

Canton Public School District

Tiger Talk



CONGRATULATIONS! THE CANTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT IS RATED

SUCCESSFUL



Aug/Sept/Oct 2011

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SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

I cannot fully express how pleased I am of the results of the hard work by our teachers, students, administrators, parents, and the community. Working together we have achieved a

"Successful" rating from the Mississippi Department of Education.

I thank our School Board of Trustees for their support and leadership.

This is just the beginning ...imagine the possibilities of what this district can achieve if we continue to join forces and keep striving for excellence. If we continue coming together for one goal, one vision, one mission our students and our community will be the winners.



Dwight J. Luckett, Ed. S.

I thank our business and community leaders who have already joined forces with the district by offering hope, opportunity, and inspiration to our youth. I say thank you for mentoring, tutoring, offering financial support, or general support to our schools. This goes a long way in developing our students and creating a stronger, more productive community. I encourage others to get onboard and stay onboard as we climb even higher in our pursuit for excellence. Let us continue working together to accomplish our mission.

Dwight J. Luckett
Superintendent
"Working Together Works"

SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES Leading the Way to A Brighter Future



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"It is not
wanting to win
that makes you
a winner; it is
refusing to
fail."
Kristi



Leigh Michael Pace Chairman

The Canton Public School Board of Trustees
Congratulates teachers, students, administrators, and
parents for achieving the district's "Successful"
Rating."Working Together Works!"
Let's focus on another successful school year as we
strive for greater academic success for our students.

The highest reward for a person's toil is not what they get for it, but what they become by it. John Ruskin

District Rated Successful



The State Department of Education Rates Canton Public School District Successful

The Canton Public School District is excited to announce the District has been rated "Successful", this, after continuous hard work to increase student achievement and parental involvement and improve the climate and culture to ensure our schools have a more conducive learning environment. The Overall State Accountability Label issued by the Mississippi Department of Education, no longer rates the District "At Risk of Failing". The "Successful" rating shows the District's steady growth as school leaders continue striving to move the district to high performing and star status. School Superintendent Dwight Luckett, Sr. says, "Accomplishing this milestone has not been an easy feat, but it is clearly evident that when administrators, teachers, parents, and the community work together it truly works to improve the entire system and propel our students to reach the greatness within them. We still have a long way to go to achieve our full potential as a District, but this inspires us to keep striving for excellence." "I am encouraged that Canton High School has improved to "Academic Watch". We saw our greatest improvement with Nichols Middle School being labeled "Successful". This shows how hard our teachers, administrators, and Central Office leaders have worked to first move Nichols out of school improvement status, then overcome the at "Risk of Failing" label to now be rated as "Successful". However, while we have made some incredible gains, we know we must continue to intensify our efforts to keep improving our students' academic performance", says Luckett. Canton Elementary maintained its "Academic Watch" rating, while Canton School of Arts & Sciences went from "At Risk of Failing" to being labeled "Low Performing." "We are looking at data and have devised a plan of action to strengthen areas of weakness. We are putting forth all our efforts to provide quality personnel and other resources needed to improve in these areas.

Overall, we are pleased the District is moving in the right direction. With time and intense, focused efforts we will improve all of our schools and ensure our students can compete globally.

Again, congratulations to our students, teachers, and administrators for their outstanding academic success," says Luckett.

Mississippi Department of Education Accountability Labels:

Star
High Performing
Successful
Academic Watch
Low Performing
At Risk of Failing
Failing

DISTRICT		LABEL
	2009-10	2010-11
Canton Public School District	At Risk of Failing	Successful
SCHOOLS		LABEL
Canton High School	Failing	Academic Watch
Nichols Middle School	At Risk of Failing	Successful
Canton Elementary	Academic Watch	Academic Watch
Canton School of Arts & Sciences	At Risk of Failing	Low Performing



Test Score Analysis by Cassandra Williams, Assistant Superintendent The district has continued to show steady improvement in student achievement.

CANTON HIGH SCHOOL

At Canton High School in *U.S. History*, there was major improvement with double digit increases in the number of students scoring proficient and advanced.

In *Algebra*, the number of students proficient and advanced increased significantly and the percent passing increased significantly.

In English II, students showed significant gains but not as significant as U.S. History and Algebra.

I attribute that to the need to really work on the literacy level of our students because of the rigorous reading level required to master the English II test.

I attribute increased student achievement at CHS to an intense focus on job-embedded professional development for our teachers and using data to make instructional decisions. We also provided intense remediation for our students.

Algebra

Percentage Passing 2009-10 **2010-11** 44% **76%**

U.S. History

Percentage Passing 2009-10 **2010-11** 80.5 % **89%**

Biology I

Percentage Passing 2009-10 **2010-11** 49% **18.2%**

English II Multiple Choice

Percentage Passing 2009-10 **2010-11** 38.2% **46%**

NICHOLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

At Nichols Middle School students showed double digit improvement in **Seventh Grade Language Arts** scores over last year in the number of students scoring proficient and advanced.

8th and 6th Grade Language Arts scores showed improvement over last year in the number of students scoring proficient and advanced.

6th Grade Math and Language Arts scores still need more improvement; however students showed growth over the previous year.

In 7th Grade Math 73% of students scored proficient & advanced. That was a significant increase from last year.

In 8th Grade Math 60% of students scored proficient and advanced. That was a significant increase over last year.

I attribute the improvements in our student scores at Nichols Middle School to intense professional development for our Math teachers, more teacher collaboration with lesson plans, assessment development, and refined data analysis processes.

6TH Grade

Language Arts

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 20% 35%

Math

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 17% 40%

ARTS & SCIENCES

4TH **Grade Math** remained steady in the number of students scoring proficient and advanced.

We had intense professional development and teacher & principal coaching throughout the year. We were disappointed that we didn't show more improvement; nevertheless, we are intensifying our efforts with more effective classroom instruction and welcome more parental involvement as we work to shore up our areas of weakness.

Plan of Action:

- · Updated the District-Wide Lesson Planning Protocol
 - · Including common lesson planning
 - Revised lesson planning format explicitly addresses instructional delivery
- · Updated District Assessment Procedures
 - · Added Benchmark Common Midterm Assessments
 - · Continued with End-of- Term and End-of-Semester Assessments
- · Focused and Data-Driven Professional Development in Reading/Language Arts and Mathematics
- Ongoing focus on the essential components of reading instruction with a strong emphasis on reading comprehension.

Cassandra Williams/Assistant Superintendent--- "By focusing on both student and teacher performance with a data-driven approach, we expect to see consistent gains in student performance. We will continue our efforts by

targeting best instructional practices for teaching and learning."

3rd Grade

Language Arts

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 34% 44%

Math

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 44% 47%

4Th Grade

Language Arts

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 33% 40%

Math

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 40% 40%

5th Grade

Language Arts

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 54% 28%

Math

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 51% 24%

7Th Grade

Language Arts

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 35% 52%

Math

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 52% 73%

8th Grade

Language Arts

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 27% 39%

Math

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 45% 60%

Canton Elementary

5th Grade significantly increased in the number of students scoring proficient and advanced in

Language Arts

5th Grade Math increased in the number of students scoring proficient and advanced

We had intense professional development and teacher & principal coaching throughout the year. We were disappointed that we didn't show more improvement; nevertheless, we are intensifying our efforts with more effective classroom instruction and welcome more parental involvement as we work to shore up our areas of weakness.

We are requesting parents bring students to school on time and do not check them out early to maximize instructional time.

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Dorothy Smith, former Canton Elementary School Principal says, "Canton Elementary School continues to 'Prance Toward Extraordinary Distinction' with a slight decrease on the MCT2 assessment. To address this momentous challenge of overall student achievement, the focus will be on analyzing and redirecting with innovative and instructional strategies. The students, educators and staff have embraced this important challenge as an opportunity to build upon current experiences and develop a true triumphant environment of successful learning...This shall ultimately improve reading, math, social studies, science and self empowerment ... SUCCESS IS INEVITABLE WITH TEAM EFFORT!!!" (Smith is currently the Principal at Canton School of Arts& Sciences)

3rd Grade

Language Arts

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 61% 38%

Math

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 60% 46%

4Th Grade

Language Arts

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 54% 33%

Math

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 64% 50%

5th Grade

Language Arts

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 45% 53%

Math

Percentage Proficient & Advanced

2009-10 2010-11 44% 49%

CANTON SCHOOL OF

Back to the Books







Students, faculty, and staff, gear up to have a great school year.
They know that "Working Together Works"!







One Vision, One Goal, One Mission....transforming lives, while building futures...imagine the possibilities!













Back to School Extravaganza































2011 Convocation Highlights/Back to School Extravaganza































Nichols Renovations Underway



Nichols Middle School Renovation Project

The renovations at Nichols Middle School are moving along smoothly. They have not hampered our students from attending classes. The Superintendent's Office worked closely with the architects, contractors, and site administrators of Nichols Middle School to ensure the campus was conducive to the teaching and learning process and safe to receive our students on Monday, August 8, 2011.

Leaders apologized for the inconvenience but informed students and parents that construction will be completed in two phases.

Phase 1 of the project was slated for completion by August 8, 2011. This phase encompassed: new student bathrooms, new classroom doors, new canopy and sidewalk connecting the southwest building to the gymnasium, new south and west parking lots and drive, new stucco to the north side of the gymnasium, new motorized basketball

goals in the gymnasium, new halls and canopy to the cafeteria from the north and west sides of the main building, new communications' hub room and technology classroom and new water and sewer infrastructure. The exterior water and sewer infrastructure was also updated.

Phase 2 of the project is slated for completion by February 15, 2012. This phase encompasses: the construction of a new administrative addition, library and computer center, new east parking lot and drive, new locker room addition, and new masonry sidewalk and canopy along the east side of the existing building.

Superintendent Dwight Luckett, Sr. says, "I believe that we will be very pleased with the results when the project is complete."



Construction Underway on New Schools



















Canton Public School leaders are excited as they hold groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Jimmie Goodloe Elementary School and the Huey Porter Middle School. The new state-of-the-art facilities span over 121,000 square feet. The financially sound and fiscally responsible district was able to construct the approximately \$17.4 million dollar schools without asking tax-payers for funding through a bond issue or other tax raising measures. The schools will be located on the corner of Hwy 43 and Finney Road. The two schools, which will house students kindergarten through eighth grade, are a combined design that allows each school to operate independently from each other and utilize common spaces. The schools will have over 50 classroom spaces, a full gym with a stage in the middle school and a separate physical education space for the elementary school. The building has a large cafeteria and large media center and two large computer rooms. The building is designed with a classical contemporary style with a grand colonnade of red brick and stone centered with a temple front. The architects are Michael Jones and Gary Bailey of the Eley Guild Hardy and Dale Bailey architectural firms. The general contractor is Flagstar Construction who has hired local subcontractors to assist in the project. The completion date is slated for November 2012. School leaders say they are elated to see their vision move forward to ease overcrowding and provide updated facilities to enhance the learning environment for students.



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Canton Public School District, with full participation of parents and the total community, is to enable all students to become analytical thinkers, self-directed lifelong learners and effective communicators who are prepared to continue their education and /or to enter the global workplace and to participate in society as responsible citizens.

OUR VISION

Children are our greatest asset and value. It is the responsibility of the parents, school and the community to serve as a perpetual bridge for the development of our children's character and the enhancement of their ability to master data, interpret knowledge, and apply the practical principles of their mastery.

BELIEF STATEMENTS

- All children can learn, but at different rates and in different ways. Students must be actively involved in the learning process.
- Education is a community effort.

It is the responsibility of the parents, the community and the schools to be active participants in nurturing and educating our youth.

• Family is a powerful influence on both children and the community.

Parents must be informed about and involved in the education of their children.

Self-respect and self worth are essential to success.

The schools are the vehicles for students to develop the positive attitudes and goals that lead to a sense of motivation and self worth.

• High expectations for our children will produce higher achievement.

The schools provide the environment to model and reinforce higher goals for students.

• Working together it is possible to change negative perceptions and environmental factors that affect student learning.

Civic organizations, businesses, churches, news media, and the schools must become active partners in change.

CANTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT



2011 DISTRICT GOALS 2012

- Increase Student Achievement
- Encourage Parent and Community
 Engagement
- Remain Financially Stable

School – Wide Goals

- Produce a conducive climate and culture in our schools that ensures success
- Focus on the highest level of teaching and learning
- Increase student achievement and academic performance at the highest level possible
- Decrease dropout rate and increase parental involvement
- Increase graduation rate

Canton Public School District Grading Report Periods 2011-2012

First Nine Weeks

Progress Reports September 15, 2011

Nine-Week Exams October 4-7, 2011

Term Ends October 7, 2011

Report Cards October 13, 2011

Second Nine Weeks

Progress Reports November 17, 2011

Semester Exams for CHS/Nine-Week Exams December 13-16, 2011

Term Ends December 16, 2011

Report Cards January 17, 2012

Third Nine Weeks

Progress Reports February 9, 2012

Nine-Week Exams March 5-9, 2012

Term Ends March 9, 2012

Report Cards March 23, 2012

Fourth Nine Weeks

Progress Reports April 20, 2012

Senior Exams May 7-11, 2012

Final Exams May 17-24, 2012

Term Ends May 24, 2012

Report Cards On or before June 7, 2012

CPSD 2011-2012 School Calendar

New Teacher Orientation	August 2-3, 2011
First Day for Teachers/Convocation/½ Day Building Level Principal Meeting	August 4, 2011
District Professional Development Day	August 5, 2011
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Labor Day Holiday Schools/Central Office Closed	September 5, 2011
SATP English II Writing Retest	September 14-15, 2011
SATP Retests	September 19-23, 2011
First Term Ends (44 days)	October 7, 2011
Parent /Teacher Conference Day /Report Cards Issued (No Students)	October 13, 2011
Professional Development Day (No Students)	October 14, 2011
Thanksgiving (Schools Closed; 12-month employees off Wed. – Fri.)	November 21 - 25, 2011
SATP Writing Retest	December 1-2, 2011
SATP Retests	December 5-9, 2011
Last Day for Students (60% Day for Students)	December 16, 2011
Second Term Ends (43 days)	December 17, 2011
Christmas Holiday (Schools Closed; 12-month employees on duty)	Dec. 19, 2011 – Jan. 2, 2012
Students/Teachers Return to School	Tuesday, January 3, 2012
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Schools/Central Office Closed)	January 16, 2012
Parent / Teacher Conference Day/Report Cards Issued (No Students)	January 17, 2012
Professional Development Day (No Students)	February 20, 2012
Writing Assessment (Grades 4 & 7)	March 1-2, 2012
Third Term Ends (46 days)	Friday, March 9, 2012
Spring Break	March 12 – 16, 2012
Report Cards Issued	March 23, 2012
SATP2 English II Writing Test & Retest	March 21-22, 2012
SATP Retests	March 26-29, 2012
WIDA Access Administration for ELL Students	April 2-30, 2012
Easter Holiday	April 6, 2012
Inclement Weather Day (or Easter Holiday)	April 9, 2012
MS-CPAS2 Administration	April 9-27, 2012
SATP Primary Administration	May 1- 4, 2012
MS Science Test (Grades 5 & 8)	May 1- 2, 2012
Advanced Placement (AP) Exams	May 2012, TBA
MS Curriculum Test (MCT2)	May 8-10, 2012
Graduation	May 19, 2012
Last Day for Students (60% Day for Students)	May 24, 2012
Fourth Term Ends (47 days)	May 24, 2012
Teacher Workday/Last Day for Teachers	May 25, 2012

Nissan/BankPlus Awards CPSD more than \$44,000

NISSAN



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CANTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



NICHOLS MIDDLE SCHOOL



CANTON SCHOOL OF ARTS & SCIENCES



McNEAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



CANTON HIGH SCHOOL



CANTON CAREER CENTER

Enriching the Lives of Our Students



Canton Public School District is awarded more than \$44,000 in Nissan/BankPlus Education Mini-grants

The district salutes its supportive community partners for helping enrich the lives of its students. Dan Bednarzyk , Vice President of Manufacturing at the Nissan-Canton North America Plant and BankPlus Representatives presented Canton Public School Teachers with a check totaling \$44,505.83.Officials awarded the district 40 mini-grants to support innovative teaching and learning projects that teachers created to enhance and enrich students' academic performance. The grants cover everything from reading and math to science and health projects to enhance student achievement. Superintendent Dwight Luckett thanks Nissan, BankPlus and the Community Foundation of Greater Jackson for selecting these deserving educational projects that met their criteria to support the district's educational curricula in grades K-12. Nissan also held a reception to honor the winning teachers.

Nissan/BankPlus Education Mini-Grant Winners

McNeal Elementary-6 gra	ants awarded	
Project Perfect	\$1,482.00	Kimberly Brown, Charlotte Luckett
Race To Fitness	\$1,495.07	Tara Smith
The Core Essentials of Reading	\$1,236.55	DeVaughan Smith
Character Counts	\$1,485.83	Alphia Myers
Kids Edibles Garden	\$1,000.64	Roberta Dowell
With Reading As A Guide	\$1,254.54	Cartessia Angrum
Canton Elementary-10 gra	nts awarded	
Scientifically Sound	\$1,481.62	Shannon Whitehead
Amazing Lifestyle	\$1,131.61	Frankie Woods
Don't Judge A Book By Its Cover	\$1,446.93	April Wallis
Rocking and Rolling	\$1,405.19	Shannon Whitehead
Reading To Infinity	\$1,500.00	Lakesha Doyle
Renewable Energy	\$792.75	Louella Allen
I Feel the Earth Move Under My	Feet \$822.81	Freida Gilmer
Lights, Camera, Action	\$1,488.45	Lakesha Doyle
Mathematics 4 Lyfe	\$1,328.36	Tameka Crews
Manipulating Mathematical Mind	ls \$1,498.62	Carrice Sims
Canton Career Center –7 g	rants awarded	
CPR OK	\$440.00	Vanessa Bennett
Enhancing Girls & Boys Club	\$562.07	Ross Ables
Science Museum	\$597.85	Richard Austin
Watching the Best	\$135.68	Mack Robinson
DECA Dues	\$509.00	Kathy Warren
Job Shadowing	\$293.18	Ethel Mayberry
Literacy Power	\$1,500.00	Richard Austin
Canton High School – 4 gra	ants awarded	
Repairing Reading Deficit	\$587.48	Lisa Stanard
Give Me Some Feedback	\$1,440.00	Joseph Burgess, Alison Gilmore, Angela Boyd
KINDLE	\$1,499.29	Shelethia Bolton, Alison Gilmore, Angela Boyd
Picture of Success	\$1,422.57	Joseph Burgess
Canton Educational Service	es Center	
How To Get A Job	\$839.90	Tracy Summers
Canton School of Arts& Sc	iences– 6 grants a	awarded
Butterfly Haven	\$639.33	Quanteria Evans
Stepping to the Beat	\$1,417.18	Elaine Harden
We Plant. We Grow. We Eat.	\$837.92	Jessica O'Banner
Young Einsteins	\$1,498.75	Henry Doyle
Go The Distance	\$995.00	Laura Ellis
Hot Shots	\$911.46	Gabrielle Holmes

Nissan/BankPlus Education Mini-Grant Winners

Nichols Middle School-6 grants awarded

Extra, Extra Read All About It \$299.99 Shaundraya Pride

SPARK \$1,402.80 Jessica Johnson, Leandra King, Ashley McGee

See It To Believe It \$1,446.81 LaTanya Sanders, Cristal Holmes

Green House \$1,500.00 Brian Quick

LIVE \$1,499.75 Lenither Williams, Rieka Loggins

Unusual Methods for Unusual Kids \$1,378.85 Victoria Branson















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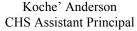
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W.K. Luckett, Jr. Director

New Assistant Principals







Furlinda Travis CHS Assistant Principal

We are excited to join the Canton High School Tigers team to ensure that students receive a quality education while being guided and nurtured as they strive for excellence. Our goal is to assist Principal Shirley Sanders in executing strategies aimed at making sure our students graduate and are prepared to compete with anyone in the world. We are committed, dedicated, and truly concerned about im-

proving the lives of the students we serve. We know that working together we can achieve the district's goals and mission for ensuring academic success of our students. We encourage parents to continue working with the school and the district to propel our students to greater success. Let's continue working together to have an outstanding school year!



Shannon Whitehead CES Assistant Principal

Welcome to another new and exciting year at Canton Elementary School, where we continue to Prance toward Extraordinary Distinction! I am extremely pleased and motivated to serve as assistant principal for the 2011-2012 school term. It is our mission to be accountable for providing a globally competitive education that empowers students to achieve academic and personal goals and become productive, responsible citizens. Together, we will fulfill our mission!

As educators, our goal is to supply every child with the tools he or she may need to succeed. These tools consist of caring teachers, challenging educational experiences, and a love of learning. However, it takes the combined efforts of both a school and a home to succeed in educating a child. There is no doubt that when home and school work together, we can make a difference in our children's education, and ultimately their lives. Let's all make the commitment to give our children our very best.

My vision for Canton Elementary School is for it to become a school that would be the module of exceptional learning and teaching. I am confident that we have students with the capabilities to soar and reach newer heights, educators that will be the wind beneath their wings, and parents that will boost confidence and esteem to ensure that nothing but the best is achieved. Let's all embrace this new school year with the confidence that we all will reach beyond what the eye can see and touch what has never been felt. Working together, this will be a rewarding, successful, and Star Status filled school year!

Shannon Whitehead

Assistant Principal

Canton School of Arts & Sciences







Canton School of Arts & Sciences administrators and teachers work hard to enhance learning and improve student achievement. Supportive PTA members help encourage more parents to get involved and work with educators to improve.



















Canton Elementary School









At CES' Open House school administrators talked to parents about how they can help their children have a successful school year. PTA leaders encouraged parents to stay involved and work with teachers to find out how they can improve their child's academic performance.



















Canton High School











At CHS' Open House Principal Sanders shared the good news about the school's improvement with parents and how they can continue to help increase students' academic performance. PTA members asked how they can assist the school and help students continue to improve. Administrators also shared important information about Subject Area Tests and meeting graduation requirements.



















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School Clinic	
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Grading Report Periods 2011-2012

First Nine Weeks

Progress Reports September 15, 2011

Nine-Week Exams October 4-7, 2011

Term Ends October 7, 2011

Report Cards October 13, 2011

Second Nine Weeks

Progress Reports November 17, 2011

Semester Exams for CHS/Nine-Week Exams December 13-16, 2011

Term Ends December 16, 2011

Report Cards January 17, 2012

Third Nine Weeks

Progress Reports February 9, 2012

Nine-Week Exams March 5-9, 2012

Term Ends March 9, 2012

Report Cards March 23, 2012

Fourth Nine Weeks

Progress Reports April 20, 2012

Senior Exams May 7-11, 2012

Final Exams May 17-24, 2012

Term Ends May 24, 2012

Report Cards On or before June 7, 2012

For ADA purposes, the exams and nine-week tests are scheduled on Wednesday – Friday the last three days of the term. This schedule ensures that students attend school on the last day of the term.



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District Testing Schedule School Year 2011-2012

Term 1 Schedule

Testing Date (s)	Assessments	Participants
August 10-12, 2011	District-Level Pre-Assessments	Grades 3-8 Language Arts Grades 3-8 Mathematics Grades 5 and 8 Science SATP Areas (Algebra I, Biology I, U.S. History, English II) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (Grades 6-8) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (High School)
	School-Level* Pre-Assessments	K-2 Language Arts K-2 Mathematics (Aimsweb)
September 6-9, 2011	District Midterm Assessments	Grades 3-8 Language Arts Grades 3-8 Mathematics Grades 5 and 8 Science SATP Areas (Algebra I, Biology I, U.S. History, English II) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (Grades 6-8) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (High School)
	School-Level* Midterm Assessments	K-2 Language Arts K-2 Mathematics (Teacher-made)
October 4-7, 2011	District First Nine Weeks Assessment	Grades 3-8 Language Arts Grades 3-8 Mathematics Grades 5 and 8 Science SATP Areas (Algebra I, Biology I, U.S. History, English II) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (Grades 6-8) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (High School)
October 4-7, 2011	School-Level* First Nine Weeks Assessments	K-2 Language Arts K-2 Mathematics (Teacher-made)

Term 2 Schedule

Testing Date	Assessments	Participants
(s)		
November 8-11, 2011	District Midterm Assessments	Grades 3-8 Language Arts Grades 3-8 Mathematics Grades 5 and 8 Science SATP Areas (Algebra I, Biology I, U.S. History, English II) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (Grades 6-8) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies
	School-Level* Midterm Assessments	(High School) K-2 Language Arts K-2 Mathematics (Teacher-made)
December 13-16, 2011	District First Semester Assessments	Grades 3-8 Language Arts Grades 3-8 Mathematics Grades 5 and 8 Science SATP Areas (Algebra I, Biology I, U.S. History, English II) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (Grades 6-8) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (High School)
	District-Level Semester Benchmark Assessments	K-2 Language Arts K-2 Mathematics (Case 21)

Term 3 Schedule

Testing Date	Assessments	Participants
(s)		
January 31- February 3, 2012	District Midterm Assessments	Grades 3-8 Language Arts Grades 3-8 Mathematics Grades 5 and 8 Science SATP Areas (Algebra I, Biology I, U.S. History, English II) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (Grades 6-8) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (High School)
	School-Level* Midterm Assessments	K-2 Language Arts K-2 Mathematics (Teacher-made)
March 5-9, 2012	District Mock MCT2 and SATP Assessments	Grades 3-8 Language Arts Grades 3-8 Mathematics Grades 5 and 8 Science SATP Areas (Algebra I, Biology I, U.S. History, English II) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (Grades 6-8) Intervention Courses/Learning Strategies (High School)
	School-Level* Third Nine Weeks Assessments	K-2 Language Arts K-2 Mathematics (Teacher-made)



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District Testing Schedule Continued School Year 2011-2012

Term 4 Schedule

Testing Date (s)	Assessments	Participants
April 16-20, 2012	Comprehensive Benchmark Assessment	K-2 Language Arts K-2 Mathematics (Case 21)
May 21-24, 2012	District Second Semester Assessments (Teacher-made)	All AREAS
	District-Level Post Assessments	K-2 Language Arts K-2 Mathematics (Aimsweb)

Canton Career Center







The Canton Career Center offers students a variety of award winning programs to build strong careers when they graduate. Students study everything from Business and Computer Technology to Health Science and Automotive Service Technology to Engineering and Robotics.

Nichols Middle School/CESC

Nichols Middle School administrators and teachers work hard to encourage students to stay focused on achieving their mission as they keep raising the bar on improving student's academic performance. At Open House administrators and teachers shared the good news of their "Successful" School Rating with parents. CESC students are also working hard to improve their skills as teachers work to help them achieve their goals.































McNeal Elementary School







McNeal Elementary School administrators and teachers encourage parents to stay involved to ensure their students have a successful school year. Students enjoy when their moms, dads, grandparents, or guardians share lunch with them. McNeal has an active PTA and hosts many events to encourage parental involvement. The McNeal Behavior Store is also a big hit with students. It encourages students to display good behavior and build strong character.



















Canton High School 2011-12 Football Schedule



Date	Opponent	Place	<u>Time</u>
August 19	Wingfield	Home	7:30
August 26	Velma Jackson	Home	7:30
September 2	Meridian	Home	7:30
September 9	Bailey	Away	7:30
September 16	OPEN		7:30
September 23	*Ridgeland	Home	7:30
September 30	*Yazoo City	Away	7:30
October 7	*Neshoba Central	Home	7:00
October 14	*Starkville	Away	7:00
October 21	*Callaway (HC)	Home	7:00
October 28	*Provine	Away	7:00
November 4	*Lanier	Home	7:00

(*) Denotes District Game (HC) indicates Homecoming

A. D./Head Coach: Peter Brown

Canton High School 2011-2012 Basketball Schedule



Date	Opponent	Place	
October 29	Jamboree		
November 5	Madison Central Classic	M. C.	
November 10	Provine	Away	
November 12	Velma Jackson (B)	Home	
November 17	Wingfield (B)	Home	
November 22	Vicksburg (B)	Home	
November 24	Callaway (Boys Only)	JSU	
November 25	Callaway (Girls Only)	JSU	
November 26	Tougaloo Classic (Boys Only)	Tougaloo	
November 28-29, Dec.	1-2Madison County Tournament	St. Joseph	
December 9	Yazoo City*** (B)	Away	
December 13	Starkville*** (B)	Home	
December 17, 19	Ridgeland Shootout	Ridgeland	
December 26-29	JPS Pepsi Tournament	Away	
January 3	Madison Central (B)	Away	
January 6	Yazoo City*** (B)	Home	
January 7	Velma Jackson (B)	Away	
January 10	Ridgeland (B)	Home	
January 13	Neshoba Central*** (B)	Away	
January 17	Jim Hill (B)	Away	
January 20	Starkville*** (B)	Away	
January 24	Murrah (B)	Home	
January 27	Neshoba Central*** (B)	Home	
January 31	Pearl (B)	Away	
February 3	Lanier	Home	
February 6-10	District 4-5A Tournament	N. C.	

All home varsity games will begin @ 6 p.m.

Head Girls Coach: Melissa Word
Girls Asst. Coach: Sandra McKinney
Girls Asst. Coach: Emmett Stevenson

Head Boys Coach: Melvin Gillum
Asst. Boys/Jr. Varsity: Chris Love
Asst. Boys/Jr. Varsity: Alonzo Lane

Athletic Director: Peter Brown

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^{*}Denotes district game

^{**}Denotes boys (B) junior varsity game that will begin @ 5 p.m.

^{***}Denotes district game and junior varsity game

Nichols Middle School Football Schedule 2011

Date	Opponent	Place	Time	Team
8/30	NE Madison	Away	5:30	8 th & JV
9/6	OPEN			
9/13	Old Towne	Away	5:00	7 th , 8 th , & JV
9/19	Yazoo County	Home	6:00	JV
9/20	OPEN			
9/26	Yazoo City	Home	5:00	7 th , 8 th , & JV
10/4	Germantown	Away	6:00	7 th & 8 th
10/11	McClain	Home	5:30	$8^{ ext{th}} \& \text{JV}$
10/18	Ridgeland	Home	6:00	JV
10/18	William Sullivan	Home	5:30	8^{th}

Nichols Middle School Basketball Schedule 2011-12

	Date (Opponent	<u>Place</u>	
October 31, November 2-3		ovember 2-3	Crystal Springs Tournament	Crystal Springs
	November 10	Olde Towne	Away	
	November 17	Yazoo City	Away	
	November 28	North Madison	Home	
	December 1	Germantown	Home	
	December 5	McClain	Home	
	December 8	Crystal Springs	Home	
	December 12	Olde Towne	Home	
	January 5	Yazoo City	Home	
	January 9	North Madison	Away	
	January 12	Germantown	Away	
	January 19	McClain	Away	
	January 23	OPEN Ja	nuary 30,	
February 1-2 Big Black Tournar			ament Olde Towne	

Game time: 5:30

	Slowpitch S	oftball S	chedule	e 20
Date	Opponent	Place	Time	
August 18	Velma Jackson	Home	4:00	
August 23	Velma Jackson	Away	4:00	
August 25	*Ridgeland (DH)	Home	5:00	
August 30	*Provine	Away	5:00	
September 1	*Lanier	Home	5:00	
September 6	*Yazoo City	Away	5:00	
September 8	*Callaway	Home	5:00	
September 15	*Provine	Home	5:00	
September 20	*Lanier	Away	5:00	
September 22	*Yazoo City	Home	5:00	
September 27	*Callaway	Away	5:00	
October 4	**1 st Round Playoffs	,		
October 8	**2 nd Round Playoff	S		
October 11	**North State Playoffs			
October 15	**State Finals			
Indicates District	et Cames ** Played only if to	am anal	ifies	

• Indicates District Games ** Played only if team qualifies

• Head Coach: Tara Sheriff Assistant Coach: Derrick Johnson



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Canton High School Volleyball Schedule 2011

Date	Opponent	Place	<u>Time</u>
August 15	Madison Central	Away	5:00
August 20	*Starkville/*Y. C.	Home	10:00/12:00
August 24	Velma Jackson	Away	4:00
September 7	*Callaway (DH)	Away	6:00
September 12	*Starkville	Away	5:30
September 14	Velma Jackson	Home	4:00
September 22	*Ridgeland (DH)	Home	5:00
September 29	*Yazoo City	Away	5:00
October 4	1st Round Playoffs	-	
October 8	2 nd Round Playoffs		
October 11	4 th Round Playoffs		
October 15	State Finals		

(DH) indicates Double Header(*) indicates District Match

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