



Inside Your Anson County Schools

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Letter from the Superintendent

Anson County Students, Parents, and Community Members:

On behalf of the Anson County Board of Education and all ACS staff members I would like to extend greetings as we begin the 2019-20 school year. I want to thank those of you who have been involved in helping a child or several children learn during the summer months and previous years. Our children were offered many learning opportunities during the summer months from ACS sponsored programs. Additionally, children have benefited from programs provided by other agencies, faith based groups and business programs. Each of you play a vital role in the success of our community, schools and each child served by ACS.

Our staff has continued working throughout the summer as we prepare to open each school. We are set and ready to provide each child enrolled in our schools a solid education. We are fortunate to have added several new teachers who have decided to begin or continue their educational careers by serving children in Anson County. We also have a large number of veteran staff members who have agreed to return to ACS and continue with their commitment of serving as an educator in Anson County.

Our journey of collaborating as a team will be continuous and exciting. We will be available to provide support and guidance to you ensuring that each ACS student has the opportunity to learn while acquiring skills and knowledge necessary to become successful and responsible citizens. Learning opportunities need to be valued, as one would accept a treasured gift. Teachers and other ACS staff will be prepared to present the gift of learning to our students based on research proven practices and well-planned lessons that appropriately engage students. When students accept the gift of learning, they will have this special gift forever.

Support from every community member will ensure that our students experience learning and internalize knowledge one lesson at the time. Community members can support us by being an encourager for each student, reading with a child, listening to a student read, providing resources such as supplies, and volunteer tutoring. We are all teachers; we should accept the responsibility of educating our children as they prepare to be in the workforce and leaders in our world.

As North Carolina continues to face difficult budget challenges, we must remain strong and steady as educators and community members to provide our children with a bright future that can occur because of learning. Anyone can promote a negative outlook – yet, those with wisdom and strong character can always find the positive in challenging times. We will focus on the positive so our children will benefit as we move forward.

Sincerely, Michael H. Freeman, Ed.S.

Upcoming Board of Education Meeting Dates

All Regular Meetings (with the exception of the December meeting, the Annual Budget Development Workshop in April, and the June meeting) will begin at 4:30 p.m. with Closed Session immediately following the opening of the meeting. Open Session should begin about 5:30 p.m.

(Any changes in time will be posted on the Anson County Schools website and will be posted on the doors at the Board of Education District Office.)

Meetings will be held at the Board of Education Office, which is located on 320 Camden Road in Wadesboro unless otherwise noted.

- August 26, 2019
- September 30, 2019
- October 28, 2019
- November 25, 2019
- December 16, 2019
*Open Session begins at 3:30 p.m.
 Closed Session begins at 3:45 p.m.
 Open Session begins at 4:30 p.m.*
- January 27, 2020
- February 24, 2020
- March 30, 2020
- April 7, 2020
*Budget Development Workshop 3:30-5:30 p.m.
 (Additional dates to be determined if needed.)*
- April 27, 2020
Regular meeting
- May 18, 2020
- June 25, 2020
*Open Session begins at 3:30 p.m.
 Closed Session begins at 3:45 p.m.
 Open Session begins at 4:30 p.m.*

Upcoming School Events & Activities

ANSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

- 8/22 BETA Club Parent Meeting w/current members' parents
- 8/29 Back to school Dance 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- 9/9 PTO Meeting at 5:30 p.m.
- 9/10 Fall Picture Day
- 9/10 Fall Sports Dance 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- 10/7 PTO Meeting at 5:30 p.m.
- 11/4 PTO Meeting at 5:30 p.m.
- 11/21 BETA Club Induction for 6th and 7th grade
- 12/2 PTO Meeting at 5:30 p.m.
- 12/5 Night of Excellence 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

ANSONVILLE ELEMENTARY

- 8/8 Open House 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- 9/3 Title 1 Open Meeting 6:00 p.m.
- 9/23 Reading Night 6:00 p.m.
- 10/4 Fall Pictures
- 10/25 Fall Festival 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

LILESVILLE ELEMENTARY

- 8/8 Open House
- 9/2 Labor Day Holiday
- 9/17 Title I Reading Night
- 10/25 Fall Festival

PEACHLAND-POLKTON ELEMENTARY

- 8/8 Open House 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- 8/15 Cub Scouts Recruitment @ 6:30 p.m.
- 9/3 PTO Curriculum Night
- 9/18 Fall Picture Day
- 9/19 Early release for students at 12:30 p.m.
- 9/19 Parent/Teacher Conferences from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- 9/28 Early release for students at 12:30 p.m. (Staff Professional Development)

WADESBORO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- 8/8 Open House 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- 8/12 First Day of School
- 8/22 Title 1 Night 5:30-7:00 (drop in) Parent info night
- 9/5 Grits for Grands 7:00 a.m. media center
- 9/5 Fall Picture Day
- 9/19 Early Release for Students at 12:30 p.m.
- 9/19 Parent Teacher Conferences 1:00-6:00 p.m.
- 10/2 Fall Picture Make Up Day
- 10/23 Report Card Release
- 10/24 Title 1 Night

WADESBORO PRIMARY SCHOOL

- 8/8 Open House 2:00-6:00 PM
- 8/30 Fall Individual Pictures
- 9/7 Grandparent Day – 7:30 AM
- 9/11 9/11 Remembrance Day/First Responders Celebration
- 9/11 1st Mid Term Progress Report Release
- 9/12 PTA Meeting – 6:30 PM
- 9/19 Elementary Early Release Day
- 9/19 Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences 1:00 – 6:00 PM
- 10/3 Make Up for Fall Individual Pictures
- 10/11 1st Qtr Terrific Kids – 7:30 AM
- 10/11 End of 1st Marking Period
- 10/16 1st Qtr PBIS Celebration – PM K-1 (No Specials)
- 10/18 1st Qtr PBIS Celebration – PM 2-3 (No Specials)
- 10/21-22 Optional Teacher Work Day/Non Student Day
- 10/23 1st Qtr Report Card Release
- 10/30 Early Release Day/Staff PD
- 10/31 Trunk or Treat – 5:30 PM
- 11/14 PTA Meeting – 6:30 PM
- 11/15 2nd Mid Term Progress Report Release
- 12/12 PTA Meeting/Christmas Program – 6:30 PM
- 12/13 2nd Qtr Terrific Kids – 7:30 AM
- 12/20 End of 2nd Marking Period



This message is from Anson County Schools Superintendent Michael Freeman:

My office continues to discover situations where agencies and/or individuals are soliciting funds on behalf of Anson County Schools (ACS) without proper approval. Recently, a number of local businesses and faith-based agencies have reported attempts for funds to be donated to ACS to support various student projects. Some of the companies soliciting funds have not been approved by my office nor any school-based administrator.

This communication is to caution anyone who is approached by individuals, businesses, or agencies soliciting funds for any ACS need; you should investigate this matter to make sure the donations are truly being solicited for the benefit of children enrolled in Anson County Schools.

My office will now research any company, agency, or individual soliciting funds. You may call our office at 704-694-4417 to verify if funds being solicited for ACS have been legally approved based on board policy. You may also email Mrs. Anne Hyatt at hyatt.anne@anson.k12.nc.us or Michael Freeman at freeman.michael@anson.k12.nc.us.

2019 Youth Football Camp Hosted by Stephone Anthony

Stephone Anthony and his NFL friends, along with partner organizations (Anson County Schools and HOLLA!) facilitated a one-day youth football camp on Saturday, July 13 at the Anson High School Practice Facility. Around 100 youth campers ranging from ages 7-14 participated from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. All skill levels were welcome. The camp was free of charge to all who registered.

Anthony, Carlos Watkins (Houston Texans NFL Athlete), local coaches and Anson High School senior football players provided the experience of a real training camp to young participants. Participants learned from on-the-field instruction, and campers broke into groups according to age to learn the fundamentals and proper techniques specific to each position.

Campers also had the opportunity to hear motivational remarks from Anthony about the importance of working hard on the field and in the classroom, respect, integrity, and having good character.



Stephone Anthony is now a local football celebrity due to his success at Clemson and as an NFL Linebacker. In 2015 Anthony was drafted in the first round by the New Orleans Saints. Since then he has played for the Saints, the Miami Dolphins, and was recently signed to play for the Atlanta Falcons.

“We are thrilled our local youth were able to experience this camp with Stephone and his NFL friends,” stated Michael Freeman, Superintendent of Anson County Schools. “The team of organizers (many of which were Anthony’s high school classmates, including Jonathan Hough, Matt McLeod, Jamarcus Tillman, Diondre Pratt, Jamaar Marshall and Danny Bailey) did a fabulous job organizing and assisting with the camp.”

Hough commented, “I would just like to thank the parents/guardians for getting their kids registered. I would also like to thank HOLLA! and Anson County Schools for their partnership in making this event a success. It’s always great working with those organizations, and we look forward to next year’s camp!”

At the conclusion of the camp participants received an autograph from Anthony and Carlos Watkins (Clemson Alumni/Houston Texans NFL Athlete). Next year’s 2020 camp information will be shared at a later date.

