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HCBOE HEADLINES

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NATIONAL PR AWARD



The Board of Education Community Relations

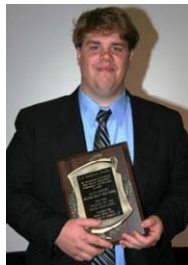
Department was honored by the National School Public Relations Association with a 2008 Award of Merit for the system's e-newsletter, *HCBOE Headlines*.

HCHS TEACHER WINS AWARD



Houston County High School teacher Nelda Clay was named the Georgia Family and Consumer Sciences Teacher of the Year at the 2008 Georgia Association for Career and Technical Education Conference held in July.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR



Alan Bowers, Houston County High School teacher, was named the 2008-2009 Teacher of the Year for the Houston County School System at the system's Opening Session. Employees of the Year and 37 Teachers of the Year were recognized and presented with gifts.

WRHS TEACHER & CADET WIN AFA STATE AWARDS



Warner Robins High School Senior MSgt. (ret.) Antoine Jackson was named Teacher

of the Year by the Georgia Air Force Association. Cadet Thomas Byrd, Warner Robins High 2008 graduate, was named Outstanding Air Force JROTC Cadet of the Year. They were nominated by the local AFA chapter.

WELCOME TO THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR



2008-2009 OFF TO A GREAT BEGINNING!



This school year is off to a great start! As I visit schools across the system, I hear time and time again that this has been the

best opening of school in

memory. This smooth opening is directly attributed to our quality teachers, administrators and support staff. I especially commend transportation, maintenance, facilities, and school nutrition.

Our Opening Session was a big success. Congratulations to

all of our Teachers and Employees of the Year, and special congratulations to Allan Bowers, our Houston County Teacher of the Year.

I wish everybody a great school year!

David Carpenter

FMMS AWARDED GRANT



Feagin Mill Middle School was awarded a \$5,000 grant by Big Lots in July. As part of the Lots2Give contest and Big Lots Teacher Appreciation Day, teachers from FMMS submitted a video and earned enough votes for a first place prize.

HCHS BAND GOES TO DC



Houston County High School's Black and Silver Brigade participated in the July 4th National Independence Day Parade in Washington D.C. While visiting our nation's capitol, the band toured many national treasures.

TUCKER ES MEDIA CENTER



The Tucker Elementary School media center was selected as an honorable mention winner of the 2008 Georgia Exemplary/Exceptional Library Media Program.

Exemplary/Exceptional Library Media Program.

HCBOE WELCOMES NEW DIETITIAN



Houston County Board of Education would like to welcome Meredith Potter, new Dietitian for the School Nutrition Program. "I look forward to joining a great nutrition team and making a positive difference in the lives of Houston County families" said Ms. Potter.

FREE ADULT COMPUTER CLASSES



Houston County School System employees will offer basic computer classes free of charge to our adult community beginning September 8, 2008. Due to the large number of citizens who called and expressed interest in computer training, classes will be offered at five different locations.

Please click on the headline for the schedule.

PERRY HS MEDIA CENTER



The Perry High School media center was selected as a recipient of the Exemplary/Exceptional Library Media Program for 08-09, one of only six school honored statewide.

WHEELCHAIR SPORTS OFFERED FOR HOUSTON COUNTY STUDENTS



The Houston County Board of Education approved adding an adapted sports program to offer students with physical disabilities the opportunity to play sports. The sports are sanctioned by the Georgia High School Association. A meeting to discuss the program will be held on Thursday, September 4, at 6:00 p.m. at Bonaire Middle School. The meeting will be held in the media center. All interested parents and students are invited to attend.

BUSINESSES ASKED TO COMPLETE SURVEY



The HCBOE and MGTC are applying for a grant to establish a Career Academy to serve high school students. The mission of the Academy would be to ensure a viable workforce for Houston County. The charter school would link public education and workforce development efforts to maximize community economic success. Businesses are urged to complete an online survey about the workforce. If a grant is obtained and a career academy established, the survey data would drive decisions about curriculum and facilities.

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