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Camp Creek's Kelley York named Fulton's Teacher of the Year

Camp Creek Middle School's **Kelley York** is Fulton County Schools' 2005-06 Overall Teacher of the Year. First named the system's Middle School Teacher of the Year, she was then selected as the district winner from among two other Fulton County finalists: **Stacy Stephens** from River Eves Elementary School and **Rochelle Lofstrand** from North Springs High School.

The three teachers, along with each school's Teacher of the Year, will be honored next fall at a special recognition ceremony with each building's school/support professional of the year. The system's overall School and Support Professionals of the Year—**Edwena "Penny" Fields** from Liberty Point ES and **Mary Reed** from Jo Wells Center—will be featured in the next issue of *Rapport*.

Kelley York, Camp Creek Middle School— Overall & Middle School Teacher of the Year

Camp Creek Middle School reading teacher Kelley York knows how to get the most out of her students. For the seven years that Ms. York has taught "at promise reading"—a Fulton-designed reading acceleration program—nearly 100% of her students have shown one year or more gains in that area. This school year Camp Creek boasts the highest Middle Grades Writing Assessment scores in south Fulton—due in part to Ms. York's emphasis on reading, which goes hand-in-hand with good writing.

Ms. York's success lies in her belief of nurturing the "whole child" and encouraging students inside and outside of the classroom. A frequent guest at her students' extra-curricular activities, her support of students as both scholars and individuals inspires them to always do their best. She also supports her fellow teachers, serving as a teacher support specialist and an advisor to the school's peer diversity program for students.

In addition, Ms. York is set apart by her willingness to try new things while always following her heart. A product of a family of educators, she never intended to follow in their footsteps, but after graduating from Howard University (B.S., psychology) and a few years of unchallenging jobs, she realized the importance of having a career that impacted young people. She then decided to pursue a teaching certificate, and later, a master's degree in education from Mercer University. Ms. York has never regretted her choice to become an educator and considers every day with her students to be a gift.

As the district's overall 2005-06 Teacher of the Year, Ms. York now represents Fulton County in the Georgia Teacher of the Year program, which will announce a winner next spring.

Stacy Stephens, River Eves Elementary School— Elementary School Teacher of the Year

During a summer service project in West Virginia, Stacy Stephens discovered her desire to become a teacher. As a teenager on a mission trip to repair homes in a poor community, she was touched by the shyness of a child with a speech disorder ostracized by his peers. Writing in a journal, she vowed never to forget that child and his embarrassment. As a result, Ms. Stephens studied communication and speech/hearing sciences at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, graduating with both a bachelor's and master's degree. She still routinely consults that journal to remember her promise.

Now a special education teacher at River Eves Elementary School, Ms. Stephens also believes in teaching to the "whole child"—first assessing the child's interests, strengths, and skills, and then considering weaknesses and other impairments that could hinder the child from learning. She strives to make learning personal to each student so that each child will "own" the knowledge, not just memorize it. One of her greatest rewards in teaching is watching a student take what has been learned in one setting and apply it to another.

Rochelle Lofstrand, North Springs High School— High School Teacher of the Year

North Springs High School science teacher Rochelle Lofstrand credits "one man, one village, and two gerbils" as the reason she became an educator. It began with a college dean attending an undergraduate workshop led by Ms. Lofstrand. Impressed with her natural presence in the classroom, the dean urged her to reflect on her chosen path in the medical field and consider a career in education.

Then, after graduating from Emory University (B.S., chemistry), Ms. Lofstrand joined the Peace Corps and spent two years in Africa teaching science and appreciating the individuality of each student she met. Upon returning to the U.S., she returned to Georgia State University, ready to put her career aspirations in focus and earn a master's degree in science education.

But it is the two gerbils in her classroom and their effect on one special student that has taught Ms. Lofstrand the greatest lesson of teaching. Each day before class, an autistic student would visit the gerbils, priding himself in the way they recognized and responded to him. Ms. Lofstrand soon gave him responsibility for caring daily for the gerbils and she watched his confidence grow. She cares for her students, gives them the tools they need to be successful—in this case, confidence—and then stands back to watch the "magic happen."

We're proud of...

- **Jenny Spartz** from Alpharetta ES and **Alan Wind** from Chattahoochee HS—named Wal-Mart/SAM's Club 2005 Teachers of the Year. The awards entitle the teachers to receive a \$1,000 educational grant to benefit the schools, a \$50 shopping card for classroom supplies, and an honorary Wal-Mart greeter's vest. They are also eligible to apply for the State and National Teacher of the Year Awards, which are chosen by Phi Delta Kappa, International.
- **Dana Pearson**, Partners in Education Coordinator for Crabapple MS—received \$1,000 from the Super Wal-Mart in Alpharetta to help purchase a new informational sign for the school's front entrance.
- Bus drivers **Wade Smith** and **Mike Leski**—named first and second place winners, respectively, of the 21st annual Fulton County Schools Bus Road-e-o on April 23. The two now advance to compete at the regional competition May 14 in Henry County.
- **Keisha Nalty**, seventh grade social studies teacher at River Trail MS—selected as a Japan Fulbright Memorial Fund Scholar. Ms. Nalty is one of only two teachers in Georgia selected for a two-week educational experience in Japan.
- **Evoline C. West ES**—named Georgia "VIF School of the Year" by the Visiting International Faculty (VIF) program at its awards banquet April 22.
- VIF Teachers **Heidi Sullivan** from Mountain Park, **Tonya Horan** from Autrey Mill MS, and **Robyn Langford** from Mimosa ES—honored at the VIF awards program. Ms. Sullivan, who is from Australia, was named the 2004-05 Cultural Educator of the Year for Georgia, while Ms. Horan, a South Africa native, was named a finalist. Ms. Langford, from New Zealand, was a finalist for the Local Advisor of the Year award.
- Creek View ES Principal **Tracy Trussell**—honored by VIF for "Excellence in Cultural Education," an award that recognizes commitment to cultural understanding and support for international cultural exchange.
- Music Coordinator **John LaForge** and the **FCSS Music Program**—recognized for a sixth consecutive year in a nationwide survey of public and private school programs



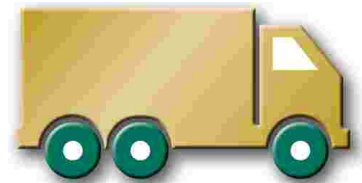
that identify the top 100 places to live in America for quality music education. Only three school systems in the nation have been recognized each of the six years the annual survey has been taken.

- The **Budget Services Department**—awarded the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association for a ninth consecutive year. Fulton is one of only three school systems in Georgia who have been recognized for so many years. Department staff members include **Jennifer Banks**, **Celia Cook**, **Venice Hall**, **Gayle Fitzgerald**, **Harriet Perry**, and Director **Jean Sina**.

On the move...

Welcome to...

- **Martha Barger**, from Electronic Media Coordinator at Harry Norman Realtors, to Communication Project Manager, Communications Department
- **Katrina Horvieth**, from Transportation Sector Manager at Gwinnett County Schools, to Transportation Services Supervisor



Congratulations to...

- **Celia Cook**, from Budget Development and Control Specialist I, to Technical Support Specialist III/Curriculum
- **Isoke Kamau**, from Banneker HS Teacher, to Palmetto ES Assistant Principal

Farewell to...

- **Perry Crawford**, Fleet Manager/Transportation Services (retirement eff. 6/30)
- **Carla Dean**, Curriculum Support Analyst (retirement eff. 6/30)
- **John Fleming**, School Nutrition Supervisor (resignation eff. 6/30)
- **Jane Wyban**, Transportation Services Supervisor (retirement eff. 5/31)
- **Linda Swain**, Oak Knoll ES Assistant Principal (resignation eff. 6/30)
- **Judy Webb**, Alpharetta ES Assistant Principal (retirement eff. 8/31)
- **Willie Vincent**, North Springs HS Assistant Principal (resignation eff. 6/30)

In the news...



Middle Schools have the

“write stuff” – Fulton County eighth graders have proven once again they have the “write” stuff when it comes to the state Middle Grades Writing Assessment (MGWA). Results from the 2005 test administration show 92% of Fulton test-takers met or exceeded targets set by the state.

This is the sixth consecutive year Fulton has scored above the state and metro average. Fulton increased its mean scaled score two points over 2004, up to 361. But more significantly, four schools registered a 10% increase – Bear Creek Middle, Camp Creek Middle, McNair Middle, and the Fulton Science Academy – of students scoring in the “On and Exceeding Target” range.

Scaled scores on the assessment range from 300 to 400, with scores classified within three categories set by the state – “Not on Target,” “On Target,” and “Exceeds Target.” Scores between 349 and 367 are identified as “On Target,” which means that student papers are focused, have a clear beginning, middle and end, and that the writer’s intent can be determined. Scores show that 71% of Fulton County’s students scored within this area. A score of 368 or higher is identified as “Exceeds Target.” These student papers are focused and effectively organized with relevant supporting ideas that demonstrate logical connections. Almost a quarter, or 21%, of Fulton students scored in this high range, much higher than the statewide percentile of 12%, and 16% for the metro area.

Scores ranging from 300 to 348 are identified as “Not on Target,” which means that the student’s work lacks focus and organization. Fulton County decreased the number of students scoring in this range by 4%—from 12% in 2004 to 8% this year.

F.I.Y. (Fulton Information for You)

First Annual Staff Satisfaction Survey – All staff members are invited to participate in the system’s first annual Staff Satisfaction Survey, located online at <http://www.surveymsoftware.net/host/staff05.htm>. Individual survey responses will be kept anonymous and the survey should take no longer than a few minutes to

complete online. To ease network traffic, staff members are encouraged to take the survey according to the schedule below:

Group	Survey Dates
North Fulton & Sandy Springs ES	Ongoing until May 11
South Fulton ES	Ongoing until May 16
All High Schools	Ongoing until May 18
All Middle Schools	Ongoing until May 20
All Admin. Offices	Ongoing until May 20

2005-06 Board Calendar—The 2005-06 Pre-Board and Board meetings calendar was approved at the April 14 Board meeting. Unless otherwise scheduled, the Board holds its monthly Board meeting on the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m., and a Pre-Board work session at 4:30 p.m. on the preceding Tuesday. There is no scheduled Board meeting during the month of July.

August 9, 2005 Dunwoody Springs Charter ES 4:30 p.m.	August 11, 2005 Hamilton E. Holmes ES 6:30 p.m.
September 6, 2005 Hamilton E. Holmes ES 4:30 p.m.	September 8, 2005 Dunwoody Springs Charter ES 6:30 p.m.
October 11, 2005 Dunwoody Springs Charter ES 4:30 p.m.	October 13, 2005 Hamilton E. Holmes ES 6:30 p.m.
November 8, 2005 Hamilton E. Holmes ES 4:30 p.m.	November 10, 2005 Dunwoody Springs Charter ES 6:30 p.m.
December 6, 2005 Dunwoody Springs Charter ES 4:30 p.m.	December 8, 2005 Hamilton E. Holmes ES 6:30 p.m.
January 10, 2006 Hamilton E. Holmes ES 4:30 p.m.	January 12, 2006 Dunwoody Springs Charter ES 6:30 p.m.
February 7, 2006 Dunwoody Springs Charter ES 4:30 p.m.	February 9, 2006 Hamilton E. Holmes ES 6:30 p.m.
March 7, 2006 Hamilton E. Holmes ES 4:30 p.m.	March 9, 2006 Dunwoody Springs Charter ES 6:30 p.m.
April 18, 2006 Dunwoody Springs Charter ES 4:30 p.m.	April 20, 2006 Hamilton E. Holmes ES 6:30 p.m.
May 9, 2006 Hamilton E. Holmes ES 4:30 p.m.	May 11, 2006 Dunwoody Springs Charter ES 6:30 p.m.
June 6, 2006 Dunwoody Springs Charter ES 4:30 p.m.	June 8, 2006 Hamilton E. Holmes ES 6:30 p.m.

Growing from good to great in Fulton County

Editor's note: All of us in Fulton County try to do our best, and we encourage students to also do their best. That is what makes this such a special place to work and to be educated. But sometimes we fall into the trap of thinking that our best is not enough – that we must reach perfection. As an organization and as individual employees, this can result in frustration and dissatisfaction. The following information, excerpted from a pamphlet from Massey University in New Zealand, provides advice on what we can do to avoid this pitfall in our work and in our personal life.

Perfectionism is Not Excellence

Perfectionism is not the search for excellence; it is the search for the unobtainable. It goes beyond doing your very best. Perfectionism is not a healthy pursuit of excellence. The healthy striver has drive, while the perfectionist is driven. One definition states a perfectionist as "a person having a disposition which regards anything short of perfect as being unacceptable."

For example:

- A perfectionist student may hand in a paper a week late or not at all rather than hand it in on time with imperfect structure.
- A perfectionist worker may spend so much time agonizing over some insignificant detail that a critical project misses its deadline.
- A perfectionist may find it very hard to begin a task because all aspects of the task should and must be done very well.

How perfectionists think

Perfectionism is based on the belief that unless I am perfect I am not good enough...I am not OK. Perfectionists use other peoples' apparent shortcomings to enhance their own feelings of self-worth when they compare themselves with "flawed" or "lesser" or "imperfect" others.

By needing to be seen as perfect, perfectionists may set themselves up for continuous rejection and self-put downs, and deny themselves peace of mind. Even when perfectionists do achieve, their methods often deprive them of the very love and acceptance they want so badly. A number of negative thoughts, feelings and beliefs may be associated with perfectionism.

What to do about perfectionism

- Set realistic and reachable goals based on your own wants and needs, and what you have accomplished in the past.
- Set subsequent goals in a sequential manner so that as you reach one goal, you set your next achievable goal.
- Focus on the activity of "doing", not just the end result or achievement. Aim for 90% or 80% or even less. Your world will not end when you are not perfect!

- Use feelings of anxiety and depression as opportunities to ask yourself "What am I afraid of?" and "What is the worst thing that can happen if I don't do this task perfectly?" Almost always the answer will make you smile at your perfectionism.
- Recognize that many positive things can only be learned by making mistakes. When you make a mistake, ask yourself "What can I learn from this experience?"
- Avoid all-or-nothing thinking in relation to your goals. Prioritize your tasks and give less effort to those tasks having less importance.

Perceptual Differences Between Perfectionists and Realists

PERFECTIONISTS	REALISTS
Unreasonable goals	Realistic goals
Can't feel satisfied.....	Can reward self
Compares self negatively	Recognizes own positive uniqueness
Cannot discuss own.....	Accepts errors as a part of life's lessons
Excessive, often chronic.....	Accepts failure as a part of learning
Uses others' standards	Goals derived from self awareness
Focuses only on the outcome ...	Enjoys the "journey"
Emphasizes keeping life.....	Emphasizes keeping life in balance
Feels devalued unless.....	Accepts self as valuable, not perfect

Once you have tried these suggestions, you are likely to realize that perfectionism is neither a helpful or necessary influence in your life. There are alternative ways to think that are more beneficial. Not only are you likely to achieve more without your perfectionism, but you will feel better in the process.

Thanks and Best Wishes to Our Retirees

Congratulations to the 236 Fulton County employees retiring this year who were recognized on April 21 at the Atlanta History Center!

Catherine Chastain, Abbotts Hill ES
 Norman Barchi, Admin. Building
 Louise Brock, Admin. Building
 Donnella B. Cranford, Admin. Building
 Carla Dean, Admin. Building
 Vivian Gaines, Admin. Building
 Judy Lipscomb, Admin. Building
 Glenda Rawls, Admin. Building
 Patricia Roberson, Admin. Building
 Marcia Spielberger, Admin. Building
 Karen Wolbrink, Admin. Building
 Gertrude Coker, Alpharetta ES
 Dorothy Gianelloni, Alpharetta ES
 Dawn Pindat, Alpharetta ES
 Sally Robbe, Alpharetta ES
 Kathleen Sullivan, Alpharetta ES
 Judy Webb, Alpharetta ES
 Shirley Bell, Banneker HS
 Samuel Brown, Banneker HS
 Juanita Dehay, Banneker HS
 Anne Eidson, Banneker HS
 Gloria Phillips, Banneker HS
 Sabra Hanson-Holladay, Barnwell ES
 Carol Kelley, Barnwell ES
 Brenda Short, Bear Creek MS
 Geraldine Tessner, Bear Creek MS
 Mamie Anderson, Bethune ES
 Willie Ponder, Bethune ES
 Donald Dorsey, Brookview ES
 Barbara Love, Brookview ES
 Nancy Ball, Camp Creek MS
 Charles Crouthamel, Camp Creek MS
 Genetta McKee, Camp Creek MS
 Ruth Lee, Campbell ES
 Diane Williamson, Campbell ES
 Patricia Engstrom, Centennial HS
 Karen Wilson, Centennial HS
 Sandra Blake, Chattahoochee HS
 Rebecca Peace, Chattahoochee HS
 Mary Reeves, Chattahoochee HS
 Cynthia Ashurst-First, College Park ES
 Marjory Conners, College Park ES
 George Cannon, Crabapple Crossing ES
 Jennifer Harvey, Crabapple MS
 Judith Parkinson, Crabapple MS
 Brenda Siefferman, Crabapple MS
 Ellen Crate, Creek View ES
 Jane Walker, Creek View ES
 Jacquelyn Dodson, Creekside HS
 Susan Spencer, Dunwoody Springs ES
 Karen Christian, Elkins Pointe MS
 Ellen Whitten, Elkins Pointe MS

Eileen Albinger, Esther Jackson ES
 Charlotte Connah, Esther Jackson ES
 Elizabeth Longshore, Esther Jackson ES
 Betty Obregon, Esther Jackson ES
 Pamela Roebuck, Esther Jackson ES
 Gladys Cochran, Evoline C. West ES
 Cheryl Bedwell, Evoline C. West ES
 Phyllis Bentley, Evoline C. West ES
 Jerry Davenport, Evoline C. West ES
 Meridith Franklin, Evoline C. West ES
 Myrna Lehman, Evoline C. West ES
 Mary Wolff, Evoline C. West ES
 Grace Cirigliano, Findley Oaks ES
 Lynn Martin, Gullatt ES
 George Henderson, Hapeville ES
 Lorene Trammell, Hapeville ES
 Emma Jean Crowder, Harriet Tubman ES
 Pauline Dennis, Harriet Tubman ES
 Susan Meissel, Harriet Tubman ES
 Mary Ellen Baum, Haynes Bridge MS
 Bonnie Greeson, Haynes Bridge MS
 Christie Pratt, Haynes Bridge MS
 Victoria Zimmaro, Hears Ferry ES
 Marcia Brown, Hembree Springs ES
 Janice Jacquin, Hembree Springs ES
 Kay Beebe, High Point ES
 Sharon Bennett, Hillside ES
 Alberta McNeil, Hillside ES
 Darryl Coleman, Holcomb Bridge MS
 Leslie Hall, Holcomb Bridge MS
 Karen White, Hopewell MS
 Patricia Groover, Independence HS
 Elizabeth Williams, Independence HS
 Virginia Word, Independence HS
 May Ferguson, Jo Wells Center
 Carole Guerin, Jo Wells Center
 Vivienne Howze, Jo Wells Center
 Lani Ray, Jo Wells Center
 Paul Williams, Jo Wells Center
 Susan Cook, Lake Windward ES
 Gail Vokes, Lake Windward ES
 Helen Darby, Liberty Point ES
 Alice Griffith, Liberty Point ES
 Peter Sassic, Liberty Point ES
 Paula Webb, Manning Oaks ES
 Carolyn Evans, McClarin HS
 Wilma Johnson, McClarin HS
 Delores Jordon, McClarin HS
 Janice Newton, McClarin HS
 Mary Koté, McNair MS
 Alvin Watkins, McNair MS
 Luther Burton, Meadows Center
 Robert Henry, Meadows Center
 Edward Herber, Meadows Center
 Marcus Ray, Meadows Center
 Tina Wellborn, Meadows Center
 Richard Dennard Sr., Medlock Bridge ES
 Barbara Billings, Milton HS
 Theo Caldwell, Milton HS
 Theodore Caswell, Milton HS
 F. Manning Harris, Milton HS
 George Hollinger, Milton HS

Constantinos Pantazopoulos, Milton HS
 Lorene Stewart, Milton HS
 Marion Sutton, Milton HS
 Theodore Wolf, Milton HS
 Kathryn Craig, Mimosa ES
 Deborah Erdmanczyk, Mimosa ES
 R. Sharon Thompson, Mimosa ES
 Jeanne Wood, Mimosa ES
 Janice Brown, Mountain Park ES
 Barbara Dekonty, Mountain Park ES
 Marcia Hottinger, Mountain Park ES
 Jean Nicholson, Mountain Park ES
 Hannah Reeves, Mountain Park ES
 Genevieve Rowsey, Mountain Park ES
 Lisa Skelley-Altman, Mountain Park ES
 Carol Dewitt, New Prospect ES
 Rita Lukehart, New Prospect ES
 Michael Covington, North Maintenance
 James Lamar Howard, North Maintenance
 Rebecca Casey, North Springs HS
 Susan Fields, North Springs HS
 Frances Galishoff, North Springs HS
 Janice Gaylord, North Springs HS
 Cynthia Williams, North Springs HS
 Carolyn Black, North Transportation
 Robert Dunagan, North Transportation
 Walter Ferguson, North Transportation
 Elaine Gravley, North Transportation
 Anne Medley, North Transportation
 Herbert Nichols, North Transportation
 William Owens, North Transportation
 Evelyn Pierce, North Transportation
 Donald Rogers, North Transportation
 Jesse Sewell, North Transportation
 Robert Peterson, Northview HS
 Joann Hartin, Northwestern MS
 Julia Johnson, Northwestern MS
 Clara Hammons, Northwood ES
 Susan Snee, Northwood ES
 Nancy Ferenczy, Ocee ES
 Ellen Crawford, Palmetto ES
 Barbara Fair, Palmetto ES
 Earline Harbin, Palmetto ES
 Jean Hickman, Palmetto ES
 Sandra Stanger, Palmetto ES
 Virginia Turner, Palmetto ES
 Steve Coffey, Parklane ES
 Winifred Davis, Parklane ES
 C. Wayne Libby, Parklane ES
 Kay Wade, Parklane ES
 Joan Campbell, Paul D. West MS
 Ida Clemons, Paul D. West MS
 Demetria Taylor, Professional Learning Ctr.
 Marian Wiles, A. Philip Randolph ES
 Cheryl Robinson, Ridgeview MS
 Linda Campbell, River Eves ES
 Susan Letts, River Eves ES
 Barbara Riccardi, River Eves ES
 Judith Ross, River Eves ES
 Elizabeth Blake, Riverwood HS
 Freda Goodman, Riverwood HS
 Phillip Alexander, Roswell HS

Roney Folds, Roswell HS
 Betty Rymer, Roswell HS
 Marilyn Swinehart, Roswell HS
 Laurie Williams, Roswell HS
 Barbara Wolf, Roswell HS
 Lynn Alger, Roswell North ES
 Joy Bolick, Roswell North ES
 Joel Cook Jr., Roswell North ES
 Alice Grant, Roswell North ES
 Wanda Land, Roswell North ES
 Bonnie Maveragames, Seaborn Lee ES
 Claire Broadwater, Shakerag ES
 Sara Pamplin, Shakerag ES
 Willie Cosby Jr., South Maintenance
 Ronald Herrick, South Maintenance
 Willard Holland, South Maintenance
 Lenora Cargile, South Transportation
 Perry Crawford, South Transportation
 Sarah Hardin, South Transportation
 Andrew Hymon, South Transportation
 Samuel Johnson, South Transportation
 Roger Mohlenhoff, South Transportation
 Stephen Monroe, South Transportation
 William Reese, South Transportation
 Carlos Richards, South Transportation
 Virginia Whited, South Transportation
 Jane Wyban, South Transportation
 Jessie Lawson, Sandy Springs MS
 Laura Bennett, Spalding Drive ES
 Michael Fox, Spalding Drive ES
 Teresa Hanson, Stonewall Tell ES
 Nancy Torrealba, Stonewall Tell ES
 Elaine Lapp Judge, Summit Hill ES
 Paula Kimick, Summit Hill ES
 Linda Mann, Sweet Apple ES
 Lenore Berman, Taylor Road MS
 Nancy Boyles, Taylor Road MS
 Yvonne Key, Taylor Road MS
 Shelly Weininger, Taylor Road MS
 Shirley Crothers, Tri-Cities HS
 Sarah Keyton, Tri-Cities HS
 Georgia McSwain, Tri-Cities HS
 Susan Rawlston, Tri-Cities HS
 Sarah Thompson, Tri-Cities HS
 Gloria Watley, Tri-Cities HS
 Claudia Wells, Tri-Cities HS
 Margaret Brady, Warehouse
 Marie Ross, Warehouse
 Lynn Turley, Webb Bridge MS
 Annette Dotson, Westlake HS
 Roy Fisher, Westlake HS
 Earnest Killum, Westlake HS
 Edna Lisbon, Westlake HS
 Lynette Mitchell, Westlake HS
 Margaret Mullen, Westlake HS
 Christine Blackmon, Woodland Charter ES
 Margaret Breiner, Woodland Charter ES
 Mary Cahill, Woodland Charter ES
 Katherine Jackson, Woodland Charter ES
 Frank Jones, Woodland MS

Coming up...

May 22: Milton High Moving Day – Moving day is coming soon for Milton High School. But before the move, an Open House and Celebration are planned for Sunday, May 22, at the “old school” located at 86 School Drive. Present and former staff and students, their families, and community members are invited to attend. Between 2-3:30 p.m., the school and log cabin will be open for tours and Milton artifacts will be on display. A closing/opening ceremony will be held in the stadium from 3:30-4 p.m., followed by alumni gatherings until 5 p.m. If you have Milton artifacts to lend or donate, please contact Donna Robinson at 770-663-4576 or MHS.History@gmail.com. Those interested in gathering a former class together can contact Travis Allen at 770-442-1925 or Travis@milton95.com. General questions about the event can be directed to Carroll Keen at 770-740-7000, ext. 135, or keen@fultonschools.org.

School Board in action

At its April meetings, the Board of Education approved . . .

- Personnel items (see On the move, page 2)
- Revisions to Procedure IHA – Grading and Reporting System
- Revisions to Procedure JBC – School Admissions (first reading)



- A request to make safety improvements at Northview HS (sidewalk addition) and Love T. Nolan ES (driveway/parking lot repair)
- A written protocol that outlines attendance requirements in accordance with state school board rules (first reading)
- An amendment to the budget to purchase 21 replacement school buses for the 2005-06 school year
- Career tech options and psychoeducational/special education programs for the new south county high school

Upcoming Board meetings

- ...May 12, 4:30 p.m. – Budget Work Session #3, Hamilton E. Holmes ES
- ...May 12, 6:30 p.m. – Board Meeting, Hamilton E. Holmes ES
- ...May 23, 7 p.m. – Budget Work Session #4, Administrative Center
- ...May 24, 7 p.m. – Budget Workshop (if needed), Administrative Center
- ...May 26, 7 p.m. – Budget Workshop (if needed), Dunwoody Springs ES
- ...June 7, 4:30 p.m. – Pre-Board Meeting, Hamilton E. Holmes ES
- ...June 9, 6:30 p.m. – Board Meeting, Dunwoody Springs ES

The 2004-05 calendar of Board meetings, workshops and roundtables can be found on the county web site under the Board button at the top of the front page. Please check the web site frequently for updates.

Our Mission

is to educate students to be responsible, productive citizens.

Our Vision

The Fulton County School System is a place where all children learn to their full potential in a safe, nurturing environment supported by involved and committed staff, family, and community in helping to prepare them for a successful future.

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