

# Get to Know Our Faculty/Staff

September 2020 Newsletter



**C** Locate the Falcon in the Newsletter

Crystal Tucker was named Northside
Elementary's 2020–2021 Teacher of the
Year on April 17, 2020. Our very own Mrs.
Tucker was surprised very early in the
morning from our Administration and her
4th grade co-workers with the exciting
news. NES is honored to have amazing
teachers that care so much for our students.

## **Our Mission**

To create respectful, high-achieving students.

## **Our Vision**

To provide a safe learning community where students are successful.

Mrs. Tucker is an example of what it means to work hard and see the fruits of your labor. Her hard work being recognized did not stop with Teacher of Year at our school. Mrs. Tucker was honored by Houston County Board of Education on July 28, 2020 at the annual opening session as the 2020-2021 Teacher of the Year for Houston county. Mrs. Tucker expressed, 'I am still in shock."

Mrs. Tucker states, "that her goal as a teacher is to show her students that anything is possible and there is life outside of their hometowns."

Northside Elementary is so proud to have a teachers like



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#### RIDDLE TIME

What starts with E, ends with E and only has one letter?

An Envelope

Hello Northside Elementary Families,

My name is Stacey Green and I am your Parent and Family Engagement Coordinator.

Northside is an amazing school! We want you to know that even in these unpredictable times we are here for you. Even though visitors are not allowed in the school at this time you are still a vital part to your students learning career. Take time to read with your student, play games that are focused on Math or maybe explore outside to find things of nature that interest your student. If you need any suggestions please do not hesitate to contact the teacher or me with any ideas or assistance. Stacey Green

Parent and Family Engagement Coordinator

# **Celebration of Grandparents Day!**

Northside Elementary is so excited this year to introduce to our families *Story Corps* for our celebration of Grandparents Day. I have included the links below for you and the family to look at. I am so excited to hear the stories that will be shared. Sometimes when we go through times that are difficult and we look for different ways to grow we find that some changes are fun and exciting, I believe this will be one. As these stories are told think about all the changes that our families have lived through to get where we are now. Think and discuss of how this has effected your family and the community. Please remember to share your stories with us. Either on our Facebook or through the school. I look forward to this event and if you need any assistance please contact the school. Now get started sharing those stories!!!



StoryCorps – Stories from people of all backgrounds and beliefs Stories from people of all backgrounds and beliefs storycorps.org

https://storycorps.org/

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CW8UDYCV5Oo#action=share



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"Excellence is not being the best;

it is doing your best."



Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year Falcon Family. We are off to a great start here at Northside Elementary and already it is becoming a fast and busy school vear. Although our school procedures look a little different than usual because of the pandemic, there is still a lot of excitement for learning. In the middle of these challenging times I want to assure you that your child's teachers are working extremely hard to ensure your child has a great school year. Safety is our number one priority and I appreciate everyone's efforts to keep our students and staff safe. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me or anyone of our faculty or staff members.

- When picking up students in the office please bring your ID. We ID at dismissal for the safety of the children.
- Anyone picking a student up MUST be on the Gold card in the office.
- Transportation changes CANNOT be made over the phone.
- No dismissals from the office between 3:15-3:45
- The office staff cannot call your student to the office until you arrive at the school.

October 9, 2020
Student Holiday
Parent Conferences



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reminder...

October 12–16

Fall Break



## What is PBIS? - Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) is an evidence-based, data-driven framework proven to reduce disciplinary incidents, increase a school's sense of safety and support improved academic outcomes. More than 1,200 Georgia schools and 27,000 nationwide have been trained in PBIS. Implementation of PBIS is saving countless instructional hours otherwise lost to discipline. The premise of PBIS is that continual teaching, combined with acknowledgement or feedback of positive student behavior will reduce unnecessary discipline and promote a climate of greater productivity, safety and learning. PBIS schools apply a multi-tiered approach to prevention, using disciplinary data and principles of behavior analysis to develop school-wide, targeted and individualized interventions and supports to improve school climate for all students. (OSEP Technical Assistance Center on Positive Behavior Interventions & Supports).

Northside Elementary School School-Wide Expectations:

Respect Yourself Respect Others Respect Learning Respect Environment

## **August Behavior Data:**

August Bus Referrals - <u>0</u>
First PBIS celebration was held on Thursday, August 27-and Friday, August 28.
Students watched a movie during specials.

Each month will have a behavior celebration for all students who have not received an office/bus referral.

# **Northside Elementary School Behavior Expectations Matrix**

NORTHSIDE Elementary School Behavior Expectations matrix					
Expectations	Restroom	Hallway	Cafeteria	Playground	Bus
Respect Yourself	Walk carefully in and out of the restroom	1. Walk with a purpose	Use good manners with your food	1. Participate	1. Use your inside voice
NORTHSIDE	2. Be considerate of privacy	2. Be observant	2. Make healthy food choices	2. Be courteous and friendly	2. Use appropriate language
Respect Others	1. Follow adult directions	1. Follow adult directions	1. Follow adult directions	1. Follow adult directions	1. Follow adult directions
ELEMENTARY	2. Keep hands, feet, objects to yourself	Use appropriate body spacing between other students	2. Use appropriate language	2. Play fair and include others	2. Keep hands, feet, objects to yourself
Respect Learning	Only one student may go when needed and stay only as long as needed	Move quietly and efficiently	Make sure open food stays in the cafeteria	Have a positive and enthusiastic attitude	Sit correctly in your assigned seat and co- operate with others
NORTHSIDE	Wait for your teacher's lesson and/or instructions to end before asking	2. Value displays, posters, and student work	2. Know your lunch number	2. Keep hands and feet to self	2. Be on time
Respect Environment	Dispose of items in the correct place	1. Walk on the right side of the hallway	1.Clean up your table area	Use equipment appropriately and for its intended use	Enter/Exit the bus appropriately     Reep your feet
NORTHSIDE	2. Use it, flush it, wash/dry hands, and out the door	2. Keep safety in mind	2. Get what you need when you go through the line	Make sure playground area is clean and free of trash before leaving	on/towards the floor, back against the seat, book bag on your lap, and face forward

# September: Fun Facts, Holidays, Historical Events and More

Read over this page with your children. Share with each other what new information you learned from the facts. Express any details on the information that you have on the

As the ninth month of the year, September marks the beginning of autumn in the northern hemisphere (and the start of the spring in the southern). Traditionally considered the month that marks transitions between seasons, it is one of the most temperate weather –wise..

Here are some interesting facts about the month of September.

The name September comes from the Latin *septum*, meaning seven, since it was the seventh month of the <u>Roman Calendar</u>, which began with March.

There are 30 days in the month of September ,which starts on the same day of the week as December each year but does not end on the same day of the week as any other month in the year.

September has three birth flowers: the forget -me-not, the morning glory, and the aster. Forget-me-nots represent love and memories, asters represent love as well, and the morning glory represents unrequited love. The <u>birthstone</u> for the month is the sapphire.

# Holidays celebrated in the United States and international.

\*Labor Day is the most well known holiday in September. It is observed every year on the first Monday in September.

\*Native American Day is always celebrated on the 4th Friday of September.

\*Grandparent's Day is observed in the United States on the first Sunday after Labor Day.

\*Constitution Day, celebrating the ratification of the governing document of the United States., is observed on the 17th.

\*The autumn equinox, which is traditional transition from summer into fall, takes place on around September 22, depending on the year.

There are lots of days dedicated to fun activities in September. Look out for these days.

September 5th: National Cheese Pizza Day

September 16th: National Play –Doh Day

September 9th: National Teddy Bear Day September 19th: International "Talk Like A Pirate Day"

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## **Historical Events**

September 2, 1666: The Great Fire of London was started, completely destroying the old city located within the ancient Roman Walls. It was believed to have started in a bakery and took three days to put out.

**September 1, 1715**: Louis XIV, known as the Sun King, died at the age of 76, after ruling France since the age of five. He was succeeded by Louis XV and Louis XVI, who was executed during the <u>French Revolution</u> in 1789, thus ending the reign of monarchical rule in France.

**September 5, 1774**: The 1st <u>Continental Congress</u> was called to order. Comprised of delegates from all 13 American colonies, it served as the governing body during the American Revolution, from 1774 to 1789. Two years later, on September 9, it changed the name of the United Colonies to the United States.

**September 22,1862**: President Abraham Lincoln issued the <u>Emancipation Proclamation</u>, which ended slavery in the territories held by the Confederacy, effective January 1, 1863. In spite of the ruling, the Civil War would not end for another year and half after that.

September 14, 1901: <u>President William McKinley</u> was shot on September 6, 1901 while attending the Buffalo Pan-American Exposition in New York. He passed away eight days later.

September 1, 1939: In the early morning hours of this day, Hitler invaded Poland, starting World War II in Europe. Der Führer called the move a "defensive" retaliation against the persecution of Germans in Poland.

**September 5th,1961**: <u>President John F. Kennedy</u> signed a hijacking bill, making air piracy a federal crime. Punishment ranged from a \$10,000 fine to 20 years in prison; if a deadly weapon was used, the perpetrator(s) could receive life in prison or even death.

**September 8, 1974:** <u>President Gerald Ford gave an unconditional pardon to former president Richard M. Nixon, for his role in the infamous "Watergate" fiasco.</u>

**September 9, 2006:** <u>Typhoon</u> Ketsana hit the Philippines, China, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, and Thailand, resulting in 750 fatalities and over \$1.09 billion in damages.

September 11, 2001: Members of the Islamic terrorist group al-Qaeda hijacked four airliners as part of a series of coordinated attacks against targets in the United States. The Twin Towers in New York City were hit by one plane each, American Airlines Flight 11 and Flight 175, while American Airlines Flight 77 was crashed into the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. The fourth plane, United Airlines Flight 93, is thought to have been headed for the White House, but the passengers overtook the hijackers and the plane crashed into a field in rural Pennsylvania. More than 3,000 people lost their lives during what the deadliest terror attack on U.S. soil to date. Property and infrastructure damage amounted to over \$10 billion. The attack is thought to have been ordered by Osama bin Laden, who was finally located and killed in Pakistan by U.S. Navy SEAL team Six in May 2011. The 9/11 Memorial Museum occupies the sites where

# Student of Month August 2020

## Pre-K

Cali Hudlin Micayla Braddy Jalexia Douse

#### Kindergarten

Brylee Elks Skylor Brown Emily Crutchfield Trinity Pacheco Zion Hillman Ra'mahsun Byers

## 1st Grade

Ja'Laven Brwon
Chelsea Cruz
Vala Jones
Ze'Leciah Rutledge

## 2nd Grade

Ken'zoria Alford Harmonie Arline Dominique Colson Omotayo Shomotun Crishaud Jackson

## **3rd Grade**

Key'Mya Mathis Neveah McElroy Jah'laiyah Card

#### 4th Grade

Jacob Canceran Jaydon Griggs Isabella Cruz De'Licia James

#### 5th Grade

Ava Bray Georgia Simpson



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# ELEMENTARY LEARNING OPTIONS OPEN ENROLLMENT September 22 - 29

Parents of elementary students can change their child's learning option either to or from distance learning for the 2nd nine weeks. Open enrollment will be held online September 22—29. Changes will be effective October 19.

For those parents who prefer to continue child's current learning option, no action is required.

Additional details are available at www.hcbe.net/learningoptions

## **NOTES**

\*Due to the Safety Policies students are only allowed to bring snacks for the entire class that is individually wrapped (example: Little Debbie treats, Rice Krispy Treats). Our first priority is the safety of the children. Please be aware that you will need to let the teachers know when you are planning on sending

items in for the class.

\*Continue sending water with your student as we are in very hot temperatures and the water fountains are not in use.

\*Our Cafeteria is now selling snacks for the students as they go through the line to receive

their lunch.



