

# GMS

## Annual School Events

Quarterly Awards Programs

Breakfast with the Principal

Veteran's Day Program

Multicultural Celebration

Black History Program

Band and Chorus Concerts

Career Day Expo

Hoops For Heart

March of Dimes

North Carolina Outer Banks Trip

Relay for Life

White Christmas

All Sports Banquet

Positive Behavior Incentives

All Academic Awards Program

## Mission Statement

Our mission is to commit to student learning by creating a safe, supportive, and structured educational environment.

## From our students...

**Jake Pearson** (6th grade)- "I like GMS because I get to go to the same school were my dad went to high school. Next year, I will even play football on the same field where my dad played."

**McKayla Byars** (7th grade)- "I like going to GMS because I get to see my friends, and I think the teachers are nice. The activities are fun and the rules are enforced. They are harder on you when they know you can do better, so you will."

**Berenice Ramirez** (8th grade)- "I love my school motto, my teachers, and how we all work together as a family at GMS. I especially like how we concentrate on school; when we do this we can accomplish anything. I love it!"

## GAFFNEY MIDDLE SCHOOL REPORT TO THE PEOPLE 2011-2012

Mrs. Shirley Sealy  
Principal

Mr. Lane Carter  
Assistant Principal

Mrs. Anna Cooke  
Assistant Principal

Mr. Clint Cracker  
SIC Chairperson



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# CHIEFS 2011–2012

## FEATURES

- ◆ Gifted and Talented
- ◆ Battle of the Brains
- ◆ BETA Club
- ◆ Honor's Band/Chorus
- ◆ Dance Team
- ◆ Algebra 1, Integrated Business Applications, PE, and Band for High School Graduation Credit
- ◆ Weekly Clubs and Intramurals
- ◆ Football, Volleyball, Basketball, Cheerleading
- ◆ Color Guard
- ◆ Drama
- ◆ Forensic Science Classes
- ◆ Student— led devotions at lunch
- ◆ Book Clubs
- ◆ Lego Robotics Team

2011-2012

## “Quality Without Question”

### Curriculum and Professional Development

- ◆ Gaffney Middle continued to integrate technology in the classrooms with LCD projectors, document cameras, and interactive white boards.
- ◆ Teachers participated in data-driven study groups to identify grade level student achievement goals.
- ◆ Teachers served on Professional Learning Community teams, with focus on grade level common assessments of student learning.
- ◆ Teachers and staff read The Energy Bus, and formed a study group to enhance the learning environment at Gaffney Middle by using the strategies learned from the book.
- ◆ Teachers attended conferences in reading and other areas to enhance classroom instruction and student learning.

### Who Are We?

*School Mascot: The Chief*

*School Colors: Black ,Gold, and White*

*Student Enrollment: 649*

*Total Staff: 70*

Dear Parents,

This has been a very successful year at Gaffney Middle School. Our theme for this school year was “We are Positive and Moving in the Right Direction” and our staff members worked diligently to provide a nurturing and academically challenging learning environment for all students. Some of our notable academic accomplishments include:

Teacher of the Year: *Mr. Justin Lovelace*

Distinguished Teacher of Reading: *Mrs. Jennifer Harris*

Junior Scholars: *Dillon Gibson, Jacob Hansen, Madeline Smith, Dana Tate*

District Spelling Bee First Place and Regional Spelling Bee Third Place: *7th grader Zakia Phillips*

Local and Regional Art award winners: *Miranda Boling, Sarah Holcombe, Juan Martinez, and Aaron Newton*

Young Writer's Gala District Winners: *Brandon Davidson and Onna Hines*

*Thank you to our parents and our community for your continued support!*

