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Dear FCSS Community:

This is *Teacher Appreciation Week*. In recognition of this, I ask that you join the members of the Fannin County Board of Education – including Chad Galloway, Terry Bramlett, Bobby Bearden, Mike Cole, and Lewis DeWeese – and me in thanking a teacher for his or her work.

I respect the work of our teachers; it makes a difference in our future. My respect goes not only to those leading a class – no matter where that may be nowadays – but to each employee of the Fannin County School System. **Every FCSS employee is an essential part of a team that strives to make a difference for students.** In addition, during this time of the "flipped classroom," I extend my respect to the parents, grandparents, and others who have become the "in-person teacher" of the new home classroom. Together, we are playing a part in the greatest profession – the one through which all other professions must pass. No matter your role, if you are reading this letter, you are a part of the FCSS family, and you are needed!

Please continue to make your immediate world better by loving and supporting those around you. As always, whether it is an academic need or anything else, reach out to your child's teacher, school, or my office; we will do what we can to help. My prayers continue for you and your family, and may God continue to bless you and the Fannin County School System.

Sincerely,

Michael Gwatney, Ed.D.

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