

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS

### Distinguished Teacher of Literacy

Mrs. Lisa Brumley

### Teacher of the Year

Mrs. Amy Medley

### Support Staff of the Year

Mrs. Adrienne Degree

### Rookie Teacher of the Year

Ms. Alyssa Kerns

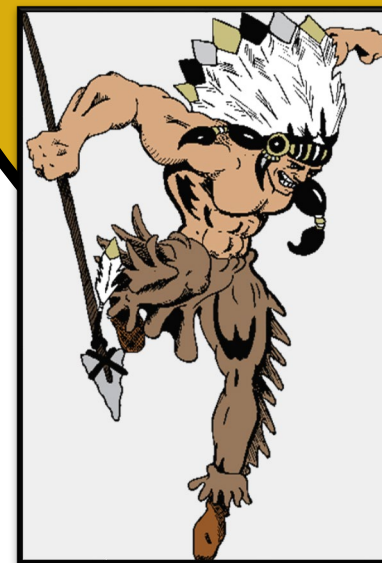
Junior Scholars  
Katie Atkinson  
Ember Butterbaugh  
Jaylen Fredell  
Brady Hager-Todd  
Averi Prince  
Eddrick Ratchford

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SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH SC LAW TO SHARE  
INFORMATION ON THE SCHOOL'S PROGRESS  
IN MEETING VARIOUS GOALS AND  
OBJECTIVES, THE WORK OF THE SIC, AND  
OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING THE  
SCHOOL YEAR.

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# GAFFNEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

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**REPORT TO THE PARENTS 2024-2025**

## GMS

School Mascot:  
**CHIEFS**

School Colors:  
**BLACK, GOLD, WHITE**

Student Enrollment: **841**

Total Staff: **116**

## **HOME OF THE CHIEFS**

### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of Gaffney Middle School, in partnership with all stakeholders, is to ensure a quality education by providing a safe, supportive, and structured learning environment.

### **VISION STATEMENT**

Gaffney Middle School will become a school of excellence for all students by fostering academic and social growth through creativity, collaboration, and reflection. This vision statement is intended to serve as both the blueprint for improvement and the benchmark by which we will evaluate our progress.

### **ADMINISTRATION**

**Mayor Lyman Dawkins, III, Principal**

**Mr. Brandon Bowling, Assistant Principal**

**Dr. Kenya Kilgore, Assistant Principal**

**Mrs. Ansley McCraw, Assistant Principal**



This year, we strived to achieve the district's mission by providing excellence through academic rigor and student engagement. We provided numerous academic opportunities for our students including STEM classes in grades 6-8, and high school credit courses for 8<sup>th</sup> graders. We also offered additional academic assistance to our students by using Title 1 funds to employ reading and math intervention classes.

Students have worked towards many academic goals as they complete engaging and rigorous activities through the district implemented iReady and Mastery Connect programs. As Gaffney Middle School continues to strive for success, we are proud of all of our teachers and students. Their hard work, dedication to learning, and commitment to grow is evident in our school data. We have raised the bar for academic success and are extremely proud of our students and staff for all of their accomplishments. As always, we thank you for your continued support.

## **GMS ANNUAL SCHOOL EVENTS**

- VETERANS DAY PROGRAM
- BAND AND CHORUS CONCERTS
- BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM
- SNEAKER BALL
- ELECTIVE INCENTIVE DAYS
- ACADEMIC & BEHAVIOR INCENTIVES
- FALL AND WINTER SPORTS
- AVID NIGHT
- FAMILY MATH NIGHT
- PEP RALLYS
- SPIRIT WEEKS
- FOOD TRUCK THURSDAYS
- WHITE CHRISTMAS PROJECT

## **CURRICULUM AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

Certified staff participated in on-going sessions in order to fully implement district initiatives such as collaborative instructional planning, student engagement, MTSS, data analysis, AVID, and E-Learning. All initiatives maintained a focus on college and career readiness, rigor and relevance across all disciplines.

Cherokee County has implemented iReady & Mastery Connect learning and assessment. All students take part in iReady ELA and Math diagnostics in the fall, winter, and spring. Students take three benchmark assessments on Mastery Connect. Students also use iReady to work on pathways focused on individual student's learning needs. Teachers and students work to achieve classroom goals and earn incentives for their growth and progress as learners.

Teachers participated in data-driven study groups to identify grade level classroom student achievement goals.

