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Jones Named Principal of Bonaire Elementary School



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – During the June meeting, the Houston County Board of Education appointed **Willis Jones** as the **Bonaire Elementary School Principal** for the 2010-2011 school year. He replaces Dr. Eric Payne who was named the Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning.

Jones has served as the Kings Chapel Elementary and Perry Primary Assistant Principal for three years, since 2007. Prior to joining the Houston County School System, he worked for the Dodge County School System in Eastman for 14 years. In Dodge he served in many capacities, to include physical education/health teacher, elementary and middle school assistant principal and coach for several sports.

A graduate of Berry College with a bachelor's degree in education, Jones also earned a master's degree in physical education at Armstrong State College in 1985 and a master's degree in education leadership at Georgia Southern University in 2004.

“I am extremely excited about the opportunity to work with the devoted faculty and staff at Bonaire Elementary School,” commented Jones. “My main objective is to continue to strive for the academic excellence that has been established over the years through support of the students, teachers and families that make Bonaire Elementary such a special place. Through all of our efforts we can continue to produce high achieving students.”

Jones is married to Katherine Jones, a teacher at Thomson Middle School. They have three children - Taylor, Ginny and Jess. He and his family reside in Warner Robins.

Bonaire Elementary is located at 101 Elm Street in Bonaire. Jones may be contacted by e-mail at Jessie.Jones@hcbe.net or by phone at (478) 929-7826.

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