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### Supt. David Carpenter Announces Retirement



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – **Superintendent of Schools David Carpenter** has announced his retirement effective the end of this school year, May 28, 2010. School system employees learned of his decision today, Feb. 10, 2010.

Supt. Carpenter will retire with 35 years of service with the Houston County School System. He has served as superintendent for three years, since May 2007.

Carpenter remarked, “I have always heard that you would know when it was your time to retire, and I have found this to be true. It has not been an easy decision, but I feel it is the right decision. I will continue to work as hard as I can until the day I walk out the door. There is still much work to do these next few months and I will give it my all. And I want to be on the stage to congratulate every one of our graduates in the Classes of 2010.”

Chairman of the Board Tom Walmer commented, “The entire Board is grateful to have had Mr. Carpenter lead our system the past three years. God puts people in the right place at the right time, and David has definitely been the right person for Houston County. The past 18 months have been tumultuous as we have dealt with unprecedented financial issues and rezoning. David’s leadership and professionalism have guided our school system through these issues while continuing to achieve our goals. He exemplifies “The Houston County Way,” and we are forever indebted to him for his service not only as superintendent, but for his entire career devoted to the children of Houston County.”

Prior to becoming superintendent, Carpenter served as the executive director of elementary operations from 2004. He was principal of Eagle Springs Elementary for five years and principal of Bonaire Elementary for 13 years. In addition, he was the assistant principal at Warner Robins High for three years after teaching and coaching at Warner Robins High and Warner Robins Junior High. His degrees included an Education Specialist degree in Administration/Supervision from the

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University of Ga., a Master of Education from Ga. College, and a Bachelor of Education in Health and Physical Education from Ga. Southern College.

When asked about his retirement plans, Carpenter said with a smile, "I haven't had much time to think about it, but I would hope to get in some golfing and fishing. I'd like to spend some more time with my family, especially my sweet Mother. My wife Susan and I would like to do some more traveling. And I'm sure my brother Danny and I will try to solve the woes of the world while wetting a hook in our pond."

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