

# RAIDER NEWS

3450 Benjamin E. Mays Drive Atlanta, GA 30331-404-802-5100

August 26, 2019



**The Mission of Benjamin E. Mays is to inspire learners in a secure, nurturing and collaborative environment to promote social and global.**

## Mission Statement

### What's New In School

#### Quick Facts:

**Absence**— A written excuse from the parent, guardian or doctor must be sent to Mrs. James in the attendance office on your child's return to school within 3 days of being absent. Please review the APS handbook for absence guidelines.

**Tardies**— Students arriving after 8:30 am must be signed in at the attendance office by an adult.

**Early Dismissals**— No early dismissals are allowed after 2:20 pm unless a written note is sent.

**Parent Conferences**— Parent conferences are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Please contact Dr. W.J. Swain for questions about conferences.

**Transportation**— Transportation changes must be made in writing. Please contact the APS Transportation Department at 404-802-5501 for bus issues.



### Principal's News...

Welcome to Benjamin E. Mays High School! It is with great honor and excitement that I introduce myself, Dr. Mulanta Wilkins. As the Principal here at B.E Mays, my passion for education and supporting the success of all students has been shaped over the last twenty years in each of my roles as a teacher and an administrator.

I am dedicated to personalizing education for every student, while creating a safe place for them to grow. I am committed to ensuring that students' needs are met through both rigorous instruction and extracurricular opportunities. There are several ways you can get involved as well, through volunteering at the school, becoming a member of PTSA, or assisting with the many activities we have on campus.

As your Principal, it is important to me that everyone who steps through our doors - school staff, students, and parents - is excited to be here. I welcome your input as we embark on this journey together.

I'm excited about the upcoming year and look forward to working with each of you to prepare our students for academic success. I look forward to discussing any ideas or thoughts that can improve our school community.

Dr. Mulanta Wilkins  
Principal



### Football Schedule

08/31 GW Carver Birm @ Lakewood @5:00  
09/13 Langston Hughes @ LH @7:30  
09/21 New Manchester @ Georgia State Stadium @ 8:00  
09/28 OPEN  
10/04 Tri- Cities @ Lakewood -Homecoming @ 8:00  
10/11 Douglas County @ Lakewood @ 8:00  
10/18 Creekside @ Creekside @ 7:30  
10/25 South Paulding @ Lakewood @ 8:00  
11/01 Alexander @ Alexander @ 7:30  
11/08 Northgate @ Northgate @7:30



Ms. Smith -9th grade 404-802-5131

Ms. Reese -10th grade 404-802-5125

Ms. Aldridge -11th grade 404-802-5137

Ms. Jackson -12th grade 404-802-5145

### Contact Info

Parent Center

404-802-5148

Attendance

404-802-5132

Registration

404-802-5134

Social Worker

404-802-5124

Special Education

404-802-5112

Principal

404-802-5153

Asst Principals

Dr. Woody 12th

404-802-5117

Dr. Venzen 9TH

404-802-5122

Ms. Powell 11th

404-802-5118

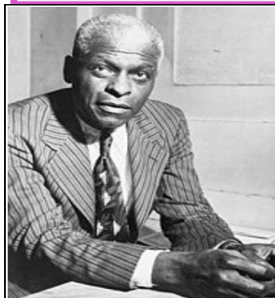
Mr. Jennings 10th

404-802-5155

### Visitor/Volunteers:

**Visitors**— For the safety of our children, ALL visitors must stop by the main office and obtain permission to visit.

**Volunteers**— All volunteers must complete the volunteer form located in the main office and get a background check. Approved volunteers must sign-in at the main office each time they volunteer.



It is not your environment, it is you—the quality of your mind, the integrity of your soul and the determination of your will that will decide your future and shape your life.

— Benjamin E. Mays —

AZ QUOTES

Parents of all incoming students:  
Physical Exams are requested upon entering the 2019-20 school year to ensure that your child is on target with Georgia School Immunization Requirements. Attached is a copy of the Georgia Physical Exam Form to be completed by your child's physician. Be sure to submit a copy of the current/updated immunization record.

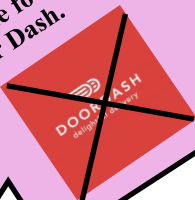


## PTSA

Any 9<sup>th</sup> grade scholar who would like to take the PSAT exam must pay the \$15 exam fee and take the test on Wednesday, October 30, 2019. Payment will be accepted for 9<sup>th</sup> grade students from September 1<sup>st</sup> through September 16<sup>th</sup> (See Ms. Smith).



The week of 8/26/19 all students will be issued a locker at no cost. After students receive their locker, no book bags are allowed in any classrooms. Students can visit lockers at the beginning of school, the beginning of third block, and the end of the day.  
Students and parents are not allowed to bring outside food onto the campus. No Uber Eats or Door Dash.

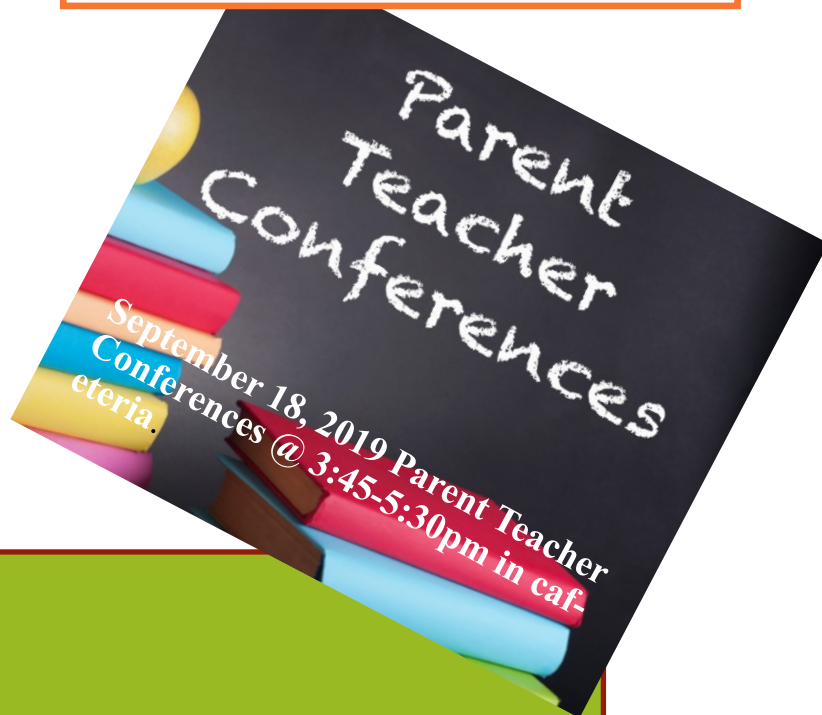


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ONE MEMBER AT A TIME!

### Your 2019-20 PTSA Board Members

Brendalynne Duncan, President [bduncan1703@gmail.com](mailto:bduncan1703@gmail.com)  
Terri Weekes, Vice President [terriweekes@yahoo.com](mailto:terriweekes@yahoo.com)  
Kysh Clemons, Treasurer, [kyshannon@hotmail.com](mailto:kyshannon@hotmail.com)  
Dawn Brockington Shaw, Secretary,



### September Parent Information:

09/12- 12th grade Parent Night @ 6:30 in the auditorium

09/19- 9th grade Parent Night @ 6:30 in the auditorium

09/25- 10th grade Parent Night @ 6:30pm in the auditorium

09/19/19 Meet & greet with Dr. Wilkins Principal @ 10:30am.

9/26/19 How to write an effective resume PT 1 @ 10:30am.



Parent Center open from 8:30am -3:30pm M-F