

COOK COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM

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2021 - 2022 SCHOOL YEAR

A Special Supplement to the Cook County Advertiser
“Empowering and Inspiring All Learners To Achieve”

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE



DR. TIM DIXON
Superintendent

Wow! What a year! In my 35 years of service to students in Georgia, never have I experienced opportunities for growth like those endured over the past two years. School years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 will go down in the history books as two that we will never forget!

Thank you students, teachers, administrators, community leaders, community members, and Board of Education for your patience as we endured a second year of COVID-related uncertainties and interruptions. Our teachers, administrators, and district leaders worked through many issues to ensure that all students continued to have access to high-quality instruction as some students attended school in person and others attended virtually. Our folks also did their very best to communicate with our students and families utilizing all of the resources they had. Thank you!

We also want to thank our administrators, teachers, paraprofessionals, food services staff, and student workers, as well as our parents and students, for an amazing Hornets' SOAR Academy this year! Over 450 students were engaged in hands-on learning activities in the areas of Reading, Math, Science, Technology, Art, Music, and PE. The goal of our summer academy was to accelerate and build bridges for all students to be prepared for the upcoming school year, and we celebrated our students' success with a trip to Wild Adventures on our last day of Hornets' SOAR!

As we prepare for the 2021-2022 school year, we realize we have many challenges ahead. Our leadership team has worked tirelessly all summer organizing a plan so that our students can make up for lost time and move forward with the new curriculum. We hope that our plan is pleasing to you, although we realize that no format across this country will be without some flaws. We ask for your patience and support for our young people as we continue to move forward with their education. The vision of this School Board has not changed, and we want all students to succeed through enrollment in higher education, enlistment in the military, or employment in the workforce.

While our focus will continue to be on curriculum and instruction, our top priority will be the safety and well-being of our students. However, we cannot do this alone. We need your help each and every day before your child walks out the door to catch the bus or drive to school. If your student displays any symptoms of COVID-19, for the safety and welfare of our students and community, we ask that you please keep your child at home. If we work as a team, I believe we can continue to keep the spread of illness to a minimum in our schools and throughout our community. While we are going the extra mile to try to get back to a normal school year, we will continue to have in place some precautions to combat COVID 19. We will continue to have Ecovasive spray and sanitize our buildings and buses every 90 days. We will continue to allow students and staff to wear masks if they choose to, and we will continue to encourage our students to wash and sanitize their hands throughout the day.

In spite of the circumstances we have endured, we still have many projects to anticipate in the 2021-2022 school year. The upgrades to our athletic facilities will continue to move forward in the construction of a new track and field facility, a new softball field, and a new baseball field on the campus of Cook High School, as well as a new central office building beside Cook High. Furthermore, the old weight room has been renovated to give our wrestling team and cheerleaders a place to call home. Thank you, community, as you continue to support your students and your schools through the ESPLOST projects!

Sincerely,

Timothy M. Dixon, Ed.D.
Superintendent, Cook County Schools

COOK COUNTY SCHOOLS MISSION STATEMENT

All students will succeed through enrollment in higher education, enlistment in the military, or employment in the workforce.

VISION

To empower and inspire all learners to achieve.

BELIEFS

Cultivate a safe and positive environment.

Optimize creativity and learning.

Offer support through family and community partnerships.

Kindle challenging opportunities.

FEDERAL FUNDS

Cook County Schools is seeking input from parents. A draft of the District Family Engagement Policy is available on the district website at www.cook.k12.ga.us. Comments, questions or concerns about this document may be made through a link on the website. Cook Primary, Cook Elementary, and Cook Middle Schools will have School Family Engagement Policies and School Compacts available on school websites. Input is also being sought on these documents as well. A link will be available on school websites.

Dr. Becky Ratts

Assistant Superintendent/Federal Funds Director

DEMOGRAPHICS

Student Population:	2020-21	2019-20
Cook Pre-K	147 Students	206 Students
Cook Primary (K-2)	648 Students	636 Students
Cook Elementary (3-5)	671 Students	729 Students
Cook Middle (6-8)	744 Students	751 Students
Cook High School(9-12)	859 Students	838 Students
Total	3069 Students	3160 Students

Composition Of Population
 51% White • 33% Black
 11% Hispanic • 5% Other
 49% Female • 51% Male
 15% Special Ed Services
 8% Gifted Services

County-Wide Employees
 Certified Personnel 264
 Non-Certified Personnel 208
 Total 472

ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: How do I enroll my child?

A: You will need the following information to enroll your child: 1. Valid birth certificate. 2. Copy of your child’s Social Security card. 3. Immunization record #3231. 4. E.E.D.(Ear, eye and dental) record #3300. 5. Proof of residence.

Q: What are the school hours?

A: Cook Pre-K, Cook Primary School and Cook Elementary hours are 8:00 a.m. to 2:40 p.m. Cook Middle School hours are 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cook High School Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m..

Q: How can I monitor my child’s progress?

A: Stay in close contact with your child’s teacher. If you have Internet access, you may monitor your child’s grades using the PowerSchool website. If you have an email address, you may register for PowerSchool to send you a daily/weekly update. Contact your child’s school for identification information.

Q: How do I know which bus my child will ride?

A: A representative from the Transportation Department will be available during Open House. During the school year, you may contact the Transportation Department at 549-6556.

Q: When will report cards be sent home?

A: All Cook County Schools are on an nine week grading period. Progress reports will be sent during the grading period.

Q: Is my child’s school accredited?

A: The Cook County School System received District Accreditation in March 2018. This is the Third District Accreditation received by Cook County Schools. All schools are fully accredited.

Cook County Schools take pride in the educational opportunities we are able to provide for our children. Our teachers and staff members work very hard to meet the needs of all students to ensure academic success. We have evidence that students are learning and making good progress, and we consider this to be an important indicator of success. An important part of our success is parent participation and support in developing activities to improve student achievement. We hope that as a parent/guardian, you will become involved in our school improvement initiatives as we continue to monitor student achievement and set high expectations. If you are interested in participating in developing our school improvement initiatives so we can continue to excel, contact your child’s school.

ACT & SAT TEST DATES

The SAT is a globally recognized college admission test that lets you show colleges what you know and how well you can apply that knowledge. It tests your knowledge of reading, writing and math —subjects that are taught every day in high school classrooms. Most students take the SAT during their junior or senior year of high school, and almost all colleges and universities use the SAT to make admission decisions. Taking the SAT is the first step in finding the right college for you — the place where you can further develop your skills and pursue your passions. But SAT scores are just one of many factors that colleges consider when making their admission decisions. High school grades are also very important. In fact, the combination of high school grades and SAT scores is the best predictor of your academic success in college.

The ACT is an achievement test, measuring what a student has learned in school. The ACT has up to 5 components: English, Mathematics, Reading, Science, and an optional Writing Test. The SAT has only 3 components: Critical Reading, Mathematics, and a required Writing Test. The ACT National Test Dates in the U.S., U.S. Territories, and Canada.

SAT TEST DATES (2021-2022)

AUGUST 28, 2021 • OCTOBER 2, 2021

NOVEMBER 6, 2021 • DECEMBER 4, 2021

MARCH 12, 2022 • MAY 7, 2022 • JUNE 4, 2022

ACT TEST DATES (2021-2022)

SEPTEMBER 11, 2021 • OCTOBER 23, 2021

DECEMBER 11, 2021 • FEBRUARY 12, 2022

JUNE 11, 2022 • JULY 16, 2022

COOK COUNTY SCHOOLS 2021-22 CALENDAR

SEMESTER 1

Pre-Planning July 26-30 & August 2-3
 First Day of School August 4
 Labor Day Holiday September 6
 In-Service For Teachers September 7
 Fall Break (Students) Oct. 8-12
 Fall Break (Teachers) Oct. 8-11
 In-Service For Teachers Oct. 12
 Thanksgiving Holidays Nov. 22-26
 End of Semester
 for Students (½ day) December 17
 Full Day For Teachers December 17
 Christmas Holidays
 for Students Dec. 20–Jan. 4
 Christmas Holidays
 for Staff December 20-January 2

SEMESTER 2

In-Service Days (Teachers) Jan. 3 & 4
 Students Return January 5
 Martin Luther King Holiday January 17
 Winter Break February 18 & 21
 Student Holidays March 18 & 21
 Holiday For Teachers March 18
 In-Service For Teachers March 21
 Spring Break April 4-8
 Last Day of School
 (1/2 Day - Students) May 20
 Full Day For Teachers May 20
 Post Planning May 23 & 24
 Memorial Day Holiday May 30

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Parents will receive a copy of the School Attendance Protocol in its entirety during the first week of school.

Attendance letters will be sent at five (5) unexcused absences.

At ten (10) unexcused absences, the Student Support Team will review the case again and make a referral to the School Social Worker, if a referral has not been made previously.

Please refer to each school’s handbook concerning excused absences.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Cook County Pre-K/Cook Primary School..... Angela Williams
 Cook Elementary School..... Kacy Williams
 Cook Middle School Kayla Craft
 Cook High School Shelli Phillips

PARENTS RIGHT TO KNOW

We are very proud of the teachers and paraprofessionals working in our Cook County Schools. We feel they are prepared to give your child a high-quality education in the coming school year. In compliance with the requirements of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), we would like to inform you that you may request information about the professional qualifications of your student’s teacher(s) and/or paraprofessional(s). The following information may be requested:

- Whether your student’s teacher -
- has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction;
- is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived; and
- is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher.
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals, and if so, their qualifications.

Please rest assured that our staff is committed to helping your child reach his or her maximum academic potential throughout their school career. That commitment includes making sure that all of our teachers and paraprofessionals are highly skilled and delivering quality instruction to your child.

If you wish to request information concerning your child’s teachers’ and/or paraprofessional’s qualifications, please contact the Federal Programs Director at 229-896-2294.

COOK COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board Meeting & Work Session Dates For 2021/2022

July 20, 2021	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
July 20, 2021	6:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting	
August 9, 2021	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
August 9, 2021	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting	
September 13, 2021	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
September 13, 2021	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting - Featured School: Cook Primary	
October 12, 2021	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
October 12, 2021	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting - Featured School: Cook Elementary	
November 8, 2021	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
November 8, 2021	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting - Featured School: Cook Middle	
December 13, 2021	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
December 13, 2021	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting - Featured School: Cook High	
January 10, 2022	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
January 10, 2022	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting - Featured School: Cook Primary	
February 15, 2022	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
February 15, 2022	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting - Featured School: Cook Elementary	
March 14, 2022	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
March 14, 2022	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting - Featured School: Cook Middle	
April 11, 2022	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
April 11, 2022	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting - Featured School: Cook High	
May 9, 2022	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
May 9, 2022	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting	
June 13, 2022	5:00 p.m.
Work Session	
June 13, 2022	6:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting	

The Superintendent in cooperation with the Cook County Board of Education may schedule and advertise special called board meetings and/or work sessions as deemed necessary throughout the calendar year. Also, any date change or time change will be posted at the Cook County Board of Education and published in the local newspaper.

ALL BOARD MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT THE COOK COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

COOK COUNTY BOE



Jeff Taylor, Board Chairman, was elected in 2016. He and his wife, Tess, have 2 children, James, who graduated from Cook High in 2019, and Julie, who attends Cook High School. The Taylors are members of 1st Baptist Church in Adel. Jeff works with First Commerce Credit Union in Adel.



Corkey Taylor, Board Vice-Chairman, was elected in 2018. He and his wife, Michelle, have 3 children, Cole, Courtney, and Chipper. Two of them have graduated from Cook High School, and one is beginning his journey. The Taylor's are members of Adel Church of God. Corkey is self-employed at Corkey's Triple T Pilot Car Service.



Sharon M. Locklear, has been a member of the board since January 2021. Sharon is married to Johnny, and they have 3 sons and 13 grandchildren. She is an active member of Bethel Missionary Baptist Church where she sings in the Senior choir and serves as Youth Minister. She studied Business Management at Wiregrass, and she wishes to be a great asset to the school board.

Brenda W. Moore was born and raised in Cook County. She graduated from Cook High School in 1968. She graduated from Valdosta State (College) University with a B.S. in Business Education (1971) and a Masters in Business Education in (1984). She taught for 32 years in the Cook County School System as a Business Ed Teacher and the CTAE Director for 12 years. She was married to Charles Moore for 29 years before he passed away. She and Charles have two sons and daughters-in-law: Matt and Anna Moore and Adam and Erin Moore; 3 grandchildren: Charlee, Charles, and Brooks Moore; 1 great granddaughter: Delilah. She loves to attend all the activities in which her grandchildren are involved. She and her family are active members of Antioch United Methodist Church. "I am thrilled to be on the Cook County Board of Education; and I will do everything in my power to help make our school system one to be proud of." Her term expires December 2024.



Chad Sumner, Board Member, is a farmer from Lenox who also owns and operates New River Cattle. He and his wife Kim, children Peyton, John, and Madison are members of the Lenox Baptist Church where he teaches an adult Sunday School class and serves as a Deacon. His term expires December, 2022.



MY SCHOOL BUCKS

Cook County Schools is excited to offer MySchoolBucks® School Store! This online payment service provides an easy way to pay for items such as Art Supply Fees, Athletic Uniforms, Band Uniforms, Club Dues, Extended Day, Field Trips, Prom Tickets, Theater Wing Production Tickets, T-Shirts, Yearbooks, and so much more using your credit/debit card or electronic check.

MySchoolBucks provides:

- **Convenience** - Available 24/7 on the web.
- **Efficiency** – Make purchases for all your students, even if they attend different schools within the district. Eliminate the need for your students to take money to school.
- **Flexibility** - Make payments using credit/debit cards and electronic checks.
- **Security** – MySchoolBucks adheres to the highest security standards.

Enrollment is easy!

If you are already using MySchoolBucks to pay for school meals, your account is already set-up and ready to go! Just log in and click on School Store.

If you don't have an account follow the steps below:

1. Go to www.MySchoolBucks.com and register for a free account.
2. Add your students using their school name and student ID.
3. Make purchases with your credit/debit card or electronic check.

A program fee may apply. You will have the opportunity to review any fees and cancel if you choose, before you are charged.

You can use MySchoolBucks to pay for things such as:

- Art Supply Fees • Club Dues • Extended Day • Field Trips • Prom Tickets • Yearbooks • Technology Fee
- Theater Wing Production Tickets • T-Shirts • Uniforms

*If you have any questions, contact MySchoolBucks directly:
support@myschoolbucks.com (855) 832-5226
Visit myschoolbucks.com and click Help*

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Adel, GA 31620

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COOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

1512 North Elm St.

Sparks, GA 31647

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Fax: 549-8568

Cafeteria: 549-8567

Nurse: 549-8566

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Adel, Georgia 31620

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COOK MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Sparks, GA 31647

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Cafeteria: 549-5985

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EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS

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Adel, GA 31620

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COOK HIGH SCHOOL

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9900 HWY 37

Adel, GA 31620

Office: 896-2213/2587

Fax: 896-3423

Cafeteria: 896-4188

Gym: 896-3632

CTAE: 896-3939

Tech Lab: 896-7352

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STATE ASSESSMENTS

ACCESS for ELLs 2.0

ACCESS for ELLs is administered, annually, to all English learners in Georgia. ACCESS for ELLs is a standards-based, criterion referenced English language proficiency test designed to measure English learners' social and academic proficiency in English. It assesses social and instructional English as well as the language associated with language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies within the school context across the four language domains. ACCESS for ELLs meets the federal requirements that mandates states to evaluate EL students in grades K through 12 on their progress in learning to speak English.

Georgia Alternative Assessment 2.0 (GAA 2.0)

The Georgia Alternate Assessment (GAA) 2.0 is comprised of standardized performance tasks and is intended to provide tiered participation within the assessment for students working at various levels of complexity. The GAA 2.0 is designed to measure the degree to which students with significant cognitive disabilities have mastered alternate achievement standards in the core content areas of English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies. The GAA 2.0 is administered to all eligible students in the following areas:

- Grades 3-8, and high school will be assessed in English language arts and mathematics.
- Grades 5, 8, and high school will be assessed in science.
- Grades 8 and high school will be assessed in social studies.

Georgia Milestones Assessment System

Georgia Milestones measures how well students have learned the knowledge and skills outlined in the state-adopted content standards in English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies.

Georgia Milestones is a single assessment system that consists of end-of-grade measures in English language arts and mathematics in grades 3-8, end-of-grade measures in science in grades 5 and 8, end-of-grade measure in social studies in grade 8, and end-of-course measures for the high school courses of American Literature and Composition, Algebra I/Coordinate Algebra, Biology, and U.S. History.

Georgia Milestones is administered primarily on the computer and includes the following features:

- Technology-enhanced items in all grades and courses,
- Open-ended (constructed response) items in English language arts in all grades and courses,
- A writing component (in response to passages read by students) at every grade level and course within the English language arts assessment,
- A reported Lexile score based on the English language arts assessment in all grades and courses, and
- Estimated norm-referenced performance ranges for all grades and courses.

GKIDS 2.0

GKIDS 2.0 is a progression-based formative assessment, integrated into classroom work, that is aligned to the Georgia Standards of Excellence (GSE). GKIDS 2.0 is organized around big ideas and learning progressions. GKIDS 2.0 provides teachers with one source of real-time information to adjust instruction, by identifying what a student already knows, what the student needs next, and by allowing the teacher to monitor growth.

National School Lunch/School Breakfast Programs

By participating in the Seamless Summer Option (SSO) and eliminating the need for meal applications, Cook County School Nutrition will reduce administrative and printing costs. Families also benefit from the elimination of completing and submitting meal applications.

Children need healthy meals to learn. Cook County School Nutrition offers healthy meals every school day at no charge to your child(ren). Our food service receives support from the U.S. Department of Agriculture through the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs.

All schools will participate in Seamless Summer Option (SSO) and provide meals at no charge to children.

* This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM

Cook County School Nutrition Program serves over 3,500 meals daily. We provide nutritious meals to create healthy students that are ready to learn. Students who receive a nutritious breakfast and lunch perform better academically. Research has shown that eating a well-balanced breakfast improves a student's test performance, reduces tardiness and absenteeism, increases attention, and improves behavior and emotional adjustment.

As a federally funded program, the USDA requires all meals prepared and served to be of high nutritional value with reduced fat, sodium, and sugar. With that in the forefront, our goal is to serve students with foods they like as well as maintaining specific nutritional standards for every meal served. Therefore, we offer choices that make it easier for them to select something they like. Students will see new items added on the menu.

All schools will operate under Seamless Summer Option (SSO). This means all students can eat breakfast and lunch at "no cost." We are asking parents, administrators, and teachers to encourage children to make a healthy choice and dine with Cook County School Nutrition. As we embark upon this 2021-22 school term, our purpose is to continue building a school nutrition program with every child in mind while maintaining integrity and operating according to federal and state regulations.

Building the Cook County School Nutrition Program on Integrity and Excellence will be the core of our foundation. Through education, parents and children will receive the basics of nutrition, which is a key component of meeting the challenges of the nation's health issues. There are numerous nutritional education resources available on our website for teachers, parents, and children at the Cook County Schools website, select School Nutrition from the top tab.

As school nutrition continues to evolve, the challenges are numerous, but we are constantly adapting to change. We are determined to be one of the best school nutrition programs in the state of Georgia. It takes hard work to be successful, and we are ready to reach our goal.

If you have any questions, contact the Cook County School Nutrition Office at 229-896-1891

COOK COUNTY SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAM

Libby Peters, Director



PARENT COORDINATORS

System Social Worker.....Shari Breeden
 Cook County PreK/Primary School.....Lisa Eppes
 Cook Elementary School..... Holly Harrell
 Cook Middle SchoolCloretta Harris-Lane
 Cook High School Contact Counselors Office
 Parent Coordinators will host four Lunch and Learns during the 2021-2022 school year.
 Contact your Parent Coordinator for more information.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

A major component of our program is the participation of the parents in their children’s education. During the year, you will have the opportunity to be actively involved with your child’s education.

Parent and Child Together (P.A.C.T.) Time - This is a time when you or another adult (grandparent, aunt, uncle, or friend of the family) may come to the classroom to work with your child. P.A.C.T. Times are not the same throughout grade levels, and the teachers schedule their times differently. You will be notified when your child’s class has a scheduled P.A.C.T. Time. Please make every effort to come and be a part of this valuable experience with your child.

Parent meetings and workshops are held throughout the school year. Notices will be sent prior to each event.

THE COOK COUNTY EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Cook County Educational Foundation was established in 1991 with a mission of assisting deserving students who are pursuing education beyond high school. At the 2021 Honor’s Day at Cook High School, scholarships awarded through the Educational Foundation and other local donors totaled \$164,525 to the graduating class. These represent scholarships given from local businesses, banks, individuals, civic groups, as well as the foundation itself. These locally generated scholarships began in earnest in 1985 with the Irving and Natalie Dinnerman Scholarship and the Ned Bryant Memorial Scholarship(Farmers and Merchants Bank). Since that humble beginning, local scholarship giving has grown and flourished. Cook County is blessed to have this foundation that is dedicated to “paying it forward” to the next generation through the awarding of scholarships each year.

The foundation accepts donations (which are tax deductible) from individuals, businesses, and organizations. With each year the foundation has grown in the amount of contributions and the number of scholarships awarded. Contributions can be given “in memory of” or “in honor of”, and an acknowledgment is sent to the donor and the honoree or family of the deceased. A donation to the foundation directly influences the future of our community. Any contributions are welcomed, and when an occasion arises, remember the foundation. Currently seven graduating classes (1979, 1982, 1985, 1989, 1990, 1991 and 1997) contribute to the Foundation. These classes would like to encourage other graduating classes to also contribute.

SCHOOL WEAPONS WARNING

O.C.G.A. § 16-11-127.1

Carrying weapons within school safety zones, at school functions, or on school property

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) “School safety zone” means in or on any real property owned by or leased to any public or private elementary school, secondary school, or school board and used for elementary or secondary education and in or on the campus of any public or private technical school, vocational school, college, university, or institution of postsecondary education.

(2) “Weapon” means and includes any pistol, revolver, or any weapon designed or intended to propel a missile of any kind, or any dirk, bowie knife, switchblade knife, ballistic knife, any other knife having a blade of two or more inches, straight-edge razor, razor blade, spring stick, knuckles, whether made from metal, thermoplastic, wood, or other similar material, blackjack, any bat, club, or other bludgeon-type weapon, or any flailing instrument consisting of two or more rigid parts connected in such a manner as to allow them to swing freely, which may be known as a nun chahka, nun chuck, nunchaku, shuriken, or fighting chain, or any disc, of whatever configuration, having at least two points or pointed blades which is designed to be thrown or propelled and which may be known as a throwing star or oriental dart, or any weapon of like kind, and any stun gun or taser as defined in subsection (a) of Code Section 16-11-106. This paragraph excludes any of these instruments used for classroom work authorized by the teacher.

(b) (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, it shall be unlawful for any person to carry to or to possess or have under such person’s control while within a school safety zone or at a school building, school function, or school property or on a bus or other transportation furnished by the school any weapon or explosive compound, other than fireworks, the possession of which is regulated by Chapter 10 of Title 25.

(2) Any license holder who violates this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Any person who is not a license holder who violates this subsection shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000.00, by imprisonment for not less than two nor more than ten years, or both.

(3) Any person convicted of a violation of this subsection involving a dangerous weapon or machine gun, as such terms are defined in Code Section 16-11-121, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000.00 or by imprisonment for a period of not less than five nor more than ten years, or both.

(4) A child who violates this subsection may be subject to the provisions of Code Section 15-11-63.



LESLIE FOLSOM
CPS
Principal



JEANNE DIXON
CPS
Assistant Principal
PRE-K
Coordinator



GABE HAMMOCK
CES
Principal



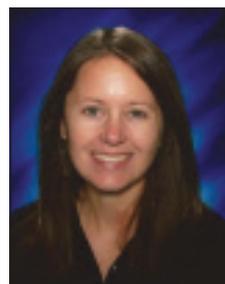
TIFFANY CLEMONS
CES
Assistant Principal



RUSTY MEADOWS
CMS
Principal



JOHNNY BEARD
CMS
Assistant Principal



JENNIFER GREEN
CMS
Assistant Principal



DR. ERIC MCFEE
CHS
Principal



PAUL DOBSON
CHS
Assistant Principal



DR. JOI WILLIAMS
CHS Assistant
Principal

RICHARD HERRIN
CHS
Assistant Principal
CTAE Director



During the 2021-2022 school year, Cook County Health Department will once again participate in a statewide initiative to have more students vaccinated against the flu by partnering with the Cook County Board of Education to administer the flu vaccine at local schools.

In the fall, public health nurses will administer the flu shot during school flu clinics.

“Our staff is excited to return to Cook County schools to offer flu vaccinations,” states Rebecca Allgood, RN, county nurse manager. “These flu clinics allow us to provide vaccinations to people who may not have the time or ability to come to the health department.”

Some insurance companies will be billed; however, anyone without insurance will not be charged for the vaccine. Parents need to make sure they complete and sign the flu consent form and return it to the school with all other important papers at the beginning of the year. A completed parental consent form must be returned beforehand for a student to receive their vaccine. Vaccines cannot be administered without that consent.

Finally, the Cook County Health Department wants to remind all parents and students that vaccination remains one of our best tools for stopping the spread of COVID-19, along with basic prevention measures when necessary- wearing a mask, distancing from others, avoiding large gatherings, and washing your hands frequently. COVID-19 vaccinations are available through the health department.

For more information on vaccinations, flu clinics or other health department services, call Cook County Health Department at 229-896-7527.

COOK COUNTY SCHOOLS PROGRAM FOR EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS PUBLIC NOTICE

Federal and State regulations require the Cook County School system to have in effect procedures for the identification, location, and evaluation of all students with disabilities who reside in Cook County. The Cook County School System is committed to providing all children with a disability within our district a free and appropriate public education. For further information, or if you suspect that you have a child with a disability, please contact:

Cook County Program for Exceptional Students
Leslie McElrath, Special Education Director
1102 North Hutchinson Avenue.
Phone: 229-896-2296
E-mail: lmcElrath@cook.k12.ga.us

FERPA AND ITS PROTECTION

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy interests of students. It affords parents the right to access and amend their children’s education records, and gives them some control over the disclosure of the information in these records. FERPA generally prevents an education agency or institution from sharing student records or personally identifiable information in these records without the written consent of the parent. A “parent” is defined as a natural or adoptive parent, legal guardian or an individual acting as a parent in the absence of the parent or guardian. When students reach the age of 18, or attend a post secondary institution at any age, they are considered “eligible students”, and all the rights afforded by FERPA transfer from the parent to the students. (34 CFR Section 99.3).

Although student files are protected under the law, FERPA does allow the disclosure of student data without parental consent under certain, specified conditions. For example, schools may reveal information from student records to school officials with a legitimate educational interest in the information.

More information on FERPA can be found at:
www.ed.gov/policy/genlguid/fj.co/index.html
or contact Leslie McElrath at (229) 896-2296

Cook County Schools Notice of Rights of Students and Parents under Section 504

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, commonly referred to as “Section 504,” is a nondiscrimination statute enacted by the United States Congress. The purpose of Section 504 is to prohibit discrimination and to assure that disabled students have educational opportunities and benefits equal to those provided to non-disabled students.

For further information regarding Section 504, or if you have questions or need additional assistance, please contact the local system’s Section 504 Coordinator or view related information on the school website at: www.cook.k12.ga.us

Cook County Schools
Dr. Courtney Holley, 504 Coordinator
1102 North Hutchinson Avenue.
Phone: 229-896-2296
E-mail: courtneyholley@cook.k12.ga.us

COOK COUNTY SCHOOLS CHECK IN/OUT PROCEDURE FOR PRE-K THRU 5TH GRADE

Parents must check students out through the office. Students should not be checked out early except for emergencies, hardships or appointments. Students who routinely check out early will be referred to an administrator.

You will be asked to provide picture I.D. during student check out.

Students may not be checked out after 2:15 p.m. due to regular afternoon traffic congestion. Parents may not remove students from loaded buses.

We do not accept telephone messages that ask for a student to go home a different way than he or she came to school. The message must be in writing from the parent. This is for your child's safety.

BALLOONS AND FLOWERS

Bus students who receive balloons and flowers at school for special occasions must make arrangements for their parents to pick them up after school.

PowerSchool for Parents

Parents are able to access their child's current grades and attendance through the Internet. When viewing grades you can see each assignment and your child's grade on each assignment by clicking on the course grade. To access this option you can go to the website: ps.cook.k12.ga.us/public/. Please do not type "www" or "http" at the beginning of this web address. This website can also be accessed by clicking on the PowerSchool link in the top right of any Cook County Schools webpages. The district website is www.cook.k12.ga.us. Here you can find directions to setup your single sign-on account if not already complete. Please look for more information from the school. Should you have any problems contact the school registrar.

PowerSchool also has a mobile app. You will need to have your account setup before accessing. The code required to identify Cook County is BMHH.

If you do have internet access at home or work, you can view this information on your child's progress at any time. If you do not have internet access, you can contact your child's counselor to receive a report through the mail. Please keep your passwords confidential so only you can access the information.

Cook Continues Google and Clever Partnerships

Cook County School System has joined Google to assist in educating your children. G Suites is a host of applications to schools for the purpose of educating students and helping teachers organize their digital classrooms, all at no cost to school systems. These applications range from word processing to cloud storage.

What does this mean for your child? Everything students need will be available on any electronic device. G Suite is compatible with computers, Chromebooks, tablets and cell phones.

Students will have access to their school work at any time! All students in the Cook County School System will have a Google account once a parent signs the consent in the student handbook or online registration website. Please look for this information to ensure your child has access to age appropriate apps assigned and monitored by their teachers. G Suites core services comply with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

Many resources, both free and paid, are associated with a single sign-on portal called CLEVER. This allows students to login at <https://www.clever.com/in/hornets> and be automatically logged in to these applications. This allows for the student and parent to only remember the Google login for the student's career in the Cook County Schools.

ROSTERS

Class rosters (assignments) will be posted at the respective schools Thursday, July 22nd after 3:30 p.m. for Kindergarten through 8th Grade.

1:1 Chromebook Initiative Finally a Reality

All students in Cook County have their own individual chromebook that is assigned to them for their daily use. This is a major accomplishment for our school system. Each student will receive a chromebook user agreement that a parent/guardian will need to sign and return to school with the student.

PowerSchool Online Registration for New and Returning Students

Last year was the inaugural year for the launch of PowerSchool Online Registration. New students were able to complete required documents online and then make an appointment with the school's registrar to finalize the enrollment. Parents of returning students received a letter with a "snapcode" to go in and update their student's information. This process replaced the multiple papers that parents would receive and complete at the first of each school year. Once again this year, parents will receive a letter with a "snapcode". Using the login information created last year, they will be able to update their student's information online.



Cook
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Coaching And Retaining Educators Successfully

TO APPLY VISIT:

<https://www.cook.k12.ga.us/prospectivemploees>
Contact: Dr. Courtney Holley-HR Director
229-896-2296
courtneyholley@cook.k12.ga.us

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Is your child uninsured?
Our accident plan may be the answer to protecting your children.

We are designed to be affordable and online enrollment in the accident plan takes only minutes! Choose from a variety of accident plans and options such as:

- 24-hour • At School • Extended Dental • Football



Visit us online at www.hsri.com and click on K-12 student insurance to see what plans your school offers.

COOK PRE-K INFORMATION

Pre-K 2021-2022 • School Hours 8:00 – 2:40

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Backpack • Complete change of clothes • Towel for nap time

PARENT CONFERENCE DATES

December 1-2, 2021 • May 3-4, 2022

DATES TO REMEMBER

Pre-K rosters posted for parents at CPSTuesday, July 20, after 3:30 p.m.

Pre-K Parent Orientation in the CPS Cafeteria Tuesday, July 27, 5:30 p.m

Back to School Open House..... Thursday, July 29, 9:30-11:30

Back to School Open House..... Friday, July 30, 12:00-2:00

Back to School Open House..... Monday, August 2, 4:00-6:00

PARENT INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Field trips, class parties, special events, and Parent and Child

Together (PACT) Time scheduled throughout the year.

BELL SCHEDULE/MASTER SCHEDULE

8:00.....Class begins

8:05.....Tardy bell rings

8:10..... Breakfast

9:20 – 11:35 Recess (45 minutes per class)

11:40 – 12:30Lunch (30 minutes per class)

1:00 – 2:00Nap time

2:30 – 3:15 Student dismissal

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Attendance is important in Pre-K! The first step in establishing good school habits and routines is regular school attendance, so your child must be at school unless he/she is ill. A written excuse will be required for all absences. Please send a note with your child when he/she returns to school after being out for any reason. If you take your child to the doctor, please ask the doctor or nurse to write an excuse. Pre-K guidelines require children who do not attend class or are late for an excessive number of days without a medical or other reasonable explanation to be removed from the roster.

FACULTY AND STAFF:

Leslie Folsom Principal

Jeanne Dixon.....Asst. Principal, Pre-K Director

Heather Tomlinson Secretary/Bookkeeper

Lisa Eppes Parent Involvement Coordinator

TEACHERS

Doraleen Acree • Felicia Allen
Lindy Browning • Celena Green
Connie Hilliard • Heidi McDaniel
Cindy Norman • Hanna Sumner
Tracy Boyd

TEACHER ASSISTANTS

Renee Brisk • Marita Walton
Gwyn Thornton • Jessica Southerland
Whitney Tomlinson • Keri Ann Colwell
Carolyn Covington • Pam Birdine
Shirley Plnkney • Grace Massey



STRIVE FOR LESS THAN 5!

Finishing High School is a goal for every student.

Improving school attendance improves school success.

Victory will be achieved when we all work together.

Every Day Counts!

Chronic absenteeism leads to risk of failure and dropping out. Every day you miss school, whether excused or unexcused, you miss opportunities to learn, which limits your success. So this year, strive for less than five!

Give your kids the best start they can get in life... An excellent education!

COOK PRIMARY SCHOOL INFORMATION

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Held four awards assemblies where numerous students were recognized for Terrific Kid, Good Citizenship, Exemplary Student, Bee Attitude, Excellence, and 5 Step Protocol.
- Awarded three scooters, one per each nine weeks grading period, to students that exhibited good behavior, attendance, and academics for the school year. Scooters were sponsored by the Adel-Cook Chamber of Commerce.
- Purchased a Book Vending Machine to promote a love for reading and literacy.
- Considering the obstacles we faced in 2020/2021, we saw positive growth in reading and math in all grade levels.

2021-2022 KINDERGARTEN SUPPLY LIST

- 2 packages small #2 pencils • 4 jumbo glue sticks (*no glue pens*)
- 1 pair of Fiskars scissors • headphones
- 1 box of Classic Crayola markers • 1 bookbag (*no rolling book bags*)
- 4 boxes of Crayola crayons (*24 count*) • 1 Crayola water color

OPTIONAL

- 1 large box of tissue • 1 bottle of hand sanitizer
- Clorox/baby wipes • Ziploc bags (*quart/gallon slide-loc*)
- Please do not send pencil boxes or baskets

2021-2022 FIRST GRADE SUPPLY LIST

- 2 boxes of Crayola crayons (*24 count*) • Headphones
- note cards • 1 pair scissors • 2 Large glue sticks • Small Cap Erasers
- Crayola Watercolors • Crayola Markers • 2 spiral composition notebooks
- Bookbag • 2 boxes 24 count #2 pencils

OPTIONAL

- Boys - Hand sanitizer • Box of Kleenex • Clorox wipes
- Girls - Hand soap

* Your child's teacher may request additional items.

2021-2022 SECOND GRADE SUPPLY LIST

- 2 boxes of 24 count crayons • 2 packs of erasers • Headphones
- pencil box • 1 pair of scissors • 4 large glue sticks • 2 highlighters
- 4 packages of pencils • 1 package of wide ruled notebook paper
- 2 wide ruled composition notebooks • 1 bookbag (*NO trapper keepers*)
- 2 plastic pocket folders

OPTIONAL

- Hand sanitizer • Ziploc bags (girls quart/boys gallon)
- Large boxes of Kleenex • Clorox/baby wipes

**This is a general supply list. Please contact your child's teacher for additional supplies she may request.*

REPORT CARD DATES FOR 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

October 18th.....	1st Nine Weeks Report Cards
December 16th	2nd Nine Weeks Report Cards
March 17th.....	3rd Nine Weeks Report Cards
May 19th.....	4th Nine Weeks Report Cards

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Leslie Folsom	Administration
Jeanne Dixon.....	Administration
Jessie Russell.....	Academic Coach
Donna Carrol.....	Teacher
Joy Butler.....	Teacher
Kyle Hand	Business Rep.
Cloretta Lane.....	Parent
Raheem Perry.....	Business Rep.
Brett Harris	Business Rep.
Hope Betts.....	Parent
Jori Thompson	Parent

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING DATES

September 10, 2021 • November 19, 2021 • February 11, 2022 • April 15, 2022
Meetings will begin at 11:45 a.m. • All Parents/Guardians Welcome to Attend

PTO OFFICERS

Shayla Emrich	President
Kerri Colwell	Vice President
Kristie Dixon	Treasurer
Katrina Spires.....	Secretary

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, July 29, 9:30-11:30.....	Open House
Friday, July 30, 12:00-2:00	Open House
Monday, August 2, 4:00-6:00.....	Open House
August 4th	First Day of School
August 31st	Fall Picture Day
October 5th.....	Fall Picture Retakes
November 5th (5-7 pm)	Fall Family Night
February 25th.....	Class and Spring Pictures
May 5th (6 pm)	2nd Grade PTO Musical
May 20th.....	Last Day of School (1/2 day)

AWARD ASSEMBLIES

October 1st.....	1st Nine Weeks Award Assembly
December 10th	2nd Nine Weeks Award Assembly
March 17th.....	3rd Nine Weeks Award Assembly
May 13th.....	4th Nine Weeks Award Assembly

ASSEMBLY TIMES FOR GRADES ARE:

**8:30 – 2nd grade • **9:30 – 1st grade • **1:30 - Kindergarten

COOK PRIMARY/ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INFORMATION

2021-2022 COOK PRIMARY SCHOOL FACULTY & STAFF

ADMINISTRATION/MAIN OFFICE

Mr. Leslie Folsom.....Principal
 Jeanne Dixon.....Assist. Principal
 Jessica Russell Academic Coach
 Lisa Eppes Parent Coordinator
 Michelle Sedam..... Receptionist
 Christin Parker..... Bookkeeper
 Heather Tomlinson Secretary
 Shari Breeden School System Social Worker
 Ginny Herring Nurse
 Almeta Owens Counselor
 Kathryn Surrency Secretary
 Gage CastleberrySRO

KINDERGARTEN

Rebecca Noles • Cyndee Cowart
 Stephanie Curry • Rachel Bostic
 Mandi Shealey • Marci Baldree
 Brittany Betts • Taylor Rutland • Katie Eunice
 Kayla Parrish • Amber Williams

FIRST GRADE

Dana Bennett • Melissa Betts
 Joy Butler • Angela Williams
 Melanie Lawrence • Tawuana Inman
 Angela Graham • Regina West
 Brittany Rowan • Stephanie Boykin
 Brooke Burke • Brooke Gaskins

SECOND GRADE

Joanna Bryan • Stephanie Butler
 Kelli Vance • Amy Crosby
 Angela Harry • Sabrina Lindsey
 Kylee Rawlerson • Brandy Dukes
 Tina Vossfeldt • Mary Ellen Calhooun
 Joanna Padgett

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Leanne Chaney • Donna Hough
 Mychal Marlette • Haley Pennington
 Beth Daughtrey • Kelly Faulkner
 Sarah Parten • Connie Smith
 Jessica Daly

STEM Mandy Ward

ART..... Patti Franklin

PE Susan Young • Christy Stripling

GIFTED Elizabeth Rosatti

MUSIC Ki Golson

TECHNOLOGY Stacy Beard

ESOL Margaret Smith

MEDIA CENTER Ray Yody

ISS Bobbie Robinson • Wilma Wright

Migrant Student Services Provider Ely Brady

RTI/EIP

Kim Sumner • Cindy Robinson
 Becky Beard • Brandi Howze
 Donna Carroll • Julie Griffin
 Marva Jackson

PARAPROFESSIONALS

Jessica Raper • Ana Corona
 Danette Harris • Donna McCall
 Tonya Holloway • Edith Cleghorn
 Heather Richardson • Trisha Williams
 Louise Godwin • Robbie Hester
 LaRae Sills • Kayla Hardy
 Annie Hooks • Grace Lane
 Courtney Pearce • Lori Myers
 Gwen Pierce • Jerdinna Carter
 Jessica Robinson • Kathy Stoddard
 Kali Bennett • Jesseca Judice
 Yvonne Patterson • Patricia Woods
 Torie Brisk

FOOD SERVICE

Tammy DavisManager
 Dina Wooten • Natalie Morrison
 Renisha Thomas

CUSTODIAL STAFF

Willie Brascher..... Supervisor
 Luchus McMillan • Reggie Morrison
 Satariea Waldon • Lorraine Welding
 Cathy Byron • Ida Mae Holloman

Gabe Hammock.....Principal

Tiffany ClemonsAsst. Principal

Karen Taylor Academic Coach

Debi BradyRegistrar/Administrative Assistant

Tanya Cone System Head Bookkeeper

Cathryn Garner School Counselor

Susan Griffin Receptionist/Secretary

Holly Harrell Parent Coordinator

Becky Harris Media Specialist

Janice Jackson Food Services

Michelle Joiner Nurse

Chad Mauldin..... Technology

THIRD GRADE

Catherine Bagley, Abigail Bauch, Jenni Hester, Laura Connell,

Kelly Donaldson, JoAnna Larkin, Sebrina Meeler, Rosemary Mitchell,

Vanessa Mitchell, Ashlee Simmons, Kelly Sumner.

FOURTH GRADE

Kristi Adamson, Charla Hilliard, Heather Lindsey, Andrea May,
 Christian Harry, Jennifer McDaniel, Cassey Folsom, Tina Smith,
 Jetta Taylor, Amber Thompson, Kristina Turner, Morgan Turner,
 Crystal Wiggins.

FIFTH GRADE

Angie Adams, Jocelyn Arrendale, Jayla Jackson, Alana Dixon,
 Staci Howell, Lydia McDaniel, Alisa Pearson, Haiden Jasinski,
 Veronica Sharpe, Charlene Tabor, Erika VanHouten, Carrie Zeigler.

SPEECH

Beth White, Caroline Brown.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Carla Brown, Emily Philpot, Jamie Shea,

Kacy Williams, Bonni Young.

PARAS

Bridget Brady, Sataria Clayton, Nikki Emrich, Katy Fulghum,

Becky Hicks, Mary Hill, Teresa Parrish, Anna Smith, Cara Tillman.

SPECIALS/LABS

Valerie Bennett, Clint Carnine, Lori Carnine, Kelley Felts,
 Tracy Gray, Laura Griffin, Kathy Jones.

MIGRANT STUDENT SERVICES PROVIDER

Ely Brady

PROMOTION STANDARDS AND CRITERIA

KINDERGARTEN PROMOTION CRITERIA

- GKIDS- meets 70% or above on Georgia Standards of Excellence
- Classroom performance • Teacher recommendation

FIRST GRADE PROMOTION CRITERIA

- Report Card: 70% or above in Reading, Language Arts, and Math
- Classroom performance • Teacher recommendation

SECOND GRADE PROMOTION CRITERIA

- Report card: 70% or above in Reading, Language Arts, and Math
- Classroom performance • Teacher recommendation

**COOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL INFORMATION
CES SCHEDULE**

Tardy Bell.....8:00
Release Bell2:40

THIRD GRADE SUPPLY LIST

- Ear buds • Book Bag
 - Pencils • Erasers
 - Glue Sticks • Scissors
 - Crayons • Expo Markers
 - Pencil Pouch (*No Pencil Boxes*)
 - Tissue (*2 Large Boxes*)
 - Hand Sanitizer • Disinfectant Wipes
 - Ziploc Bags (*Gallon Size, Boys - Quart Size, Girls*)
- *Please see your teacher at Open House for additional supplies.*

FOURTH GRADE SUPPLY LIST

- Bookbag
 - Ear buds or headphones (Dollar Tree - To be left at school)
 - 3 packs wide ruled loose leaf notebook paper
 - 2 marble notebooks • 2 - 5 subject notebooks w/ pockets • 2 folders with prongs and pockets (Yellow/Blue) • 1 large cloth zipper pencil pouch (*No Boxes*)
 - 4 packs #2 pencils (*No Mechanical Pencils or Pens*)
 - Erasers (cap and/or bar) • 1 pack of Expo Markers
 - 1 pack 24 count crayons or colored pencils
 - 1 pack of Highlighters (4-5 colors)
 - 6 glue sticks • 1 pair of scissors
 - 2 large boxes Kleenex • 1 box of band aids
 - 2 packs Clorox or Lysol disinfectant wipes
 - 2 bottles of hand sanitizer (10 oz or larger)
- *Please see your child's individual teachers at Open House for any additional supplies.*

FIFTH GRADE SUPPLY LIST

- 2 Boxes of Kleenex
 - 1 Pack of Glue Sticks
 - 5 Packs of Pencils
 - 1 Pack of Colored Pencils or Crayons
 - 1 Pack of 4 EXPO markers
 - 2 Packs of Notebook Paper
 - 1 Pack of Markers
 - Band aids
 - Hand Sanitizer
 - Ear Buds
 - 1 box of quart Ziploc bags (*Girls Only*)
 - 1 box of gallon Ziploc bags (*Boys Only*)
 - Clorox Wipes
- *Please check with your child's teachers because they may request additional items.*

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS

- Greg Folsom..... Business
- Deidre Thompson..... Business
- Kim Boling Business
- Scott Freeman..... Parent
- Phil Morris..... Parent
- Kelley Felts..... Faculty
- Kathy Jones Faculty

OPEN HOUSE/ORIENTATION AT CES

Thursday, July 29th9:30 to 11:30

Friday, July 30th12:00 to 2:00

Monday, August 2nd5:00 to 7:00

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL • AUGUST 4TH

REPORT CARDS

10/16/2021 • 1/05/2022
3/22/2022 • 5/19/2022

PROGRESS REPORTS

9/02/2021 • 11/10/2021
2/04/2022 • 4/20/2022

AWARDS ASSEMBLIES

3rd Honors Day - 5/17/22 • 4th Honors Day -
5/18/22 • 5th Honors Day - 5/19/22

1ST SEMESTER

08/04/2021 • 12/17/2021

2ND SEMESTER

01/05/2022 • 05/20/2022

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Renaissance Rocks - Kick Off 8/06/21
- School Pictures - 8/25/21
- Class Pictures - 2/23/22
- Field Day – 4/01/22

PTO OFFICERS

President Bonni Young
 Vice President TBA
 Treasurer..... Leigh Sears
 SecretaryLindsey Flowers

3RD GRADE PROMOTION CRITERIA

1. Georgia Milestones; Achieve a level 2, 3, or 4 on the Language Arts and Math sections
2. Lexile: 520L-820L
3. Report Card: a yearly average of 70% or higher in Reading/Language Arts (ELA), Math, Science and Social Studies
4. Classroom Performance
5. Teacher Recommendation
6. Georgia Milestones Retest - ELA

4TH GRADE PROMOTION CRITERIA

1. Georgia Milestones; Achieve a level 2, 3, or 4 on the Language Arts and Math sections
2. Lexile: 740L-940L
3. Report Card: a yearly average of 70% or higher in Reading/Language Arts (ELA), Math, Science and Social Studies
4. Classroom Performance
5. Teacher Recommendation

5TH GRADE PROMOTION CRITERIA

1. Georgia Milestones; Achieve level 2, 3, or 4 on the Language Arts and Math sections
2. Lexile: 830L-1010L
3. Report Card: a yearly average of 70% or higher in Reading/Language Arts (ELA), Math, Science and Social Studies
3. Classroom Performance
4. Teacher Recommendation
6. Georgia Milestones Retest - ELA, Math



COOK MIDDLE SCHOOL INFORMATION

2021-2022 COOK MIDDLE SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

6TH GRADE SUPPLY LIST

2 - 1" Binder (2 binders)	10 Folders with Brads for the year
4 Packs Notebook Paper	4 Glue Sticks
1 Pack Pens (Blue or Black)	2 Marble Composition Books
Hand Held Pencil Sharpener	Scissors
1 Pack Colored Pencils	Pack of 5 Dividers
5 Packs Pencils	Highlighters (2)
Cap & Bar Erasers	Post-It Notes
1 Regular Composition Book	
Headphones/Ear buds (<i>Required</i>) - <i>Used Daily</i>	
Basic Calculator (<i>Required</i>) <i>No Scientific calculators</i>	
Ziplock Bags: Girls - Quart Size, Boys - Gallon Size	

7TH GRADE SUPPLY LIST

1 - 2" Binder With Rings	Pack of Construction Paper
3 - 1" Binders With Rings	Glue Sticks
2 Expo Whiteboard Markers	Colored Pencils
Notebook Paper	3 Marble Notebooks
Pencils & Pens	Scissors
1 Large Pack of Dividers	Highlighters - 4 Different Colors
Ear Buds or Headphones	Composition Book
T130XS or T130IIS	

8TH GRADE SUPPLY LIST

2 - 1" Ring Binders With Rings	Pencils
Pens	Notebook Paper
4 Pocket Folders Without Brads	Highlighters
1 Marble Notebook	Color Pencils
8 Pack Dividers	Glue Sticks
Ear Buds/Headphones	TI 30XS Calculator
Markers/Crayons	Scissors
2 Expo Whiteboard Markers	2" Binder For Algebra
Computer Mouse	2 Packs Index Cards
4 - 3 Prong Folders With Pockets	

* Other items may be added when school begins but each grade level list consists of general school supplies needed in each grade.

**Items needed and appreciated in all grades and Connections classes:

Kleenex, hand sanitizer, sanitizing wipes and expo markers

COOK MIDDLE SCHOOL PROMOTION CRITERIA POLICY

The Promotion Criteria for Cook Middle School is listed below to determine if a student will be promoted to the next grade level:

STATE REQUIRED TESTS

- All students must pass FOUR OUT OF FOUR sections. (8th Grade) and TWO OUT OF TWO (6th and 7th grade)
- Eighth grade students who do not pass the Language Arts/Lexile score and/or Math sections MUST re-take and pass the test(s) if the opportunity for remediation is given.

REPORT CARDS

- All students must achieve a Yearly Average of 70 or above in FOUR OUT OF FOUR academic areas. (ELA * Reading count as one)
- All students must achieve a combined yearly average of 70 or above in Connections classes.

ATTENDANCE

- Students may not have more than 10 unexcused absences for the school year.

APPEALS PROCESS

- If a student does not meet the promotion criteria policy, the placement committee will make a recommendation for each student.

2021 - 2022 CMS COUNCIL MEMBERS & MEETINGS

Cook Middle School invites all parents to share ideas and concerns with their School Council representatives for the purpose of building partnerships with school, families, and the community. Parents are encouraged to contact the council representatives below to submit their ideas and suggestions.

Dates:

Quarter 1: August 12 @ Noon • Quarter 2: November 11th @ Noon

Quarter 3: February 10th @ Noon • Quarter 4: April 14 @ Noon.

All Meetings Are Held At The Cook Middle School Conference Room.

2021-22 SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Chairman - Rusty Meadows • Parent Representatives - Phil Morris and Scott Freeman • Community Representative - Col. Ronald Mitchell

Business/Community/Parent: • Penny Bullard-Eller

School Representatives: Lyn Martin • Audrey Stacks

ORIENTATION/OPEN HOUSE AT CMS

6TH GRADE: WEDNESDAY, JULY 28TH AT 6:00

7TH & 8TH GRADE: THURSDAY, JULY 29TH AT 6:30

ORIENTATION/OPEN HOUSE FOR SIXTH GRADE

Orientation for all incoming sixth graders will be held on Wednesday, July 28th from 6:00 to 8:00 in the cafeteria. A variety of exciting activities are planned for sixth graders and their parents/guardians. This meeting will be an opportunity to meet team teachers and to receive information about changes that occur when moving from the elementary school to the middle school.

OPEN HOUSE FOR 7th and 8th GRADE

Open house for seventh and eighth grade students and their parents will be held from 6:30 till 8:00 On Thursday, July 29th. Students and parents will be able to meet team teachers and receive important forms and information about the upcoming school term.

CMS 2021-2022 DATES TO REMEMBER**SEMESTER 1**

July 28	Orientation/Open House for 6th grade
July 29	Open House for 7th and 8th grade
August 4	First Day of School
September 6	Labor Day Holiday
September 8	Progress Reports for Q1
September 9	Open House for Parents
October 8 - 12	Fall Break for Students
October 14	Report Cards go Home
October 19	TAPSS
October 20	Quarter 1 Awards Programs
October 26	Painting with Sherri
November 10	Progress Reports for Q2
November 15 - 19	Washington Trip
November 22- 26	Thanksgiving Holidays
December 7	Make and Take Christmas Crafts
December 17	End of First Semester; half day for Students
December 20 - January 4	Christmas Holidays

SEMESTER 2

January 5	Students return to school; Report cards go Home
January 11	TAPSS
January 12	Quarter 2 Awards Program
January 17	Martin Luther King Holiday
February 8	Progress Reports go Home
February 18 - 21	Winter Break
March 11	Quarter 4 Begins
March 16	Report Cards go Home
March 18 -21	Student Holidays
March TBA	CHS Registration for 8th graders
March 22	TAPSS
March 23	Quarter 3 Awards Program
April 4 - 8	Spring Break
April 12	Testing/GMAS Program for Parents
April 20	Progress Reports
April 25 - 29	GMAS Testing ELA and Math 6th - 8th grade
May 3 - 4	GMAS Algebra Testing - 8th grade
May 4	Student of the Week Program for Quarter 4 (1:30)
May 5	GMAS Science Testing - 8th grade
May 6	GMAS Social Studies Testing - 8th grade
May 13	8th grade Dance
May 16	Hornet Pride Day
May 17	MARS Celebration Day
May 20	End of 2021-22 School Term/Half day for students

PARENT'S GUIDE TO PEER PRESSURE

- Do I seek ways to develop and encourage my teen to have friendships with positive role models, mentors or leaders in the community?
- Do I know who my child's friends are and have I met their parents?
- Do I know where my son/daughter is at all times? What measures have I taken to make sure they are safe?
- Have I been encouraging my teen to become more independent, responsible and accountable for his/her actions?
- Do I make it a practice to reinforce that it's okay to be different?
- Have I been setting the example of how to embrace diversity by striving to have friends of all races, backgrounds, and social classes?
- Do I praise and teach my teen assertiveness?
- Do I discipline my teen accordingly or am I shielding him/her from the natural consequences that come along with certain behaviors?
- Have I spoken to the school's guidance counselor to learn about the latest trends and potential problems my teen could be facing?
- Do I foster an 'open door' policy and make it a priority to sit down and talk openly with my teen at least twice a week?

CMS POLICY FOR ELECTRONIC DEVICES*Cell Phone & Electronic Device Policy*

Electronic Devices include but are not limited to the following:

*Cell Phone
Earbuds/Headsets
Smart Watches
Camera
iPod/MP3
Tablets/iPad*

Any device capable of recording, viewing or transmitting information

Cell phones and all electronic devices and accessories must be turned off, out of sight from 7:00am-3:00pm. Students may access their phones only after exiting the building after dismissal.

Emergency phone calls can always be made in the main office (229) 549-5999; so, cell phones are not needed during school hours. If parents must contact their child, they should call the school office. The school office staff is excellent at relaying emergency messages from parents to students.

We understand that many of the electronic devices are very important to our students; however, they are a huge distraction to the educational process and in some cases can be a safety issue. Texting and videoing has become a major distraction and cannot be tolerated at school.

A student is considered "USING" a cell phone if the phone rings, vibrates, or the student is looking at and/or touching the electronic device. Text messages and/or social media posts with a timestamp during the school day are considered use of the electronic device. If a student is observed by an adult with a cell phone or electronic device during the school day, consequences will be assigned accordingly. Cell phone and electronic device consequences will reset each grading period per administration discretion.

Violation 1 - Maximum demerits for the week per team/Loss of earned free time/parent contact by teacher

Violation 2 - Maximum demerits for the week per team/Loss of earned free time/parent contact by teacher

Violation 3 - Maximum demerits for the week per team/Loss of earned free time/parent contact by teacher

Violation 4 and each subsequent offense- Office Referral

**Excessive Referrals will be considered Disregard of Direction violation*

Cook Middle School is not responsible for any lost, stolen or damaged electronic items or accessories and school officials will not investigate these matters.

If the cell phone is used as a tool to instigate bullying, terroristic threats, sexual misconduct, it will result in a Tier 3 violation.

COOK MIDDLE SCHOOL FACULTY AND STAFF 2021-2022

PrincipalRusty Meadows
 Assistant Principal..... Jennifer S Green
 Assistant Principal.....Johnny Beard
 Academic Coach.....Peggy Fulghum

SIXTH GRADE ACADEMICS:

Katie Anderson, Drew Bryan, Susan Exum, Jennifer Harris
 Randi Hayes Harbuck, Sarah Jacobson, Tabatha Jones
 Tonya McDaniel, Lisa Myers, Heather Roberts, Brooke Webb

SEVENTH GRADE ACADEMICS:

Jeri Anna Bearden, Bonnie Boone, Jason Carter, Taylor Cross, David Ducharme,
 Jamere Harry, Taylor Hendricks, Adam Jones, Kayla McIntosh, Haley Nash,
 Shelly Wheeler, Ronard White, Nicole Williams, Troy Williams

EIGHTH GRADE ACADEMICS:

Chris Craft, Kayla Craft, Wanda Dobson, Melissa Duke, Deena Griffin
 Trenton Mathis, Jonathan McDaniel, Heather McIntyre, Dawn Morris
 Bradley Patterson, Candi Rountree, Rachel Serrano, Luis Tyson, Tabitha Watson

6-8 RESOURCE:

Dawn Surrencey, Erin Twomey

MEDIA SPECIALIST

Teara Powell

COUNSELORS

Lyn Martin & Blake Suggs

ESOL

Tracy Koechlein

SPEECH

Brittany Dozier

PACES

Wanda Dobson

MTSS

John Smith

SPECIAL EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Leigh Moore

MIGRANT STUDENT SERVICES PROVIDER

Sara Morales

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

Audrey Stacks

CONNECTIONS

Agriculture - Morgan Anderson
 Art - Sherri Youngblood
 Band - Jacob Fortner
 Basic Skills - John Smith
 Computer Science - Sara Sumner
 Healthcare Science - Stephanie Pattereson
 Physical Education/Weightroom - Jeremy
 Brown, Corey Green, Audrey Stacks
 Technology - Josh Bryan

Office Staff

Bookkeeper
 Joni Huffstetler

Secretary
 Betty Coleman • Linda Tennant

NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR

Dennis Hicks

SCHOOL NURSE

Patsy Boone

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

Antonio Carter

PARENT-SCHOOL RESOURCE

Cloretta Lane

IN SCHOOL SUSPENSION

Stacey Russell

PARAPROFESSIONALS

Anika Burgman, Larry Cannon, Linda Collier,
 Cindy Crosby, Sharon Durden,
 Doretha Robinson, Ellar Simmons,
 Almaree Thomas, Jessica Tillman,
 Destry Walker, Joann Warren

LUNCHROOM STAFF

Manager: Jeff Stalvey

Staff

Brenda Davis, Cassandra Sims

CUSTODIAL STAFF

Head Custodian: Mary Way

Staff

Carolette Durden • Edward Harley

Gloria Keeley • Vera Pettigrew

Ralph Thomas • Shirley Williams

Teresa Wooten

CMS MASTER SCHEDULE 2021-2022

6TH GRADE

Connections 8:00-9:30
 Block 1..... 9:30 - 11:00
 Block 2* 11:00 - 12:55
 Lunch 11:30-12:00
 Block 3..... 12:55-2:20
 Power Up 2:20-3:00

7TH GRADE

Block 1..... 8:00-9:30
 Connections 9:30-11:00
 Block 2* 11:00-12:55
 Lunch 12:00-12:30
 Block 3..... 12:55-2:20
 Power Up 2:20-3:00

8TH GRADE

Block 1..... 8:00 - 9:05
 Block 2..... 9:05-10:10
 Block 3* 10:10-11:45
 Lunch 11:05-11:35
 Block 4..... 11:45-12:50
 Power Up 12:50-1:30

CONNECTIONS

6-1 Connections 8:00-8:45
 6-2 Connections 8:45-9:30
 7-1 Connections 9:30-10:45
 7-2 Connections 10:45-11:00
 Lunch/Lunch Duty/Planning 11:00-1:30
 8-1 Connections 1:30-2:15
 8-2 Connections 2:15-3:00

30 QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR CHILD’S TEACHER

When meeting with your child’s teacher(s), it is often helpful to prepare questions to discuss your child’s academic development. Below is a list of possible topics to ask your child’s teacher(s).

1. Is my child an active participant in your class?
2. How does the school help students who need extra assistance?
3. Do you feel that my child is being challenged?
4. How does my child interact with other students?
5. What would you describe as being some of my child’s strengths?
6. What would you consider being some of my child’s weaknesses?
7. What can I do at home to help support my child’s education?
8. What is the best time for you to meet with parents?
9. What is your preferred method of communication with parents?
10. How can I regularly monitor my child’s progress?
11. Does my child work well with other students?
12. How does my child behave socially?
13. Have you needed to correct my child’s behavior at any time?
14. How will my child’s grade in your class be determined?
15. Do you have a blog, website, or homework hotline?
16. How will I know if my child is on track for promotion to the next grade?
17. What opportunities exist for parents to be involved or volunteer at the school?
18. As my child’s teacher, do you see any concerns?
19. What is the quality of my child’s work?
20. How can parents learn more about what is being taught in the classroom?
21. What is my child expected to accomplish by the end of the year?
22. Does my child turn in assignments on time?
23. Does my child come to your class prepared every day?
24. How much time should my child spend on homework each night?
25. How does my child respond to instructions or directions?
26. Is my child performing at grade level?
27. Is my child working to the best of her/his ability?
28. How is my child’s attendance?
29. Do you have any recommendations?
30. What is the behavior/discipline policy for your class?

CMS DRESS CODE 2021-22

Conventional dress worn in a traditional manner is the norm for approved dress at Cook Middle School. It is the student's responsibility to come to school fully clothed and to wear clothes that are not dangerous to health or safety, do not disrupt the learning process, and stay within the school dress code. Extremes in dress and grooming are not permitted.

- Hats, hoods, and sunglasses are not permitted inside the building during school. IF SEEN, these items will be confiscated.

- Clothing should be fitted so there is no midriff or underwear showing when standing, bending, seated, or moving.

All pants must be worn at the natural waistline. Sagging pants (worn below the waistline) are not permitted. If belts are worn, they must be buckled. Zippers must be zipped, and fasteners must be fastened.

The following items of clothing are NOT PERMITTED:

- Outer clothing which resembles sleepwear or underwear, pajama-type pants or bedroom shoes or slippers (Shoes are required at all times.)
- Fanny Packs
- Tank tops or shirts with shoulder straps narrower than two (2) inches, (Females). Midriff tops, low-cut tops and one-shoulder tops, see-through blouses covering bras/tube tops
- Pants should be worn at the same length on both legs. Pants may not be tucked into socks
- Sleeveless shirts for males
- Miniskirts and short shorts – Shorts and skirts must be longer than mid-thigh length. No tight or sagging sweatpants or wind suits. They are to be worn appropriately.
- NO HEAD COVERINGS (male or female) unless documented religious apparel. Including Hoodies
- Females may only wear hair "bands" 1/2 inch in width or less. Large bows are not permitted.
- NO BANDANNAS OF ANY COLOR.
- Towels, hand cloths, curlers, combs, sunglasses and metal chains
- Bike pants, or other apparel that is extremely tight fitting
- Leggings, jeggings, joggers or any skin-tight pants, must be covered with long loose tops approaching the mid-thigh length.
- Clothing/jewelry with profanity, vulgarities, or other offensive language, references to alcohol or drug use,
- Gangs, social clubs, weapons, or sexually suggestive items
- Clothing/jewelry that could be used as a weapon. No piercings with sharp points.
- Cut-out jeans with holes above the knees. No skin can show. If there are holes in pants above the knee, leggings or shorts must be worn under the pants.
- Any clothing with group, club, or organization names on them, unless the group(s) are approved as school
- Non-prescription glasses or Glasses with no lens
- Face masks worn for medical purposes are permitted but must not cover the eyes.

Note: Administrator discretion applies to all the above.

Dress code discipline will be enforced by both teachers and administrators. Discipline will be assigned and, if necessary, students will be loaned shirts or scrubs to wear or a parent/guardian will be called to bring a change of clothes. Students will not be allowed to remain in the classroom with inappropriate clothing.

Dress Code Consequences:

Violation 1 - Warning/Parent Contact/Change of Clothes/Documentation in Educator Handbook

Violation 2 - Tier 1 Referral/Change of Clothes/Parent Contact

Violation 3 - Tier 1 Referral/Change of Clothes/Parent Contact

Violation 4 and subsequent violations - Disregard of Directions - Tier 2 Referral

7TH GRADE TDAP REQUIREMENTS:

Cook County Health Department wants to remind all students within the Cook County school system that any student born on or after January 1, 2002 and entering or transferring into 7th grade need proof of an adolescent pertussis (whooping cough) booster immunization (called TDAP). Proof of a TDAP immunization must be documented on the Georgia immunization certificate (Form 3231).

TDAP vaccine can prevent tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevents, Diphtheria and pertussis spread from person to person. Tetanus enters the body through cuts or wounds.

- *TETANUS (T) causes painful stiffening of the muscles. Tetanus can lead to serious health problems, including being unable to open the mouth, having trouble swallowing and breathing, or death.*

- *DIPHTHERIA (D) can lead to difficulty breathing, heart failure, paralysis, or death.*

- *PERTUSSIS (aP), also known as "whooping cough," can cause uncontrollable, violent coughing which makes it hard to breathe, eat, or drink. Pertussis can be extremely serious in babies and young children, causing pneumonia, convulsions, brain damage, or death. In teens and adults, it can cause weight loss, loss of bladder control, passing out, and rib fractures from severe coughing.*

Ask your pediatrician or local health department about other shots your child may need including the human papillomavirus (HPV) series, an annual flu vaccine and catch-up immunizations, including chickenpox, MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) and hepatitis B.

A full immunization guide is available on the Georgia Department of Education's website www.gadoe.org.

Parents can visit the health department or their child's physician to receive a full list of their required vaccines. For a list of health departments in our area visit <https://southhealthdistrict.com/county-health-departments/>.

If your child does not have health insurance or their health plan won't cover these vaccines, call your local health department and ask about getting no cost or low cost vaccines. For more information, visit <http://dph.georgia.gov/vaccines-children> or call your local health department.

SUCCESSFUL HOMEWORK STRATEGIES FOR PARENTS OR GUARDIANS TO HELP THEIR CHILDREN

1. Schedule homework/home study on a regular basis with your child.
2. Check your child's work and provide immediate feedback.
3. Help him or her with corrections.
4. Make homework a top priority
5. Provide necessary supplies and a quiet homework environment.
6. Provide praise and positive support when homework is complete.
7. Help return homework to class by the due date.
8. Be aware of grade level and teacher standards for work and behavior.
9. Be aware of the unit of study your child is involved in and check for understanding.
10. Check to be sure your child's backpack and pocket folder are emptied daily.
11. Provide a place in your house for all papers that require parental attention.
12. Encourage your child to place homework and other items in the backpack to return to school.
13. Organize a space for your child with good lighting and materials for completing homework.
14. Minimize interruptions.
15. Encourage and praise your child to stay on task and complete work.
16. When appropriate, encourage your child to work independently on activities.
17. Set rules of conduct during study time.
18. Contact your child's teacher if problems arise when completing homework.
19. Check your child's work before it is placed in the backpack.
20. Attend school functions and parent conferences.
21. Increase your child's level of home responsibilities when appropriate.
22. Make learning a priority in your home!

COOK HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Dr. Eric McFeePrincipal
 Dr. Joi WilliamsAsst. Principal
 Mr. Paul DobsonParent/Asst. Principal
 Mr. Richard Herrin.....CTAE Director/Asst. Principal
 Mr. Cleve Edwards..... PE/Health Teacher & Boys Athletic Director
 Mrs. Paula Simmons PE Dept. Head & Girls Athletic Director
 Mrs. Lisa Heard Guidance Counselor
 Mrs. Brittney Allen Guidance Counselor
 Mr. Kip McLeod Instructional Coach
 Mrs. Shelli Phillips..... CHS Teacher of the Year 2021-22
 Mr. Tom Thomas Business Member
 Mrs. Latoya Turner Business Member
 Dr. Mike McCartney.....Business Member (Adel Dental Associates)

11TH GRADE MCV4 REQUIREMENTS:

Cook County Health Department wants to remind all Cook County parents and students that before starting the 2021-2022 school year, all students entering or transferring into 11th grade will need proof of a meningococcal booster shot (MCV4), unless their first dose was received on or after their 16th birthday.

Meningococcal disease is a serious bacterial illness that affects the brain and the spinal cord. It is spread through saliva and can be contracted by sharing food, drinks or makeup, kissing, sneezing and coughing. Meningitis can cause shock, coma and death within hours of the first symptoms.

MCV4 or meningococcal conjugate vaccine, is a two-dose booster shot. It helps protect against four types of the bacteria that cause meningococcal disease (serogroups A, C, Wand Y). While most people who get the vaccine do not have any serious side effects it is always a possibility. The most common side effects include redness or pain where the shot was given and occasionally a fever. These side effects typically go away within 1-2 days.

Ask your pediatrician or local health department about other shots your child may need including:

- an annual flu vaccine; and
- catch-up immunizations, including chickenpox, MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) and hepatitis B.

A full immunization guide is available on the Georgia Department of Education's website www.gadoe.org.

Parents can visit the health department or their child's physician to receive a full list of their required vaccines. For a list of health departments in our area visit <https://southhealthdistrict.com/county-healthdepartments/>.

If your child does not have health insurance or their health plan won't cover these vaccines, call your local health department and ask about getting no cost or low cost vaccines. For more information, visit <http://dph.georgia.gov/vaccines-children> or call your local health department.

2021-2022 COOK HIGH SCHOOL CELL PHONE & ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

Cell phones and all electronic devices and accessories must be turned off, out of sight and cannot be used during class time, unless permission is given by the teacher. Students found in violation of this policy will be penalized as follows:

- 1st Offense: 5 days Restricted Lunch.
- 2nd Offense: 10 days Restricted Lunch.
- 3rd Offense: 2 days of Block ISS.
- 4th Offense and beyond: 1 day of ISS.

GRADUATION

To be eligible for participation in graduation ceremonies, students must have completed all requirements for a diploma and all state assessment requirements.

FRESHMAN ORIENTATION & OPEN HOUSE

Freshman Orientation (9th Grade Students Only) will be July 30th. Parents need to drop students off at CHS at 9:00 am and pick them up at 12:00 noon.

First Semester Open House - August 10
 Second Semester Open House - January 20

PROGRESS REPORTS

Progress Reports will be sent out on the following dates:
 September 8th, November 10th, February 8th, April 21st.

2021-2022 COOK HIGH SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULE

8:00-9:20Block 1
 9:20-9:25Passing
 9:25-10:05H.E.L.P.
 10:05-10:10Passing
 10:10-11:30Block 2
 11:30-11:35Passing
 11:35-1:35Block 3
 11:30-11:55 1st Lunch
 12:03-12:28 2nd Lunch
 12:36-1:01 3rd Lunch
 1:10-1:35 4th Lunch
 1:35-1:40Passing
 1:40-3:00Block 4

STUDENT PARKING PASSES AND LOCKER SCHEDULE

Students attending Cook High School during the 2021-22 school year may purchase parking permits and/or school lockers according to the following schedule:

Class	Day	Date	Time	Location
WBL	Tuesday	July 27	9:00 – 11:00 A.M.	CHS
Seniors	Tuesday	July 27	1:00 – 3:00 P.M.	CHS
Juniors	Wednesday	July 28	9:00 – 11:00 A.M.	CHS
Sophomores	Thursday	July 29	9:00 – 11:00 A.M.	CHS
* Freshmen	Thursday	July 29	1:30 – 3:00 P.M.	CHS

* Freshmen are not allowed to park on campus, so they may not purchase a parking permit.

COOK HIGH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION, FACULTY & STAFF

ADMINISTRATION

Principal Dr. Eric McFee
 Assistant Principal Mr. Paul Dobson
 Assistant Principal Dr. Joi Williams
 CTAE Director Mr. Richard Herrin
 Boy's Athletic Director Mr. Cleve Edwards
 Girl's Athletic Director Mrs. Paula Simmons
 Instructional Coach Mr. Kip McLeod

GUIDANCE/STUDENT SERVICES

Guidance Counselor Mrs. Lisa Heard
 Guidance Counselor Mrs. Brittney Allen
 School System Social Worker Mrs Shari Breeden
 Special Education Coordinator Mrs Jodi Robbins
 Registrar Ms. Braye Wilkes
 School Nurse Mrs. Allison Edwards
 Media Specialist Mrs. Allison Tolman
 Reading Specialist Mrs. Pamela Taylor
 Migrant Student Services Provider Mrs. Sara Morales
 Technology Specialist Mr. Zack Weeks
 ISS Director Mr. Cornelius Brown

OFFICE STAFF

Bookkeeper Mrs. Katrina Bostic
 Administrative Assistant Mrs. Chris Harris
 Administrative Assistant Mrs. Samona Durr
 Administrative Assistant Mrs. Lauren Spires
 Athletic Administrative Assistant Mrs. Sonja Thomas

FACULTY

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Shelli Phillips (*Chair*)
 Tetyana Ard - Melissa Calkins
 Tonya Gregory - Phillip Walker
 Makunda Ewing

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Heather Lindsey (*Chair*)
 Bill Durrance - Tabitha Jenkins
 Debbie Kelley - Michael Novack - Britt Wall

FINE ARTS/FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Sandra Sawyer (*Chair*)
 Cesar Garcia - Heather Morris
 Elizabeth Powell - Ruthanna Wickham
 Jacob Fortner

MATH DEPARTMENT

Becky Futch (*Chair*)
 Jessi Beale - Thalia Elliott
 Nick Kean - Kimberly McCann
 Kelsie Mitchell - Rhonda Reynolds

PARAPROFESSIONALS

Yessenia Bautista - Kay Leverett - Ollie McKinnon - Beth Willis

SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

Laura Howard (*Chair*)
 Zach Folsom - Mary Garcia
 Eve Lawhorn - Chris May
 Marie Joiner

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Kelly Taylor (*Chair*)
 Tracy Bledsoe - Justin Clutter
 Hayley Dobson - Julie Hoffman
 Dustin Larkin - Carrie Parker (ESOL)
 Carolyn Kaiser - Will Wilson
 Tammy Walker

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Paula Simmons (*Chair*)
 Ryan Durham - Phillip Brown
 Rusty Beale (*Credit Recovery*)
 Cleve Edwards - Clemmie Foster
 Josh Jacobson - Jamie Rodgers
 Clifford Pettidorf

CTAE DEPARTMENT

Marsha Tillman (*Chair*)
 Abbie Halbig (*Chair*)
 Lori Carter - Ren Hester
 Matt Holley - Ty McDowell
 Jenny Pitts - Constance Thomas
 Hope Weaver - Brandon White

COOK HIGH DATES TO REMEMBER:

July 30 Freshman Orientation
 August 4 School Begins
 August 10 Open House
 September 7 Teacher In-Service
 October 8-11 Fall Break
 October 12 Teacher In-Service
 November 22-26 Thanksgiving Break
 December 6-9 EOC
 By December 16 Final Exams
 December 17 End of 1st Semester - 1/2 Day
 December 20-January 4 Christmas Break
 January 3-4 Teacher In-Service
 January 20 Open House
 February 18-21 Winter Break
 March 18 Teacher In-Service
 March 21 Holiday
 March 26 Prom
 April 4-8 Spring Break
 April 25 Honors Night 6:00 pm
 May 2-5 EOC
 AP Testing
 May 6 Honors Day 9:00 AM
 May 17-19 Final Exams
 May 20 Credit Recovery
 May 20 End of 2nd Semester - 1/2 Day
 Graduation 8:00 pm

PARENT DROP-OFF/PICK-UP PROCEDURES

The lane nearest the sidewalk directly in front of the school is for student drop-off only. Drivers should pull as far down as possible along the curb (there is a sign posted where this begins) in lieu of waiting to drop off students directly at the front entrance. This will prevent traffic from backing up so much along the entrances to the school. No drop-offs should occur in the two lanes nearest the teacher parking lot. Please be reminded that the speed limit in front of the school is 5 mph.

Although some students may have to walk a few feet further through this process, this will speed up the flow of traffic directly in front of the school in the mornings. This will also help with afternoon drivers, especially those that arrive early before school has ended. We thank all drop-off drivers for adhering to this policy for the benefit and safety of all of our students.

REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

Students must meet diploma requirements in three areas:

Assessments, courses, and credits.

- Courses: students must complete specific course requirements as outlined by the graduation rule and local requirements.
- Credits: students must earn 24 units as a minimum requirement.

GENERAL LOCAL POLICIES

- A student will be placed in regular, advanced, and support courses beginning in the ninth grade based upon standardized, criterion-referenced, and formative assessment data; grades; achievement; other evidence of mastery of the Georgia Standards of Excellences; and teacher/guidance recommendations
- To be eligible for participation in graduation ceremonies, students must have completed all requirements for a diploma and all state assessment requirements.

COOK HIGH SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Individual teachers will provide supply lists the first day of school. The high school is equipped with very large lockers. Students are strongly encouraged to purchase a locker for \$10 (covers the entire year) to secure and store their valuables. PE Lockers are available for \$5 per semester.

Student Parking permits are \$20 and will be available on a first come first serve basis during scheduled days for 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students. Freshmen are not allowed to park on campus.



AREAS OF STUDY UNITS REQUIRED

(I) English/Language Arts	4
(II) Mathematics	4
(III) Science.....	4
(IV) Social Studies	4
(V) CTAE and/or Foreign Language and/or Fine Arts..	3
(VI) Health and Personal Fitness.....	1
(VII) Electives	4
TOTAL UNITS	24

FALL SPORTS

- Football • Softball • Football Cheerleading
- Competition Cheerleading • Cross Country • Volleyball

WINTER SPORTS

- Basketball • Wrestling • Basketball Cheerleading

SPRING SPORTS

- Baseball • Golf • Tennis • Track • Soccer
- Bass Fishing

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2021 CHS VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Aug. 13	Lanier #	Lakeland	7:30
Aug. 20	Ware	Adel	7:30
Aug. 27	OPEN	OPEN	7:30
Sept. 3	Pelham	Pelham	7:30
Sept. 10	Brooks	Quitman	7:30
Sept. 17	Randolph-Clay ^	Adel	7:30
Sept. 24	Brantley	Nahunta	7:30
Oct. 1	Worth *	Adel	7:30
Oct. 8	Berrien *	Nashville	7:30
Oct. 15	Thomasville *	Adel	7:30
Oct. 22	Early *	Blakely	7:30
Oct. 29	Fitzgerald *	Adel	7:30
Nov. 5	OPEN	OPEN	7:30

Scrimmage * Region Game ^ Homecoming



MEMORIAL STADIUM POLICY

To Ensure The Safety Of All Coaches, Players and Fans, No One Is Allowed On The Field Until All Players Have Entered The Field House.

CHS 2021-2022 Calendar - Semester 1

Monday - Tuesday	July 26 - August 3	Pre-Planning
Friday	July 30	Freshman Orientation
Wednesday	August 4	Classes Begin
Tuesday	August 10	Open House
Monday	September 6	Labor Day Holiday
Tuesday	September 7	Teacher In-Service
Wednesday	September 8	Progress Reports
Friday	September 17	Homecoming Game
Thursday	October 7	End 1st 8 Weeks
Friday - Tuesday	October 8-12	Fall Break (Students)
Friday - Monday	October 9-11	Fall Break (Teachers)
Tuesday	October 12	Teacher In-Service
Wednesday	October 13	Grade Verification Reports Printed
Thursday	October 14	Grade Verification Reports Due
Friday	October 15	Report Cards Printed
Wednesday	November 10	Progress Report
Monday-Friday	November 22-26	Thanksgiving Break
Monday-Thursday	December 6-9	EOC Testing
Thursday	by December 16	Final Exams
Friday	December 17	End of 1st Semester 1/2 Day
Monday-Tuesday	December 20-January 4	Christmas Break (Students)
Monday-Friday	December 20-December 31	Christmas Break (Teachers)

CHS 2021-2022 Calendar - Semester 2

Monday-Tuesday	January 3-4	Teacher In-Service
Tuesday	January 4	Verification Reports Printed/Due
Wednesday	January 5	Report Cards Printed
Wednesday	January 5	Students Return
Monday	January 17	MLK Jr. Day
Thursday	January 20	Open House
Tuesday	February 8	Progress Report
Friday-Monday	February 18-21	Winter Break
Friday	March 11	End 3rd 8 Weeks
Tuesday	March 15	Verification Reports Printed
Wednesday	March 16	Verification Reports Due
Thursday	March 17	Report Cards Printed
Friday	March 18	Student Holiday Teacher In-Service
Monday	March 21	Holiday
Saturday	March 26	Prom
Monday-Friday	April 4-8	Spring Break
Thursday	April 21	Progress Report
Monday	April 25	Honors Night
Monday-Thursday	May 2-5	EOC Testing
Friday	May 6	AP Testing
Friday	by May 13	Honors Day
Tuesday-Thursday	May 17-19	Senior Finals
Friday	May 20	Final Exams
Monday-Tuesday	May 23-24	End of 2nd Semester • 1/2 Day Graduation 8:00 pm
Tuesday	May 24	Post Planning
Tuesday	May 24	Verification Reports Printed
Tuesday	May 24	Verification Reports Due

Educational Apps for Families



Bill Nye the Science Guy



An interactive, multifaceted science app that will get kids excited about science. Available for iPhone, iPad Touch, and iPad.

Blue Planet Tales



Offers an educational approach to the past with read along stories that include brightly colored and attractive characters children love. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, and Android.

BrainPOP Featured Movie



Each day, there is a new animated documentary spanning everything from planet Mars to Mexican artist Frida Kahlo. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, Android, and Apps for Windows.

Duolingo



PC Magazine awarded this app the Editors' Choice for Language Learning. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, and Android.

Google Earth



Allows kids to explore the globe with a touch of a finger. Available for iPhone, iPad Touch, and iPad.

iTunes U



This app offers access to free educational content from top schools and prominent libraries around the world. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

Kapital



Teaches students about the stock market by allowing them to practice trading with a \$100k virtual portfolio. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

Marble Math Lite: Multiplication



This app combines the fun of a maze game with the challenge of practicing multiplication skills. Available for iPad.

Monster Physics Lite



Colorful graphics and fun missions make this app engaging, as kids explore principles of physics. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

NASA App



Official NASA app, jam-packed with information on the U.S. space program and astronomy. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, and Android.

News-O-Matic



This kid-friendly current events app boils down the daily news into simple articles that are appropriate for kids. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

Parent Toolkit



This app helps parents to navigate their child's growth and development from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade in the classroom and beyond. Text TOOLKIT to 33733 to get the app on your mobile device!

Read Me Stories



With this app, a new eBook for kids is added every day. Each word is highlighted as the voice tells the story so that kids can learn to read along. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, and Android.

SAT Word Slam Free



This app helps build SAT vocabulary by providing helpful mnemonic hints in the form of rhymes, audio, and signature "Remember This" clues. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

Sushi Monster



An entertaining and stimulating math app from Scholastic that provides clever and challenging addition and multiplication practice. Available for iPad.

SwipeSppeare



This app puts Shakespeare plays into plain and simple English. It also has engaging features such as a searchable Shakespeare Dictionary, a biography, study guides and lesson plans. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, iPad, Android, and Apps for Windows.

VideoScience



A growing library of over 80 hands-on Science lessons that demonstrate easy to recreate experiments designed to inspire and excite kids of all ages. Available for iPad.

Weird but True



This app, by the National Geographic Society, teaches kids about all their favorite subjects — animals, weather, space, history, and more. Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

WWF Together



The app offers information on tons of species, including elephants, whales, and kids can learn how far they live from their favorite animals, play with on-screen origami animals, or try out "tiger vision." Available for iPhone, iPod Touch, and iPad.

Elementary Level Middle School Level
High School Level

Parent
Engagement
Program



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