

Charles F. Bolden, Jr. Elementary/Middle

Bolden Bugle



February 4, 2013

Vision Statement

The vision of Bolden Elementary/Middle School is to increase student performance by inspiring curiosity and the love of learning in all students.

Dear Parents,

I am excited to share an upcoming academic opportunity for our students. Through a new partnership with Georgia Tech Savannah, our 7th & 8th grade students will use Scratch Animation Software and LEGO Mindstorms robotics to create a virtual business. This real world application of STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Math) will find students working in collaborative teams to develop a marketing and social media campaign for their product. Student presentations are scheduled for STEMposium Week, April 8-12.

We feel confident this experience will provide our students the opportunity to develop the skills needed for success in the 21st century.

Your partner in education,

Vicky Parr
Principal

GO EAGLES!



2013 NAEP TESTING

On February 27 and 28, our 4th and 8th grade students are scheduled to participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), commonly known as the Nation's Report Card. A letter concerning NAEP participation will be sent home with all 4th and 8th grade students on February 13. NAEP is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education and is designed to test what students know and can do in subjects commonly taught in school. The results from this will be used to help the Department of Defense maintain high quality schools for military dependents. It will take about 90 minutes for most students to complete NAEP. Results are reported at the state level, for DoDEA as a whole and will not affect the student's grades in school by participating.

For more information about NAEP, please visit: <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/>.

Student Absences: Pre & Post-Deployment Leave

If you plan on taking your children out of school to spend time with them during pre or post-deployment leave, please notify the school office, in writing, as soon as possible. In addition, we will also need a copy of the sponsor's leave orders or other supporting documentation regarding the pre or post-deployment leave period in order to excuse the students' absences. Students who are absent for 3 or more consecutive days will be placed on a Student Educational Monitoring Plan and afforded a period of time to make up all missed work.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 05 Feb-Early Release (1:30)
- 05 Feb-Boys & Girls Basketball w/Riverview @ Beaufort Middle (4:00)
- 06 Feb-PTO Meeting (8:00a)
- 07 Feb-PTO Book Fair Family Night (5:30-7:00)
- 08 Feb-Georgia Tech Field Trip, 7th & 8th grades
- 14 Feb-Spelling Bee in Cafeteria (8:30)
- 14 Feb-School Board Meeting @ Bolden (4:30)
- 14 Feb-Sock Hop Dance, Grades 3-5 (4:00-6:00)
- 14 Feb-Middle School Dance (6:00-8:00)
- 15 Feb-No School, Professional Development
- 18 Feb-No School, Washington's Birthday
- 20 Feb-Interim Progress Reports Issued
- 21 Feb-Math & Technology Night (5:30-7:00)
- 22 Feb-Georgia Tech Field Trip, 7th & 8th grades
- 27 Feb-NAEP Testing, 4th Grade
- 28 Feb-NAEP Testing, 8th Grade

Baseball/Softball Tryouts

Tryouts for baseball and softball will be held on February 6 & 7 for all interested 7th and 8th graders. Current school year sports physicals must first be completed for any student wishing to try out. Sports physical forms may be picked up from the school office or the nurse.

Data Corner

Our CSI mid-year assessment for writing indicates good progress in our students meeting or exceeding expectations. With a semester left, we feel confident our students will achieve their goal.

3 rd	54%
4 th	40%
5 th	41%
6 th	44%
7 th	44%
8 th	27%

The percentage indicates those students meeting or exceeding standards.

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