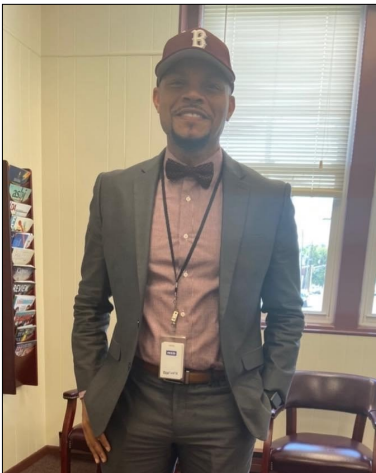




Superintendent's School Opening Bulldog Briefing

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I hope everyone had an exciting opening week of school! First week attendance numbers are in! I want to begin by thanking our teachers and staff for their out-

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Average
Broad Street School	66%	67%	71%	93%	74%
Buckshutem Road School	73%	76%	81%	94%	81%
Cherry Street School	74%	77%	89%	98%	85%
Indian Avenue School	69%	74%	83%	98%	81%
Quarter Mile Lane School	83%	85%	88%	97%	88%
West Avenue School	78%	81%	87%	94%	85%
Bridgeton High School	90%	89%	93%	90%	91%
ExCEL Program	81%	95%	95%	99%	92.5%
Dr. Geraldyn O. Foster ECC	86%	93%	96%	97%	93%

Meals for the Week of September 8th

Reported By
Mr. DeShields

Students Served:
3,264

Meals Served:
19,584



reach and for building up excitement around the opening of the year with phone calls, Class Dojo messages, mailings, e-mails, Robo calls, texts, etc. Without our staff, we could not achieve this type of engagement. Now, our task as an organization is to keep these numbers up.

Additionally, and in alignment with our mission to ensure ALL students

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achieve success, we must work together to provide another layer of outreach to the roughly 15% of students and families who did not engage with us during the first week of classes.

While all of our staff should be commended, I would like to shout out a few groups for their dedication and efforts getting our school year off to a strong start!

- ◆ All staff members who presented professional development sessions to colleagues as part of our beginning of the year in-service trainings.
- ◆ Our technology team who have been working around the clock to ready devices for distribution.
- ◆ Our bilingual teachers and Bilingual Parent Advisory Council leadership who put on an outstanding Technology workshop for parents this week at Buckshutem Road and West Avenue Schools.
- ◆ Staff who participated in our wave and "drive through" this year.

My ongoing commitment to you...

- ◆ To be honest and transparent
- ◆ To foster open communication with Associations, individual employees, and special interest groups
- ◆ To honor doctors' orders and the orders of the Health Department when staff and students are asked to quarantine
- ◆ To honor staff's requests for child care accommodations starting the third week of school (September 21st)
- ◆ To honor staff's requests for medical accommodations starting the third week of school (September 21st)
- ◆ To implement an accountability standard at every level of our organization.

Meetings/Engagements September 7 - 11

- ◆ Cumberland County Superintendents Roundtable
- ◆ Individual meetings with the Director of Human Resources, the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, Director of Technology, Director of ESL/Bilingual, and the Business Administrator.
- ◆ Administrative Council Planning meeting with the Director of Technology, Director of Math and Science, and the Director of ELA and Social Studies
- ◆ Attended the Bilingual Parent Advisory Council Meeting
- ◆ September Board meeting
- ◆ Meeting with Association Leadership
- ◆ Conversations and meetings with the Board President, VP and other Board members are ongoing
- ◆ Attended the Curriculum, Facilities, and Finance Board committee meetings
- ◆ Held a medical accommodations town hall with staff.
- ◆ Weekly Leadership team meeting
- ◆ Staff Recognition meeting
- ◆ Student Recognition meeting
- ◆ Meeting with the Director of Research, Evaluation and Testing

In closing, on this week's call with Superintendents across Cumberland County, the health department shared that our risk level in Cumberland County has been reduced from "Moderate" to "Low". Therefore, we are on target to continue with our transition to in-person timeline below:

Phase 1 – Central office staff and building-based 12-month staff reported safely this summer. (Completed)

Phase 2 – All building-based 10-month and 10.5 month staff will join central office staff in reporting safely to their buildings, offices, and classrooms. (Completed)

Phase 3 – Starting September 21st, staff members with childcare needs and staff at a higher risk for contracting COVID-19 are allowed to teach from home, while maintaining sustained student engagement and support.

Phase 4 – 25% of students return for face-to-face instruction--hybrid model on October 13th; staff at a higher risk for contracting COVID-19 and staff with childcare needs are allowed to continue to teach from home.

Phase 5 – 50% of students return for the hybrid model (date to be determined based on safety)

Update from Business Administrator and Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds

Please plan to attend this week's staff only, virtual town hall on **Wednesday, September 16th from 4:30 to 5:30 pm**, where I will be joined by our Business Administrator and Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds. The team will provide the following updates:

- ◆ Restart and Recovery Plan: Minimum Standards vs. BBOE Implementation
- ◆ District HVAC Systems
- ◆ New Hydroxyl Air Processors
- ◆ Cleaning and Disinfecting Protocol

Upcoming Dates/Events

- ◆ District Facilities and Ventilation Town Hall, **Wednesday, Sept. 16, from 4:30 to 5:30 pm**
- ◆ Second District-wide Deep Cleaning Day – Wednesday, Sept. 16; all school-based and central office employees work remotely.
- ◆ Administrative Council - Thursday, Sept. 17 at QML
- ◆ Childcare accommodations begin Monday, Sept. 21
- ◆ Medical accommodations begin Monday, Sept. 21