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**Congratulations to Houston County’s 2020-2021 Teachers of the Year**

HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – Houston County schools have selected their 2020-2021 Teacher of the Year. The honorees will be recognized during the district’s Opening Session for the next school year. The 2020-2021 Houston County Teacher of the Year and four finalists will be announced for the first time during the event. Congratulations to our Teachers of the Year!

**2020 - 2021 Teachers of the Year**

- \*Bonaire Elementary ..... Rene Elliott
- Bonaire Middle ..... Karen Yeager
- \*C.B. Watson Primary ..... Jessica Roberts
- Centerville Elementary ..... Jessica Nixon
- David Perdue Elementary ..... Carrie McNair
- David Perdue Primary ..... Jillian Kreutzer
- Eagle Springs Elementary ..... Stephanie King
- Feagin Mill Middle ..... Janice Stillwell
- Hilltop Elementary ..... JoAnna Hare
- Houston County Career Academy ..... Erin Morton
- \*Houston County High ..... Shayna Brown
- Houston County WIN Academy ..... Reginald Cuthpert
- Huntington Middle ..... Shikeshia Thornton
- Kings Chapel Elementary ..... Kymberley Stimus
- \*Lake Joy Elementary ..... Jennifer Jackson
- \*Lake Joy Primary ..... Cameron Barronton
- Langston Road Elementary ..... Lori Holbrook
- Lindsey Elementary ..... Felicia Felton
- Matt Arthur Elementary ..... Jessica Worrell
- Miller Elementary ..... Lakenya Brandon
- Morningside Elementary ..... Ponda Hynson
- Mossy Creek Middle ..... Amy Gautney
- \*Northside Elementary ..... Crystal Tucker

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Northside High.....	Heather Burley
*Northside Middle .....	Christina Sanders
Parkwood Elementary.....	Amanda Bennett
Pearl Stephens Elementary.....	Malinda Rangel
Perry High .....	Shawn Wiley
Perry Middle.....	Carmen Washington
*Quail Run Elementary.....	Ashley Gordon
*Russell Elementary.....	Katelyn Moore
*Shirley Hills Elementary .....	Britney Fulghum
Thomson Middle.....	Patricia Bolden
Tucker Elementary .....	Kayla Shumway
Veterans High.....	Jeremy Fermin
Warner Robins High.....	Kristin Hanlin
Warner Robins Middle.....	Brandi Dent
Westside Elementary.....	LoRena Thomas

\* Top 10 semi-finalist for Houston County Teacher of the Year

Each school has its own selection process. To select the district-wide winners, an educator from outside the district evaluated the school-level nominees' written applications. After this preliminary judging, 10 semi-finalists were selected for one-on-one interviews with a panel of out-of-district judges consisting of personnel with experience in the educational field. After an intensive and lengthy review of written applications and face-to-face interviews, the judges select the top five teachers. The 2020-2021 district-wide Teacher of the Year and four finalists will remain a surprise until announced during Opening Session.

The 2019-2020 Houston County Teacher of the Year is Dr. Kathy Releford from Matt Arthur Elementary. The district-wide finalists for 2019-2020 are:

- ★ Brenda Taylor, Bonaire Middle;
- ★ Tamra Andrews, Lake Joy Primary;
- ★ Susan Jolly, Tucker Elementary; and
- ★ Nicholas Sostillio, Warner Robins High.

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