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## Bonaire Primary School Opens August ~ Seeking Input on Elementary School Zoning Proposal



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – A new elementary school will open in Bonaire for the 2020-2021 school year. Bonaire Primary School will serve students in grades Pre-K through 2. The Board of Education has drafted a zoning proposal for the new school and three elementary schools: Bonaire Elementary, Hilltop Elementary and Matt Arthur Elementary. A parent meeting will be held on Jan. 30, at 6:00 p.m. at Veterans High School in the auditorium to provide information and invite parent input.

The proposed zoning map is posted at the three schools and to the Houston County Board of Education website,

<u>www.hcbe.net</u>, on the <u>home</u> and <u>zoning</u> pages. The proposed zone changes are marked with stripes. Parents of currently enrolled students who would be affected have been mailed a letter to inform them that the proposal could impact their child and to invite them to the meeting.

Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Mark Scott, commented, "Many factors are considered when planning school zones, to include population growth, projected new construction, natural land boundaries, major roads and parental input. Our parents who are interested in this proposal are encouraged to attend the meeting on January 30th. Public input is an important part of this decision."

With the opening of Bonaire Primary in August 2020, Bonaire Elementary will serve students in grades 3 – 5. No high school or middle school will be affected by this zoning.

The Board plans to vote on the final school zones during the Feb. 11, 2020, Board meeting. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. in Perry at the district's central office.

Veterans High School is located at 340 Piney Grove Road in Kathleen. The Board of Education central office is located at 1100 Main Street in Perry. The address for Bonaire Primary School is 533 Thompson Mill Road, Bonaire, GA 31005.