

Hope-Hill Happenings

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CALENDAR

Fri., August 4

8:00 am - HHES Foundation Meeting via Zoom

Wed., August 9

7:00 pm - PTA Meeting via Zoom

Tue., August 22

5:30 pm - Open House/Curriculum Night

Additional events may be added. Be sure to check Thursday folders, as well as our website and social media, for calendar updates.

HOPE-HILL PTA



Meet the Principal

MS. KEISHA GIBBONS



MY GOALS

My vision for Hope-Hill is to nurture a community school mindset, where every child and adult feels valued and supported

I'm also committed to promoting a safe and caring environment where students are inspired and empowered; while receiving the necessary tools to be academically and emotionally successful human beings.

MY BACKGROUND

I've been an educator for 23 years(21 in APS) and hold a masters of science in curriculum and technology and a bachelors of arts in elementary education.

I've worked in elementary and middle schools as an AP for nine years and a principal for five

FUN FACTS

I migrated from Jamaica to the states at 14 years old. I enjoy traveling, visiting famous andmarks, indoor cycling, and spending time with my family and pet.

I love raw cashews, ginger teas, fresh flowers, live plants and Beyonce.

CONTACT INFORMATION





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John Hope - Charles Walter Hill Elementary School



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Recess- We will have outside recess when the temperature is below 95 We encourage all of our degrees. students to bring water bottles so they can stay hydrated. In the event the students forgets or does not have a water bottle, we will provide them water breaks when needed.

Car pool- Parents please be patient with us, we will be making a few safety modifications to car pool. Once these updates are completed we will send this information via multiple modalities. In the interim, we are asking parents to stay in designated areas. This helps teachers to properly supervise and account for students. Starting Friday, we will push back the parent staging area about 300 feet to allow for visibility and a clear separation of parents and students. With the uniqueness (the MLK center foot traffic) of our carpool location, we need to ensure we have a clear and safe process for parent pick up.

Safety and Drills- Our counselor-Mr. Robbins and social worker-Ms. McGee will be providing monthly classroom based lessons, this month's focus is safety. We will have our first fire drill within the next 10 days. We will send a robo call after the drill is completed, so you can talk to your child about the drill and answer any questions they may have. As a reference, please check out the APS safety and security website for parent friendly safety resources.

https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Page/69660











MEDIA MINUTES

Welcome to another fabulous school year at HHES library! Your children will visit the library once a week for read-alouds, guided reading instruction, checking-in and -out books, and collaborative participating in learning opportunities with their peers that promote a love for reading.

The borrowing policy is as follows:

Borrowing Limits

Kindergarten - 1 book 1st grade - 2 books

2nd grade - 2 books 3rd grade - 3 books

4th grade - 3 books

5th grade - 4 books

Encourage your children to take responsibility for their library books. Help them remember their library day. Set aside a specific place in your home for school library books so you don't misplace them. Use a plastic bag to protect books in backpacks. Encourage your children to come to me with any questions or concerns about their books.

Pricilla Fowler Media Specialist

HOPE-HILL ELEMENTARY **FOUNDATION**

How does the Foundation support our school?

Teacher Grants

School Improvement Projects

Principal Funds

Fifth Grade Field Trip

Teacher Appreciation

Beautification and Safety



Making math fun and engaging for students can have a significant impact on their learning and attitude towards the subject. When students enjoy math, they are more likely to be motivated, curious, and confident in their abilities. Although we have our new and improved math standards from Georgia Department of Education, Hope-Hill Elementary accepts the challenge.

As we embark on this journey, it's essential to foster a growth mindset in our students. Encourage them to embrace challenges, see mistakes as opportunities for learning, and believe in their ability to improve and excel in math and beyond.

Let's make learning an adventure of exploration and discovery, where math becomes a language to unlock the wonders of the world around us. Together, we can inspire a lifelong love for learning and empower students to become confident, well-rounded thinkers who can make a positive impact in their communities and beyond.

Latrice Green

MATH 完合

Instructional Coach of Math & Science



The ELA department will continue to implement and improve our practices around structured literacy, writing, and STE(A)M integration. Your students will be engaged in specific, explicit instruction in phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension, and writing, while supporting Project Based Learning and STE(A)M activities. We look forward to working with you this year!

> **Nicole Fluker Instructional Coach of Literacy Arts**

COUNSELING CORNER

Kenneth Robbins, Counselor



The SEL Book of the Month is My First Day written by Phung Nguyen Quang & Huynh Kim Lien.



This month's Classroom Counseling Lesson is about Staying Safe at School.



Our Social Emotional Learning lessons for the beginning of the school year focus on Creating a Welcoming School Community Together.

WE HAD A DYNAMIC DAY 1!





Red Carpet Welcome!



















