

The Houston County Board of Education Social Services Department facilitated a memorable Christmas for 115 students across our school district. Support from our community sponsors made this possible. Members of the Optimist Club, along with their families, delivered gifts to the homes of our students. The Social Services Department greatly appreciates the partnership with these individuals and organizations that have helped to provide such a joyous holiday for our students and their families.







School Nutrition always loves the month of December! It provides an opportunity for our staff to be creative, have fun, and make special memories with our students!

COLIDAY

TREATS

On Friday, December 10, schools transformed the serving lines into Winter Wonderlands and made holiday treats!





Student Services Report - January 2021

## Westside Elementary Behavior Store



Department at Westside Elementary School implemented additional support to the school-wide PBIS program for the students they serve. The students are awarded bucks by teachers and staff when caught doing amazing things. The students deposit their money in the Bank of Room 611. They use their math skills to purchase items from the behavior store. They have learned to manage their money by determining what they are able to purchase with the funds they have and how much they need to earn and save for desired items.

As the holidays approached, the students continued to earn bucks. They drew names with other students on their grade level. The students bought gifts from the store for the name they drew. This was an amazing opportunity to teach and foster the spirit of giving to others through working and earning.

Dr. Regina Littlejohn, Ms. Yvette Brown, and Ms. Talisa Gray, special education teachers at Westside Elementary School, have created a positive behavior tool to help students learn to manage not only their "money" but also their behavior.

## TEACHER Spotlight



his month we spotlight, Mrs. Stephanie Sanders, a teacher whose energy and enthusiasm for learning is contagious! Mrs. Sanders is a graduate of Warner Robins High School. She has been married to her husband, Greg, for 26 years. She has four children; Brianna is attending Valdosta State University, Ainsley at Perry High, Zachary at Mossy Creek Middle, and Keenan at Feagin Mill.

Mrs. Sanders has been with Houston County Schools for 21 years. She began her career as a paraprofessional in the Autism program at Russell Elementary. It was in this position she discovered her calling as Special Education teacher.

When asked why she teaches, Mrs. Sanders stated, "One of my passions is building a foundation for my students to become productive and independent adults. My other passion is the Partners Club. I love sharing how loving, smart, and amazing my students are with the faculty and students. I want everyone to be changed because they saw the beauty and hearts of my students. Our partner's club mantra is 'acceptance is powerful'."



## AAASP SPORTS PROGRAM 2020-21 WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL MASTER SCHEDULE



Times subject to change, for information call Robyn Hootselle at (678) 283-4424

DATE	DIVISION	VISITING TEAM		HOME TEAM	TIME
Sat., 1-9	JV	Houston Jr. Sharks	(a)	West GA Wolverines (Troup)	1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-9	JV	Houston Jr. Sharks	(a)	West GA Wolverines (Troup)	
Sat., 1-9	V	DeKalb Silver Streaks	ă	Houston Sharks	11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-9	V	DeKalb Silver Streaks	ă	Houston Sharks	1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-9	V	Henry Hurricanes	(a)	Gwinnett Heat	2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-9	V	Henry Hurricanes	Ŏ	Gwinnett Heat	4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-16		BYE WEEKEND		(Henry available to play)	
Sat., 1-23	JV	Muscogee Lions	(a)	West GA Wolverines (Troup)	1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-23	JV	Muscogee Lions	(a)	West GA Wolverines (Troup)	3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-23	V	DeKalb Silver Streaks	ă	Gwinnett Heat	2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-23	V	DeKalb Silver Streaks	<i>a</i>	Gwinnett Heat (Houston available to play)	4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-30	JV	Muscogee Lions	(a)	Houston Jr. Sharks	11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-30	JV	Muscogee Lions	ă	Houston Jr. Sharks	1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-30	V	Gwinnett Heat	ā	Houston Sharks	3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-30	V	DeKalb Silver Streaks	a	Henry Hurricanes	11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Sat., 1-30	V	DeKalb Silver Streaks	a	Henry Hurricanes	1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Sat., 2-6	JV	West GA Wolverines (Troup)	a	Houston Jr. Sharks	11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Sat., 2-6	V	Gwinnett Heat	a	Houston Sharks	1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Sat., 2-6	V	MAKEUP WEEKEND	-		
Sat., 2-13		BYE WEEKEND			
Sat., 2-20	JV	Houston Jr. Sharks	a	Muscogee Lions	11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Sat., 2-20	JV	West GA Wolverines (Troup)	ā	Muscogee Lions	1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Sat., 2-20	V	Houston Sharks	ā	Henry Hurricanes	11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Sat., 2-20	V	Houston Sharks	ĕ	Henry Hurricanes	1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

AAASP/GHSA WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2021 ONE JUNIOR VARSITY SEMI-FINAL GAME ONE JUNIOR VARSITY CHAMPIONSHIP GAME TO BE HOSTED LOCALLY BY 1<sup>st</sup> PLACE IN STANDINGS TWO VARSITY SEMI-FINAL GAMES TO BE PLAYED LOCALLY AND HOSTED BY 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> PLACE IN STANDINGS VARSITY CHAMPIONSHIP: FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 2021 @ 2:00 PM AT THE MACON COLISEUM, MACON, GA