

Belief

We will work to help each student achieve high standards of learning because we believe all students can learn.

Vision

Achievement and Performance for Every Child, in Every Classroom, and in Every School.

Mission

Our Mission is to provide a high quality education for all Bibb County students in a safe and comfortable environment, and to make use of all human and technological resources in preparing graduates for post high school objectives.

Strategic Objectives

- Student Achievement
- Highly qualified workforce
- Positive culture and climate
- Communication and information



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Campus Police Tip Line

An anonymous web-based tip line has been created by the Campus Police Department in an effort to improve safety and security through communication. Information is also provided Student Crimestoppers for additional support.

To report information about a crime or possible threat to student or community safety, visit www.bibb.k12.ga.us and go to the Campus Police site. You can also call 779-2040 for Dispatch.

Building Relationships to Support Students

Compass Points – www.romaindallemand.blogspot.com

This past week Jadun McCarthy, Northeast High School teacher and Bibb County Teacher of the Year, gave a speech in Atlanta as part of the selection process for Georgia Teacher of the Year. Mr. McCarthy is a teacher truly dedicated to the success of his children, and I am confident the selection committee is well aware of his skills, ability, dedication, and professionalism. As he stressed in his speech, all students deserve great teachers because it is within their power to brighten a student's future and lead them to success.

As I have been visiting schools, it is encouraging to learn of our student successes, including the Howard High musi-



Dr. Dallemand meeting with faculty & staff at Weaver Middle School (above) and speaking with a student at Springdale Elementary School (below).



cian receiving a scholarship to Mercer University and the Central High JROTC Cadets and FBLA students winning region and state awards and recognitions. I also want to recognize our high school students being recognized this week as Pathway Completers; they have begun to prepare for their future careers, and I applaud that effort.

I am still actively seeking the community's input and feedback about student education in our community by visiting schools and speaking with community stakeholders and organizations. This past week, I visited Weaver Middle, Bloomfield Middle, Riley Elementary, Springdale Elementary, and Burdell-Hunt Elementary. In a few weeks, I will host six Community Conversation Forums to provide the community at large a chance to express their opinions about student education. (For the Forum schedule, see the feature at the bottom of the page or visit my blog, *Compass Points*. The schedule was first posted on Friday, April 1.)

In order for our community to come together in support of all of our students – whether that is celebrating those achieving at high levels or providing growth opportunities for those that need extra help – we must as a district have a strong relationship with our parents and other stakeholders. However, as I travel the county, I continuously hear of the difficulty that parents and community organizations have in providing resources and support to our students.

In every school and community, I hear from our employees about the need for more parent involvement and I hear from our parents about their desire to be involved. Our most supportive parents want to be involved and yet they are dissatisfied with our processes and procedures that set up barriers to true partnerships. The district dedicates almost \$1 million and almost 40 people to parent involvement and engagement, but parties on both



Dr. Dallemand meeting with parents at Burdell-Hunt Magnet School.

sides of the issue speak to me of difficulties in being involved.

External agencies and community organizations, express similar issues, such as processes and procedures set up to control, rather than foster, partnerships. There are many resources in the community that could directly serve our students, and we need to seek those out to meet their individual needs.

By creating a Welcome Center for the district, we will improve our relationship with parents and the community by providing them a place to get information, seek opportunities, learn how to be involved, and seek resolution to a concern when they are frustrated. Parents with questions about district resources for their children won't have to ask at the school and multiple departments in the Central Office, instead, they will have one place where they can ask questions. The Welcome Center will also be a place where the community can house their resources and support personnel, providing our parents a single location where they can get resources to support their children and families.

By improving our customer service and making it easy for parents and the community to support our students, we will improve relationships among our employees, parents, schools, district, and community organizations. By improving these relationships, we will be better be

able to leverage the resources of the entire community in the best interest of children. With a community committed to providing resources and support directly to students and families, education and achievement will improve for all students.

The desire by our schools and community to work together and be involved in every child's education is there and it is strong. It is time for that desire to become action, and our Welcome Center will be the place where Bibb County comes together to support all students.

I hope you will be able to attend one of our Community Conversation Forums. I am committed to all of our students and want to make sure that we, as a district, are working on the right components and improvements that will meet their needs. If you are unable to attend one of the Forums, we will have a form available online and at the schools for you submit with your opinions.



Dr. Dallemand visits with Riley Elementary School support staff (above) and students at Bloomfield Middle School (below).



Upcoming Events

Dr. Dallemand Invites Public to Community Conversation Forums

The Community Conversation Forums were first announced on Dr. Dallemand's blog, *Compass Points*, at www.romaindallemand.blogspot.com. Subscribe to his blog to stay up-to-date with his Entry Plan progress and other opportunities to provide input and feedback.

As part of Dr. Romain Dallemand's Entry Plan as Superintendent, he has been having conversations with the community about how the district needs to improve to meet the needs of all students. This includes visiting schools for an entire day to speak with students, support staff, teachers, administrators, and parents. He also has been meeting with individuals from the community.

To further engage the community, Dr. Dallemand will host Community Conversations at each of the feeder high schools. The public may attend any of the meetings.

"These forums are another way for me to personally gather input from the community," says Dr. Dallemand. "I am committed to all of our students and want to make sure that we, as a district, are working on the right com-

ponents and improvements that will meet their needs."

- Howard High**—Monday, April 25
- Southwest High**—Tuesday, April 26
- Westside High**—Thursday, April 28
- Rutland High**—Monday, May 2
- Central High & Hutchings Career Center**—Wednesday, May 4
- Northeast High**—Thursday, May 5

All forums will start at 6:30 p.m. and will begin with a short introduction from Dr. Dallemand. The community will then have the opportunity to express their opinions about student achievement, what is needed to make improvements, and how the district can best meet the needs of all students.

If unable to attend the meeting, a form will be available for them to fill out at their school or online from April 25 to May 6.

"The conversations I am having in our schools and with community members is providing me a more accurate view of our district and our students' needs," he adds. "It also is allowing me to meet the people that can have the most positive impact on the future of our children."

To stay connected with the district and receive updates about Dr. Dallemand's Entry Plan, as well as opportunities to provide feedback, the community can:

- Sign up for the communications distribution list by emailing communications@bibb.k12.ga.us;
- Visit and subscribe to Dr. Dallemand's blog, *Compass Points*, at www.romaindallemand.blogspot.com;
- Follow the district on Facebook (www.facebook.com/bibbschools) and Twitter (www.twitter.com/bibbschools); and
- Visit the district website at www.bibb.k12.ga.us.

This Week in the District is created and distributed by the Office of Community Affairs & Public Relations as a means to inform the community of the events, announcements, and highlights of the Bibb County School District.



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Upcoming Events

Criterion-Referenced Competency Tests

Bibb County students in grades 3-8 will be taking the Criterion Referenced Competency Tests from Tuesday, April 5 to Friday, April 15.

Each year, the CRCT is administered across the state for grades 1-8. Students in 3rd grade must meet the standards on the Reading portion as one requirement to move onto the next grade, and students in the 5th and 8th grades must meet the standards on the Reading and Math portions as one requirement to move onto the next grade.

Subject	Date
Reading	Tuesday, April 5
Language Arts	Wednesday, April 6
Math	Thursday, April 7
Make-up Day	Friday, April 8
Science	Monday, April 11
Social Studies	Tuesday, April 12
Make-up Day	Wednesday, April 13
Make-up Day	Thursday, April 14
Make-up Day	Friday, April 15

Central High Hosts Drama Festival

Central High School will host the Second Annual Jaba Jaba Womp Ten-Minute Play Fest on **Saturday, April 9** beginning at **10:00 a.m.** The plays will be presented in Central's theatre and are eligible for awards such as best director, best actor, best costumes, and the coveted sportsmanship award. Admission for the public is \$1.00 per person.

Begun last year by Central High School's advanced drama class, it showcases plays that are written, directed, acted, and produced by middle Georgia students of all grade levels.

"Our students are very excited to host this event for another year," says Drama Teacher Jason Levitt. "It gives students who may not have other opportunities a chance to develop an interest in theatre in a fun, friendly environment to see how it works."

Job Interview Workshop for Students

Northeast High School Seniors will participate in a different kind of Career Day on April 6. From 9:30-11:30 a.m. in the Mark Smith Gymnasium, employers from the community will simulate a real job interview with the students as a way to help them learn what they should and should not do if they want the job.

Each interview will last three and a half minutes, and it is the goal that each student will interview with at least 10 employers. After the interviews are complete, employers will speak with the students about what they did well and how they could improve their job interview skills.

The Career Day is being hosted by the Northeast High Career, Technical, & Agricultural Education teachers, and employers will include Wells Fargo, Robins Federal CU, Chili's, GEICO, the Medical Center of Central Georgia, Wonderland Assistance Living Home, The Oakes at Peake, Domino's, Professional Court System, Lighthouse Nursing Center, Wesleyan College, Howard's Medical Coding, and Walgreens.

Pathway Completers Recognized

Howard High School Career and Technical Education Program will hold a ceremony to recognize 96 students as "Pathway Completers" for completing the sequence of courses relative to their future career on **Friday, April 8, 2011** from **9:30 - 10:30 a.m.**

In addition to the academic course requirements, these students have taken 3-4 electives within a particular area of study in order to better prepare for their postsecondary options. By completing a careers pathway, a high school student learns valuable skills that will better prepare them for the future.

The state of Georgia established "Peachstate Pathways," eleven different areas of study relevant to a variety of occupations. The Howard High School CTAE program offers many of the state-recognized pathways, including Computing, Financial Management-Accounting, Graphic Communications, Interactive Media, Small Business Development, Marketing & Management, Education and Teaching, Nutrition and Food Science. Howard High also offers pathways that not part of the CTAE program, including Modern Language, Performing Arts and Visual Arts.

April Committee & Board Meetings

Due to Spring Break, the Board of Education will combine its April Committee and Board Meetings on **April 14, 2011**. The Committee Meeting will begin at **4:00 p.m.**, and the Board Meeting will begin at **6:00 p.m.** Both meetings will be held in the fourth floor Board Room at 484 Mulberry Street.



Student & School Highlights

Governor's Honors Program

Nine Bibb County students have been selected to attend the Governor's Honors Program this summer, a four week summer instructional program held at Valdosta State University. It is designed to provide intellectually gifted and artistically talented high school students challenging and enriching educational opportunities.

Rising juniors and seniors are nominated by their teachers in the areas of Academics, Fine Arts, Technology/Career Education, or Agricultural Education. Nominees to the state level are selected based on grade point average, PSAT scores, an interview with district administrators, and the level of expertise in the nominated area.

Brett Felty, Central High
Communicative Arts

Hanin Menchew, Central High
Communicative Arts

Jihwan Oh, Central High
Mathematics

Christine Okaro, Central High
Social Studies

Yeji Park, Central High
Mathematics

Mamie Knight, Howard High
Communicative Arts

Shivam Patel, Howard High
Biology

Matthew Blankenship, Rutland High
Music/Voice (Bass)

Reginald Williams II, Westside High
Social Studies

District Announcements

2011-2012 Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten enrollment registration for the 2011-2012 school year will take place from March through May 2011.

In order to enter a Georgia public school for the 2011-2012 school year, a child must be five years of age on or before September 1, 2011. The parent/guardian must reside within the school's attendance zone as designated by the Bibb County Board of Education. Parents/guardians are required to supply the following documents at registration time to complete the process:

- Child's registered birth certificate
- Child's immunization records (Form 3231)
- Hearing, Vision and Dental Health (Form 3300)
- Proof of residence (Electric Bill, Gas Bill, Rental/Mortgage letter only)
- Social Security Card

Academic Calendars Online

The revised 2010-2011 Academic Calendar has been posted on the district's website (www.bibb.k12.ga.us); the revisions reflects the make up days needed after the district closed on January 10 and 11 for a winter storm. To make up instructional time, **students will attend school on March 11 and May 19, 2011.**

The 2011-2012 Academic is also posted on the website; however, this calendar is still subject to change. Should any changes be made, it will be announced through the district's regular communication channels. This includes e-mail distribution, posting on the district's website, all community phone call, posting at the schools, and posting on the district's Facebook (www.facebook.com/bibbschools) and Twitter (www.twitter.com/bibbschools) pages.

Investiture & Graduation on Channel 17

New videos have been added to the Channel 17 broadcast schedule, and they will air in the following order beginning at 7:00 p.m. every night.

- Investiture for Dr. Romain Dallemard (full program)
- Winter Graduation 2011
- Dr. Romain Dallemard's Investiture Speech

Cox Cable Channel 17 - which shows information and videos about the Bibb County School District - **may** have changed station numbers for people that do not have digital cable. For instructions how to access the new channel, visit www.bibb.k12.ga.us/17.html.

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Students Compete in Bibb County Media Festival

Approximately 140 projects from 20 schools were entered in the Bibb County Student Media Festival held at the Hutchings Career Center. Winners ranged from K-12 and projects are judged based on the age of the student, the purpose of the project, and technical and creative skills exhibited in the project. This year, 70 projects received a 'superior' rating of 96% or better and will compete at the Georgia Student Media Festival at Clayton State College on April 29. A superior rating at the state competition will

qualify a project to be entered in the International Student Media Festival.

Student media projects such as live action video, website design, animation and photography foster learning across the curriculum. At the elementary and junior high school levels, reading comprehension, writing skills, and math skills are developed. In addition to those areas, high school and college students increase their abilities to plan, analyze, and interpret results.

Student created media – through its use of computers, video, sound, and photography – increases student participation in the classroom learning environment. State and national education standards are met and surpassed in the exciting atmosphere of creativity cultivated through the use of student media projects. Future academic and employment opportunities increase for students proficient with technology.

Producer(s)	School Name	Title	Project Type	
Evan Jones	Alexander II Magnet	Five Decades of Movies	Animation	
Joyce Wang		My Day at Alex II	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Stephen Summerow		Macon Galaxy Soccer Dome	Web Site	
Hannah Bonney		PEMDAS	Animation	
Evan Thompson		Going Green	Live Action	
Andy Greene		How To Make a Lego X-Wing Fighter	Animation	
Gracie Bell & Andy Prather		Future News Cast (Child Recreation Center)	Live Action	
Aidan Hintermaier		Biomass Man	Animation	
Stephen Summerow		I Did It!!!	Animation	
Hannah Bonney		Go Green!!!!!!	Web Site	
Virginia McArthur		Where is Spring?	Animation	
Megan Mayer		Buddy	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Ausere Ivey		Brookdale Elementary	How to play basketball	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Shaniya Stanley			Miming for fun	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Donnell Lossa	Burdell-Hunt Magnet School	Cars: My Passion	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Mary Woodford & Tamiya Durham		The Island of Curacao's Caribbean Queen	Sequential Stills (without audio)	
Jawon Johnson & Justin Harrell		Rosa Parks: Civil Rights Fighter	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Shamani Grimes & Zykarious Harris		Burdell Hunt Wildcats	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Kiara Blue & Destiny Culler	Janet Jackson	Sequential Stills (with audio)		
Ethan Hamlin & Bryce Mueller	Heard Elementary	The Wimpy Kid - Super Edition	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Tate Skipper		The Cycle of Wheat	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Sam Lemon	Heritage Elementary	Ocmulgee National Monument	Interactive Stills	
Madelyn Van Aken		Sookie	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Elaina Halvorson		Fruits and Vegetables	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Zaulina Pitts	Jones Elementary	Reverend and Mrs. Jacob Parker	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Zaulina Pitts & Terrion Dennis		Cheerfulness	Podcast	
Mya Ross & Thomas Pate	Riley Elementary	Habitats of Georgia	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Timothy Davis		Magnets	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Amanda Hickman & Lauren Newberry	Skyview Elementary	Food Scarcity	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Symone Crowder & Ivia Rollins		Journey to the Hoonga Moloonga	Live Action	
Symone Crowder & Ivia Rollins		Read A Book & Book A Reservation		
Eric Hart & Brianna Jones		How To Make A Dream Board	Animation	
Joshua Moore	Springdale Elementary	I Love My Mommy	Animation	
Alyn Ovell, Colby Hicks, Anna Clifton, Chet Thompson, & Dixie Boyd		Uranium Energy Rock Performance	Live Action	
Jonathan David Turner		Jolly Rancher Jeopardy	Sequential Stills (with audio)	

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Brandon Hill	Appling Middle	4-H Website	Web Site
Kianna Elam & Kinnelie Rutland		We Want To Win!	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Brenda Valdes	Howard Middle	Clockwork Angel	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Amanda Rowan		My Name is Rachel	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Elijah McCoy		The Lincoln Memorial	Web Site
Ashley Todd		GollyWhopper Games	Podcast
Nora Grace David & Caroline Mayfield		Peek-a-Boo	Animation
David Hudgins		A Day in the Life of a Common Roman Citizen	Live Action
Nina Clayton	Miller Middle	www.millergreentean.webs.com	web site
Savannah Savage		Y-O-U	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Jamich Moore & Jeremy Moore	Rutland Middle	Sleepless on Christmas Eve	Animation
Jamich Moore		Honesty	Live Action
Jeremy Moore		Story Time with the Dipmunks	Animation
Elisha Tobler	Central High	The Second Amendment	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Astacia Watkins		Breast Cancer Documentary	Live Action
Harley Bramlett	Howard High	Harley's Poetry	Web Site
Franciska Van Horssen		Cuba	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Andrew Mayfield	Howard High	Pirates! Democracy, Debate, and Diplomacy	Live Action
Teva Ilan		Formation of the Modern State of Israel: the 1947 Partition Plan	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Delaney Doolittle & Ruby Allen		Hola!	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Delaney Doolittle		Dominican Republic	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Tabitha Lewis		RAWR!!! I'm a Dragon!	Interactive Stills
N'Dea Rackard		HHS's Spanish Club	Web Site
Rachel Anne McDonald		Werewolves: A Trickster Guide to the World of the Wolves	Web Site
Timothy Lewis		Breakfast	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Tristiana Johnson		Azure Heavens	Live Action
Emily Rodenroth & Jesus Sanchez		Howard Spanish Club	Web Site
Victoria Pham & Cameron Cox	A Storybook Adventure	Sequential Stills (with audio)	
Andrew Mayfield	Rutland High	Pictures: Before & After	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Danielle Lasker		Argentina	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Timothy Lewis		White Wonder	Sequential Stills (with audio)
Marilyn Bui		Brain Food	Web Site
Wesley Cosnahan & Brittany White		Concrete Angel	Live Action
Kelly Bui		A Slide In the Park	Animation
J'Vunte Allen		The Freakin Idiots	Live Action