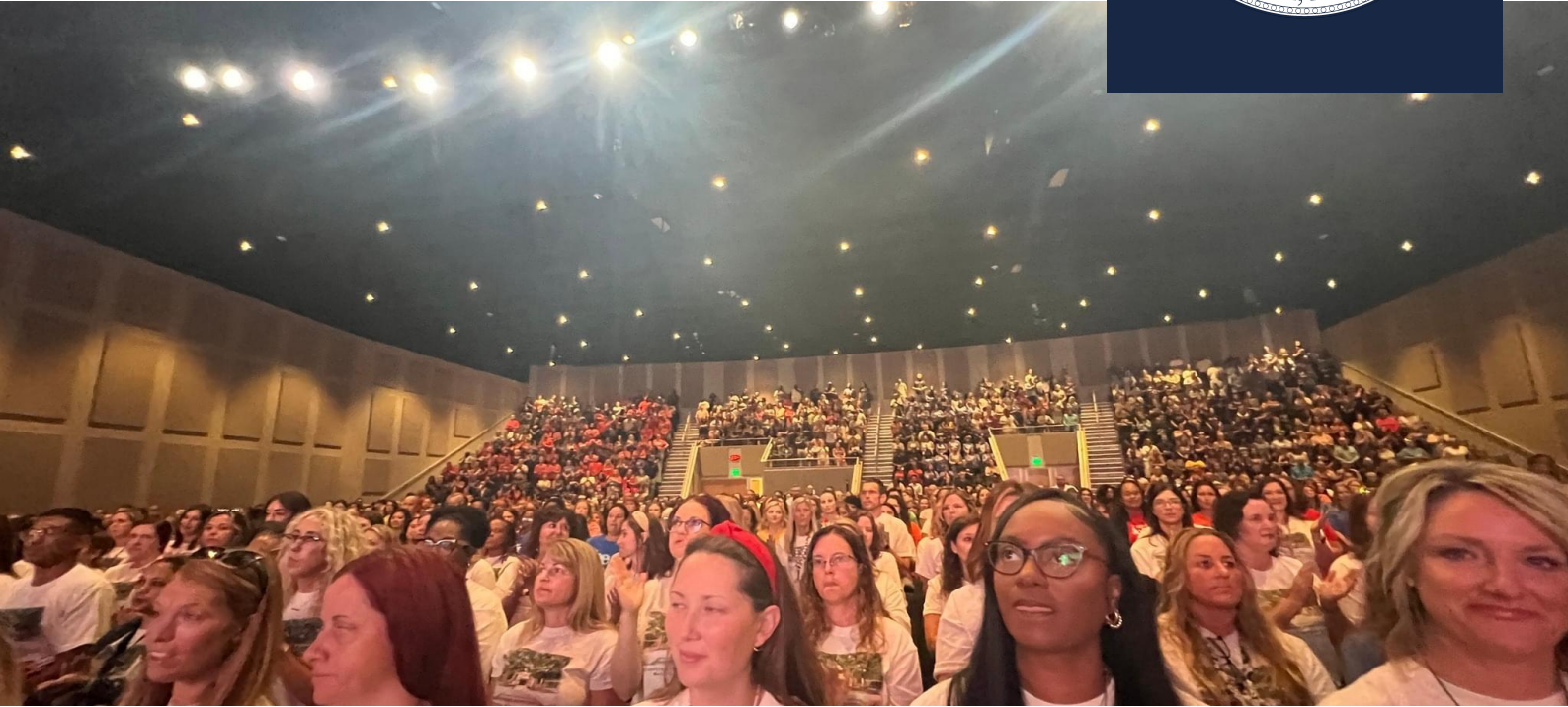




MADISON CITY SCHOOLS DISTRICT UPDATES



Dear MCS Parents,

We have had a fantastic start to the 2024-2025 school year!

As our MCS Family assembled in late July at our district wide Institute Day, we celebrated last year's countless successes of our students and staff. We are blessed in Madison to have a school system that is a leader at both the state and national level in academics and extracurricular programs.

I look forward to yet another outstanding school year. Thank you for your continued support and commitment to Madison City Schools!

#CelebrateMCS

Ed Nichols
Superintendent

UPCOMING DATES AND REMINDERS

- Madison Bowl - Sept. 6
- JCHS Homecoming Parade - Sept. 12
- JCHS Homecoming Game - Sept. 13
- JCHS Homecoming Dance - Sept. 14
- BJHS Homecoming Parade - Oct. 10
- BJHS Hall of Fame Reception - Oct. 10
- BJHS Homecoming Game - Oct. 11
- BJHS Homecoming Dance - Oct. 12
- Celebrate Madison - Oct 24

Madison City Schools launched the school year with Institute Day, an all-hands assembly honoring achievements and building excitement for the upcoming school year.

Service recognitions were also awarded to employees with 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 years of education employment.

The District Staff Member Of The Year (SMOTY) and elementary and secondary Teacher Of The Year (TOTY) were also named.

This year's event was moved from a high school auditorium to Church of the Highlands to accommodate district, elementary and secondary employees in one venue. MCS now has more than 1,300 employees due to growing enrollment.

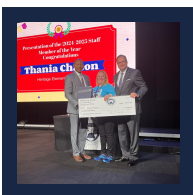
Assistant Superintendent Mr. Eric Terrell started off the assembly with a roll call of schools. That drew some of the most excitement as school faculties - dressed in schoolwide themes - arose when called and danced to their pre-selected music.

Board of Education members took part in announcing the service awards and celebrating school achievements.



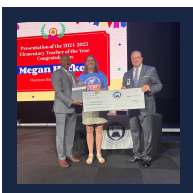
Superintendent Dr. Ed Nichols closed the ceremony with remarks focusing on school safety plans, district expectations, promises of support, and well-wishes for a great 2024-2025 school year.

MCS thanks various vendors and support organizations for partnering to help teachers, students, administrators, and support personnel to make Madison City Schools so successful!



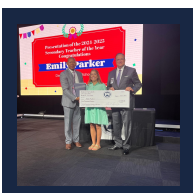
STAFF MEMBER OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Thania Chacon (Heritage Elementary) for being named MCS Staff Member of the Year!!!



ELEMENTARY TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Megan Hockey (Rainbow Elementary) for being named the MCS Elementary Teacher of the Year!!!



SECONDARY TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Emily Parker (Discovery Middle) for being named the MCS Secondary Teacher of the Year!!!

MADISON CITY SCHOOLS WELCOMED NEARLY 150 NEW TEACHERS FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

New Teacher Orientation was held in July for MCS.

Approximately 150 new teachers joined the ranks at MCS. Some filled positions caused by retirements or new units tied to growth. Others backfilled spots from promotions or resignations.

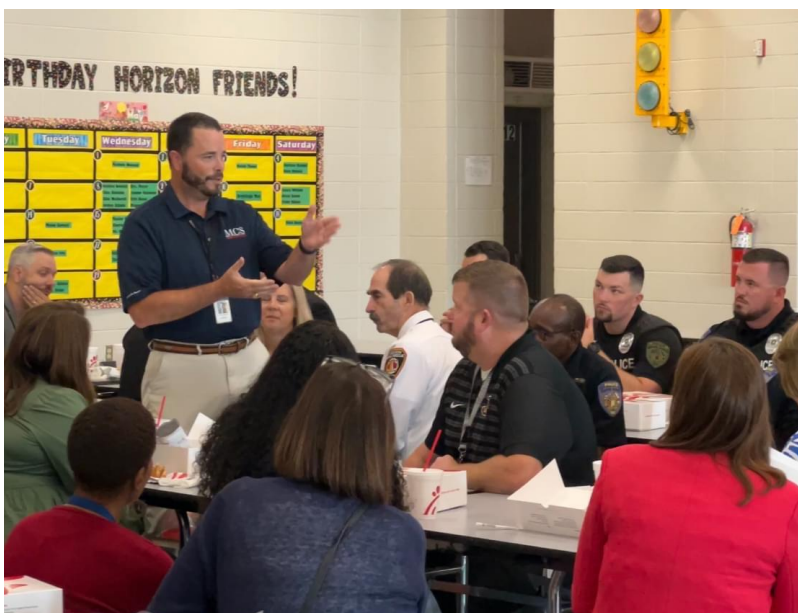
New Teacher Orientation was held at Journey Middle School, led by welcoming remarks from Superintendent Dr. Ed Nichols. Attendees also heard presentations from leaders of the Special Education Department, Federal Programs, Safety, Mental Health, Technology, Human Relations (Personnel), Finance Department, and more. Breakout sessions - split for elementary and secondary teachers - were also held to help prepare teachers for their transition to Madison City Schools.



MCS STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS WITH MADISON COMMUNITY LEADERS

Leading to the start of the school year, Madison City Schools leaders met with area first responders.

Superintendent Dr. Ed Nichols said the luncheon at Horizon Elementary was a way to show the school system's appreciation to fire, police and medical responders and to better understand respective roles.



Mayor Paul Finley, the county EMA director, city fire and police chiefs, and HEMSI attended along with school district admins, SROs, School Board members and principals/assistant principals.

The dialogue set a great foundation for future joint meetings.



EXCITING START TO THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR FOR MADISON CITY SCHOOLS

The first few weeks of Madison City Schools 2024 are in the books.

Bus routes, car lines, and student commutes have settled into a routine. Teachers, principals and staff members have embraced the new year with effective teaching and the dedication to serve. It is exciting to see all the learning taking place - from learning to read at PreK to navigating the most rigorous of AP courses -and everything in between.

A big thank you to bus drivers, custodians, administrators, media specialists, SROs, teachers, counselors, bookkeepers, child nutrition workers, and all other staff members who help make Madison City Schools the best school district in the state and region.

It's going to be an amazing school year!!!

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