



SHES Dr. Traci Jackson Receives Terrel H. Bell Award

Shirley Hills Elementary School Principal Dr. Traci Jackson was presented the Terrel H. Bell Award for Outstanding School Leadership at the 2011 National Blue Ribbon Schools Awards Ceremony. Named for the former U.S. Secretary of Education, this award recognizes outstanding school leaders and the vital role played in overcoming challenging circumstances.



BOE Welcomes New Dietitian

Ms. Lauren Koff has been selected as the new Dietitian for the Houston County Board of Education. Ms. Koff joined the School

Nutrition team Nov. 14, 2011.



November is Military Family Month and a time to celebrate the contributions and sacrifices of our military families. We are thankful for their dedication and service!

School Events Open to the Public

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PHS FFA Wins National Awards

Perry High School's FFA placed third in the nation in the Nursery/Landscape Career Development Event. Team members Jake Parker, Tyler Claxton, Chace Benefield and Mitchell Freeman were each awarded a team Gold emblem as well as individual awards.



NHS Wins 1st at State One-Act

Northside High School won first place at the State One-Act competition for 1AAAA schools with its performance of *How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying*. The bid for State was held Nov. 5, 2011, at Veterans High. This is Northside High's sixteenth state championship in the one-act competition since 1978.



Students Named to State Student Advisory Council

Houston County High School junior Will Freeman and Warner Robins High School senior Morgan Meilinger have been selected to serve on the State Superintendent of School's Student Advisory Council. Superintendent Dr. John Barge named 50 students from across the state to his 2011-2012 Student Advisory Council.



Message from the Superintendent— Thank you, voters!

Thank you, Houston County voters, for passing the E-SPLOST for our schools! Your vote enables us to provide the latest technology for our students and teachers, as well as ensuring safer, more up-to-date facilities. We are excited to begin the

process to bring our classrooms up to 21st Century standards and to upgrade facilities. Your support is appreciated, especially for your contribution toward our overarching goal to achieve our mission to produce high-achieving students and our vision

that our system will be world class.

Wishing you and your family a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday!

Sincerely,
Dr. James R. Hines, Jr.



PHS Wins 1st at Region One-Act

Perry High School won first place at the Region 2AAA One-Act competition with its performance of Eurydice. The cast won a total of seven awards.

HCCHS FFA Team Wins National Silver Medal

Houston County High School's FFA Chapter won a silver medal at the National FFA Dairy Cattle Evaluation Career Development Event. Houston County High's team placed 21st in the nation.



HCCA Culinary Arts Program Earns Industry Certification

Houston County Career Academy's Culinary Arts Program has achieved industry certification. The program is certified by the American Culinary Federation Education Foundation Accrediting Commission's Secondary Certification Committee. Congratulations!

Bonaire Elementary Student Wins FOCUS Design Contest

Bonaire Elementary School fourth-grader Danny Ferrer won the annual FOCUS (Fostering Originality, Creativity, Unique ideas and Self-direction) T-shirt design contest. More than 1,000 entries were submitted. The T-shirt design contest is sponsored by the Houston County Gifted Program. Danny is pictured with his art.



Free Adult Computer Classes Offered

The Houston County School System is offering basic computer classes free of charge to our adult community again this school year. The classes are taught by employees and students who volunteer. All classes are taught from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday evenings at various schools throughout the school year. For more information or to register, please call the central office at (478) 218-7523, ext. 10523.



WRMS Dr. Warren Elected to National Beta Club's State Council

Dr. Donald Warren, Principal of Warner Robins Middle School, has been elected to the

National Beta Club's Georgia State Council. Council members work to coordinate all activities of Junior and Senior Beta Clubs and serve as liaisons to the national office.



Houston County Heritage Foundation

The mission of the Houston County Heritage Foundation is simple – this foundation exists solely to support public education in Houston County. Please consider supporting the Heritage Foundation, which gives 100 percent of contributions to our schools.



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