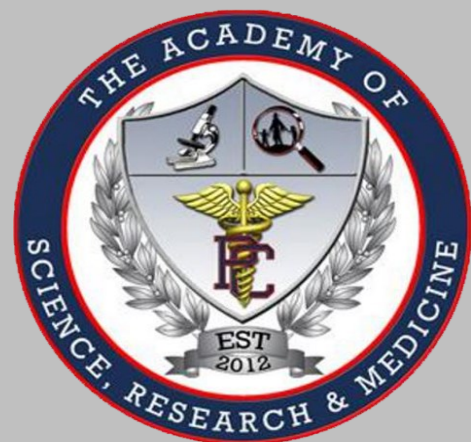
Team 2: David Frey, Parth Patel, and Michael Hassan



This trio's project was titled "COI Genetic Barcoding of a Marine Polychaete." They also placed first in their category.

Both teams will advance to the state competition in Athens, March 31st-April 2nd, 2016.

Both teams and their teacher, Marc Pedersen, represented Paulding County with distinction.



FREE MICROSOFT OFFICE 2013

The Paulding County School District is very excited to have the opportunity to offer the Microsoft Office 2013 suite to all Paulding County students FREE OF CHARGE!

Through the support of Microsoft, we are able to offer five copies of the Microsoft Office 2013 client for each faculty and staff member (may download on five personal computers) and five copies of the mobile app for MS Office (may install on five personal mobile devices). Each copy can be installed on a variety of devices and platforms.

To get started, go to: <https://products.office.com/en-US/student>

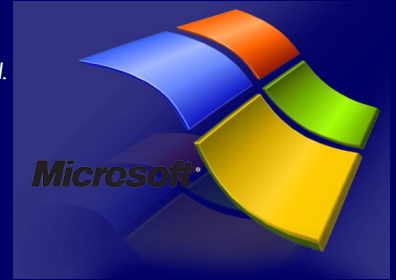
Click on "Find Out More," then "Find Out If You're Eligible." From there, enter your student's student ID (lunch number) + @paulding.k12.ga.us. (ie. 12345@paulding.k12.ga.us).

Passwords are as follows:

Middle and High School students: Use the password your student uses to login to the computer at school.

Elementary students: The password is set to the student ID number (lunch number)

You can find step-by-step directions in the "Find It Fast" section of the District's website.



"No one can make you feel inferior without your consent."

- Eleanor Roosevelt

TRANSITION TUESDAYS

There are many exciting opportunities coming up to learn about the transition from high school to post-secondary life. We explore these in our monthly "Transition Tuesdays" meetings.

December's Topic:
SSI Benefits Navigation
February 9
Hiram High School Cafeteria
6 to 8 p.m.

Childcare and dinner are provided with an RSVP. If you want to receive meeting reminders and updates via text message, please sign up for the Transition Parent Group. Text @pewittpcsd to 81010. You can opt-out of messages as any time by replying "unsubscribe @pewittpcsd." If you have trouble using 81010, try texting @pewittpcsd to 470-235-4271 instead.

For a complete look at this year's Transition Tuesdays lineup, go to: <http://www.paulding.k12.ga.us/site/Default.aspx?PageID=373>

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VISION

The vision of the Paulding County School District is to provide a safe, healthy, supportive environment focused on learning and committed to high academic achievement. Through the shared responsibility of all stakeholders, students will be prepared as life-long learners and as participating, contributing members of our dynamic and diverse community.

