



Bayou View Middle A National Blue Ribbon School



Bryan Caldwell, principal of Bayou View Middle School

Bayou View Middle School has been named a 2008 No Child Left Behind-Blue Ribbon School. This award distinguishes and honors schools for helping students achieve at very high levels and for making significant progress in closing the achievement gap.

President Bush has said, "...we must trust students to learn if given the chance, and empower parents to demand results from our schools. In neighborhoods across our country, there are boys and girls with dreams—and a decent education is their only hope of achieving them." Thanks to Bayou View Middle School and their fellow No Child Left Behind-Blue Ribbon Schools, the dreams of America's young people are brought within reach. These leaders of tomorrow, as well as our whole country, will benefit from the investments we make now in their success.

Bryan Caldwell, principal of Bayou View Middle School and a teacher from the school will attend a special ceremony in Washington, DC, October 20-21 in recognition of their prestigious honor.



Gulfport High School Unites with Businesses and Industry



Front Row: JD Carr (Building Trades Instructor), Roger Branch, David Marchman, Anthony Hale, Robert Caylor (Automotive Instructor)

Back Row: Ernie Hufine, Dennis Newell, Tony Chambers

The Gulfport School District Craft Committee is comprised of teachers and community members. The advisory committee is designed to assist in assuring the relevance of the vocational education program, assisting in creating partnerships, and increasing public awareness of the available programs in the community. The Craft Committee met Thursday, September 25 to discuss issues relating to the fields of engineering, technology, child care, medical, building trades, automotive, and other careers students are learning about in the Career and Technology Center at Gulfport High School.



Pass Road Elementary Terrific Kids of the Month for September, 2008

Madison Woolhiser, Alec Craft, Jaiden Jones, Grant Whittet, Gabriel Walker, Amaiya Riggs, Esmeralda Flores, Calvin Smith, Detaures Warren, Luis Sloan, D'Aja Watson, Sierra Evonovich, Ashton Green, and Emily Uresti

Not pictured: Elliot Johnson, Jacob Marler

Outstanding Achievement of Teachers At Anniston Elementary

Three teachers, Nicole Estes, Becki Shoemake and Pat Stokes at Anniston Elementary proved that the MCT2 was not going to be a struggle for their 4th and 5th grade students this past school year. When the MCT2 scores arrived, these teachers were ecstatic to learn that their students scored proficient and/or advanced in either Reading/Language Arts or either the Mathematics portion of the test. All three teachers were recognized at the September 22, 2008 School Board meeting by Superintendent Glen East and by their principal, Dr. Carol Payne.



Principal Dr. Carol Payne and
Becki Shoemake

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Nicole Estes



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Pets Show up for School at Bayou View Elementary

This is the third year fourth grade students were actually allowed to bring their personal pets to school for everyone to see. After reading the much loved story *Shiloh*, Bayou View Elementary fourth grade students held their very own dog show. *Shiloh* is a story about a boy who saves a dog from being mistreated by his owner. Mrs. Harris from the Humane Society of South Mississippi was invited to speak to the students about proper pet care and adopting animals from the Humane Society. In return, the students presented Mrs. Harris with dog and cat treats, dog and cat toys, collars, and leashes for the dogs and cats of the Humane Society.



Pictured: Fourth grade student Rhodes Walker and his dog Ady

Morgan Wesson selected to Attend HOBY Conference

Morgan Wesson, 10th grade Gulfport High student was selected to attend the Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership Conference in Jackson, May 2009. HOBY is a leadership conference for 10th grade students who demonstrate leadership potential. The conference is designed for students to learn how to be better leaders in their schools and communities. The students will interact with business, educational, and governmental leaders across the state. They will also be challenged by captivating speakers to make positive choices in their lives. These students are chosen based on their leadership ability and involvement in the community. Students selected to attend this conference are outstanding students who participate in community and school activities.

