



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 2018-19 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 have been provided 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 on August 27, 2018. 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 partnering as a team will be continuous and exciting. My staff and I 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 should be embraced 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 is needed to 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 tutoring a child. We are all teachers, so let's 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 be attained as a result 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, located on 320 Camden Road in Wadesboro unless otherwise noted.

- August 27, 2018
- September 24, 2018
- October 29, 2018
- November 19, 2018
- December 17, 2018
*Open Session begins at 3:30 p.m.
Closed Session begins at 4:35 p.m.*
- January 28, 2019
- February 25, 2019
- March 25, 2019
- April 9, 2019
*Budget Development Workshop 3:30-5:30 p.m.
(Determined if needed.)*
- April 29, 2019
Regular meeting
- May 20, 2019
- June 27, 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.*

Upcoming School Events & Activities

ANSON ACADEMY

- 8/23 Open House from 9:00 to 11:00 am & 4:00 to 6:00 pm
- 10/4 Parent/Teacher Conferences from 2:00 – 7:00 pm
- 10/8 Underclass Pictures/Senior Class Pictures/Individuals & Seniors
- 10/22-11/16 Annual Canned Food Drive

ANSON EARLY COLLEGE

- 8/8 College textbook pick-up at ACEC for Seniors & Super Seniors, 10:00 am-1:00 pm
- 8/9 College textbook pick-up at ACEC for Juniors, 10:00 am-1:00 pm
- 8/10 College textbook pick-up at ACEC for Sophomores, 10:00 am-1:00 pm
- 8/13 College classes start for Fall Semester
- 8/16 9th Grade Student & Parent Orientation at ACEC, 5:00 pm
- 8/23 Open House from 9:00 to 11:00 am & 4:00 to 6:00 pm
- 9/7 College visit to UNC-Pembroke for Super Seniors and Juniors
- 9/14 PTO Meeting, 5:00 pm
- 9/14 College Placement Test for 10th-Super Seniors
- 9/28 College visit to NC State for Seniors and Super Seniors
- 10/4 Parent/Teacher Conferences from 2:00 – 7:00 pm
- 11/7 College Placement Test for 9th Grade
- 11/14 College Placement Test for 9th Grade

ANSON HIGH SCHOOL

- 8/6-9 Summer Institute – Upcoming Freshmen, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm at AHS
- 8/13-16 Summer Institute – Upcoming Freshmen, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm at AHS
- 8/6-9 Band Camp, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm at AHS
- 8/13-16 Band Camp, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm at AHS
- 8/23 Open House from 9:00 to 11:00 am & 4:00 to 6:00 pm
- 9/18 Fall Pictures
- 10/4 Parent/Teacher Conferences from 2:00 – 7:00 pm
- 10/19 Fall Pictures Make-Up

ANSON MIDDLE

- 8/23 Open House from 9:00 to 11:00 am & 4:00 to 6:00 pm
- 9/7 Back-to-School Bash
- 10/4 Parent/Teacher Conferences from 2:00 – 7:00 pm
- 11/16 Athletic Dance

LILESVILLE ELEMENTARY

- 8/23 Open House 2:00 – 6:00 pm
- 9/21 PBIS Incentive – Water Activities
- 10/2 Fall Individual Pictures
- 10/2 Title 1 Parent Advisory & PTO Officer Monthly Meeting, 7:15 am
- 10/4 Parent/Teacher Conferences from 1:00-6:00 pm
- 10/19 Fall Festival of Reading, 6:00-8:00 pm
- 11/06 Title 1 Parent Advisory & PTO Officer Monthly Meeting, 7:15 am

ANSONVILLE ELEMENTARY

- 08/23 Open House 2:00-6:00 pm
- 10/4 Parent/Teacher Conferences from 1:00-6:00 pm
- 10/5 Fall Pictures

MORVEN ELEMENTARY

- 8/23 Open House 2:00-6:00 pm
- 9/4 Boy Scout Meeting, 1:15 pm
- 9/8 Grits for Granny
- 9/18 School Mobile Pantry
- 9/27 Girl Scouts Recruiter
- 10/4 Parent/Teacher Conferences from 1:00-6:00 pm
- 10/5 Fall Pictures
- 10/18 Fall Pictures
- 10/29-11/2 Book Fair
- 10/31 Trunk-or-Treat
- 11/9 Veterans' Day Assembly
- 11/16 Make-Up Pictures

PEACHLAND-POLKTON ELEMENTARY

- 8/23 Open House 2:00-6:00 pm
- 9/11 PTO/Curriculum Night/Title I Information, 6:00 pm
- 10/4 Parent/Teacher Conferences from 1:00-6:00 pm
- 10/16 PTO/Terrific Kids Program #1, 6:00 pm
- 10/25 Media Night, 3:00-7:00 pm
- 11/15 Media Night, 3:00-7:00 pm

WADESBORO ELEMENTARY

- 8/23 Open House 2:00-6:00 pm
- 9/5 Fall Pictures
- 9/7 Grits for Grands, 7:00 am
- 9/28 Fall Festival, 5:00-8:00 pm (Tentative)
- 10/1 Book Fair
- 10/2 Fall Make-Up Pictures
- 10/4 Parent/Teacher Conferences from 1:00-6:00 pm
- 10/10 Fall Picture Retake
- 11/05 PTO Meeting, 6:00 pm

WADESBORO PRIMARY

- 8/23 Open House 2:00-6:00 pm
- 9/6 Individual Picture Day
- 9/7 Grandparents Day
- 9/11 Patriot/9-11 Day
- 9/11 Parent Advisory Council 6:00-6:30 pm
- 9/11 PTO Meeting, 6:30-7:30 pm
- 10/4 Parent/Teacher Conferences from 1:00-6:00 pm
- 10/9 Parent Advisory Council 6:00-6:30 pm
- 10/9 PTO Meeting 6:30 – 7:30 pm
- 10/17 Picture Make-Up Day
- 10/23-10/31 Red Ribbon Celebration

2018 Youth Football Camp Hosted by Stephone Anthony

Stephone Anthony and a few of his NFL friends along with partner organizations (Anson County Schools and Holla!) facilitated a one day youth football camp on Friday, July 13 at the Anson High School Stadium. Around 100 youth campers ranging from ages 7-14 participated from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. All skill levels were welcome. The camp was free of charge to all who registered.

Anthony, along with the other NFL athletes, 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 currently in the NFL where he plays for the Miami Dolphins. In 2015 he was drafted in the first round by the New Orleans Saints. Since then he has played for the Saints and the Dolphins.

"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 whom were Anthony's high school classmates, including Jonathan Hough and Matt McLeod, 2011 AHS Graduates) did a fabulous job organizing the camp. Hough commented, "We were pleased with the participation and outcome of the camp, and we are looking forward to improving the camp for next year to help prepare our youth for success at any level."

At the conclusion of the camp participants received an autograph and photo opportunity with Anthony. In the picture at left, Stephone presented his NFL Draft Jersey to Mr. Michael Freeman, Superintendent of Schools, as a token of his appreciation to his alma mater and those who helped him along the way during his elementary, middle and high school years with Anson County Schools. Next year's 2019 camp information will be shared at a later date.

