

ALLGOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GATOR GAZETTE

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Principal's Corner

January Events

Tue., January 7

-PTA Stevie B's Spirit Night

Fri. January 10

-District Spelling Bee

Thur., January 16

-PTA Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night

Fri. January 17

-All Pro Dads at 7:30am, gym

Mon. January 20

-No School Martin Luther
King Jr. Holiday

Wed., January 29

-Title I Parent Meeting on
Assessment, 3:00p

Sneak-A-Peek into February

Wed., February 5

-Early Release Day.
Students Dismissed at
12:30pm

Fri., February 7

-PTA Royal Ball

February 17-21,
Winter Break

-No School for Students and
Staff

Happy New Year!!!



I hope your family enjoyed the holiday break and are already off to an amazing 2020! With so many extra-curricular activities at our school, we often forget to share academic news with our families. We are very proud of the progress students are making this year. Your children are growing in both reading and math!

We monitor students' reading and math achievement multiple times a year using the district provided Math Inventory (MI) and Reading Inventory (RI). The MI is measured in 'quantiles' and provides information on how well students are mastering the Georgia math standards. The RI is measured in 'Lexiles'. The RI measures growth a little differently. While there are grade level ranges, a student's score is based on reading levels across all grades (1st-12th).

In December, our students took the MI for the second time this year. In August, 19% of our students were either proficient or advanced in math. We're excited that at the mid-year point, 50% of our students scored either proficient or advanced in math!! This is tremendous growth with half of the year still ahead of us. We are excited about our end of the year prospects and are anxious to see if 100% of our students score proficient or advanced! During January, our students will continue to assess their knowledge on the RI. I look forward to sharing this data with you in February.

Other information I want to share with you is our enrollment and attendance. Since opening the doors to the new school year on August 1, we've enrolled 129 students. Another 83 students have withdrawn. This means there are many new faces around our building that are learning our expectations for participation and behavior. One of the areas in which we struggle is getting everyone to school on time each day. During the 1st semester, 179 students had more than 3 tardies. Of those, 40 students accumulated more than 10 tardies. Even arriving a few minutes late throws off your child's schedule and impacts their teacher's ability to get instruction started quickly each morning. Please help us by leaving home in plenty of time to arrive before 7:55AM. Students are officially tardy if they are not in their classrooms by 8:00AM.

I appreciate all you do to support our Allgood students and staff. We don't take lightly the amazing gift we've been given to work with children each day. Thank you for sharing yours with us!

-Donna Oldham

January's Character Trait of the Month



Addison Weeks



Addison was recognized as an Allgood Outstanding Artist at the BOE meeting on Dec. 10, 2019.



Yearbook NEWS

- The deadline for fifth grade dedication ads is March 9th.
 - The yearbook order deadline is March 13th, 2020.
- Hardcover: \$30,
Hardcover Name plate: \$5
-Order online at
www.yearbookordercenter.com

Phoebe White



Phoebe was recognized as the Allgood Elementary Character Kid at the BOE meeting on Dec. 10, 2019.



All parents are encouraged to participate in the Georgia Parent Survey. The data will be used as part of the calculation of the School Climate Star Rating (CCRPI). **Our school will receive points for your participation.** Survey responses are anonymous and will be submitted directly to the Georgia DOE for analysis. Please complete the survey for each of your children by using the following link or QR code.

<http://gshs.gadoe.org/parents>

Revisiting our School Procedures

Thank you to all of our parents for having children at school on time each day! Please be mindful that students are only released on the sidewalk. Please follow the staff's directions for moving forward and remain stopped and in line until all children have safely exited their cars. Cars moving while students are exiting vehicles creates a dangerous situation. Thank you for your support in keeping everyone safe!!

When planning afternoon appointments, please understand that we can't honor phone requests to have students brought to the front office. Students can be called to the office once parents have checked them out. Changes to PM transportation must be made before 12:00pm and students can't be checked out in the office after 2:00pm. Thank you for your assistance! Please contact the office if you have any questions.

Inclement Weather:

Now is a great time to update student information and emergency release plans. If school closes early for inclement weather, students will be dismissed via their normal routine. If your child goes to a daycare or afterschool program, please contact that facility to find out their procedures. In the event of inclement weather, these facilities typically close early and may not pick students up at schools. Having a plan for weather days, is important to child safety. Please let our office know if you have any questions about dismissal on inclement weather days. Also, please ensure that your home/cell phone voice mailbox is not full; to help make sure that calls go through to your phone. Thank you in advance!

Assessment 411

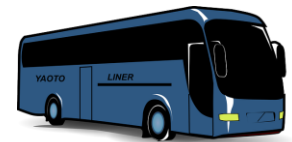
Our next Allgood Title I Parent Meeting is scheduled for **Wed., January 29th at 3:00pm.** Preparing Your Child for State & Local Assessments- Assessments/Results will be explained and Georgia Milestones strategies will be shared. Please RSVP with the flier that will be sent home. If you have any questions please contact mhamilton@paulding.k12.ga.us

5th grade field trip



March 5, 2020
to Chattanooga, TN
9:00am -7:00pm

Cost of the trip for students is \$70.00. The cost for adults is \$85.00 We have unlimited space for chaperones. No siblings allowed. Payment can be made on RevTrak, No Later Than January 31, 2020



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