

# BGIS eNews

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Dates to Note for

March

**BGIS Parents,**

We have some really great things going on in our school right now and I wanted to share a few highlights.

## Reading Madness Program

We have completed our reading celebration this week with the announcement of our top voted book. Students were excited to read, share, trade and compare our books. When the votes came in today it was announced that *Rain Reign* by Ann M. Martin was our winner. We encourage our student to continue to read these books and keep the momentum going as we show our love of literacy at BG.



March 12th	<b>Daylight Savings Time</b>
March 15th	<b>3rd Nine week Report Cards</b>
March 17th	<b>Donuts with Dad</b>
March 22nd	<b>Sloss Furnace Field Trip 5th Grade Navigators</b>
March 24th	<b>5K for a Cause</b>
March 27th – March 31st	<b>Spring Break</b>



**Brock's Gap  
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL**

1730 Lake Cyrus Club Drive  
Hoover, AL 35244  
(office) 205-439-1600  
(fax) 205-439-1601

## **Finley Breakfast**

Today we celebrate our 40+ students who were recommended by teachers as Finley Nominees for Brock's Gap. These students and their parents were treated to a character breakfast and represent our school as having outstanding character and showing hard work. Of course there are many other students in our school that show these traits, so this is just one way we recognize some of the positive things going on at BG. Thanks to our wonderful PTO volunteers for the hard work with our counselors to make this small breakfast possible.

## **Donuts for Dads**

We love donuts and we love our BG dads so next week we are bringing the two together. We have a special opportunity for dads to come by the school and spend a few quality moments with their child before the school day starts. Please sign up using the link below.

[https://docs.google.com/a/hover.k12.al.us/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfOkUdXCdoIVpEyseyu8N5H2Px3zhYpSkWZfRwOO\\_GUlehCyA/viewform](https://docs.google.com/a/hover.k12.al.us/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfOkUdXCdoIVpEyseyu8N5H2Px3zhYpSkWZfRwOO_GUlehCyA/viewform)

*Scott L. Mitchell*, Ed.S

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(205) 439-1610 office





IS NOW GIVING BACK TO  
OUR CAUSE  
THROUGH THE PLANET FUNDRAISER APP



#SHOPSNAPGIVE

# GIVE BIG MONDAY!



GO TO JIMMY JOHN'S ANYTIME ON MONDAY, MARCH  
13<sup>TH</sup> AND UPLOAD YOUR RECEIPT FOR 10%  
DONATION!

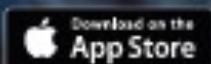


Keep up the great  
WORK  
BGIS FAMILIES!

**Remember to use the "Invite Your  
Friends" feature in the app And Check for  
new Vendors being added!**



## GIVING BACK THROUGH EVERYDAY PURCHASES



## MERCHANTS GIVING BACK BETWEEN 3-15%\*

Give back to your school everyday by shopping at these supporting merchants when you take a picture of your receipt using Planet Fundraiser.

Download the app today and see how much they are giving back!



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Anthony's Car Wash

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Bellhops

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Shipt

Slap Happy BBQ

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The Hangar Bar And Grill

The Pita Loco

The Whole Dog Market

The Yoga Circle

Wing Zone

+MORE

And now **Jimmy John's!**

[planetfundraiser.com](http://planetfundraiser.com)

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Hurry! They're going fast!

YM - 1

YL - sold out

YXL - only 3 left

There are a few adult sizes available in

S, M, L, and XL

XXL-2, XXXL-1

Check out all of the spiritwear items  
available on [myschoolfees.com](http://myschoolfees.com)



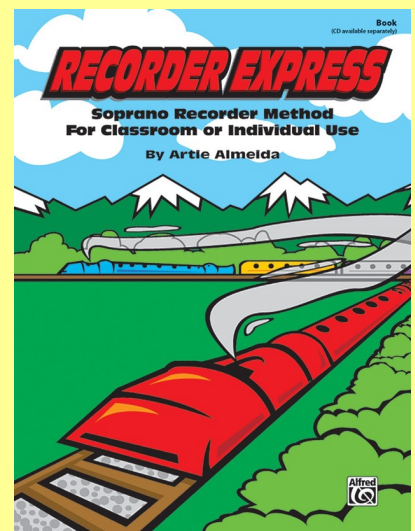
**Check out these glasses found in Lost and Found ... Are they yours? Lots of other items in Lost and Found as well. If you are missing anything check in the Lost and Found on 2nd floor.**

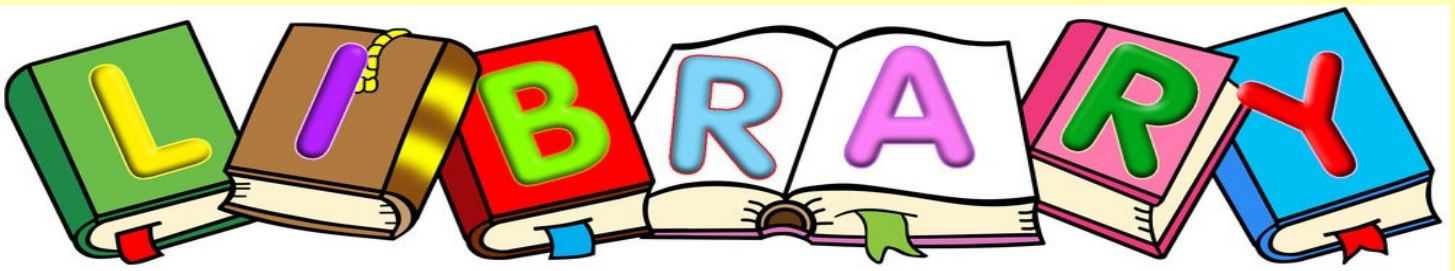


**6th Grade Parents,**  
There will be a middle school parent information interest meeting for the parent of any 6th grader wanting to try out for 7th grade dance or cheer-leading for the 2017-2018 school year. The meeting will be on Tuesday, March 14th at 6:00PM in the Bumpus cafeteria.  
We do not know answers on rezoning at this time, so all parents of 6th graders with an interest for 7th grade are encouraged to attend.



Fifth Grade Students,  
If you are finished with your recorder book  
please bring them to  
Mrs. Vines as soon as possible.





A BIG thank you to the dads who helped move a shelf in the library!!! So excited about some of the things happening in the library! Our new paint job makes everything bright and cheery. Thanks PTO and everyone who uses Planet Fundraiser for making this happen. Don't have the Planet Fundraiser app ... no worries. Just send your receipt from Chick-Fil-A, Gigi's Cupcakes, or any participating stores to the library and we will scan the receipt for you so that our school and library will still receive the rewards.



Students have been voting on their favorite book from the Reading Rally. As a school we selected *Rain Reign* as our favorite book! A great choice!

Keep Reading.

Looking for parents to volunteer! Please sign up at the following link if you would be willing to help out in the BGIS library.

Thanks so much for volunteering to help!

Mrs. Stewart

[Library Volunteer Link](#) or

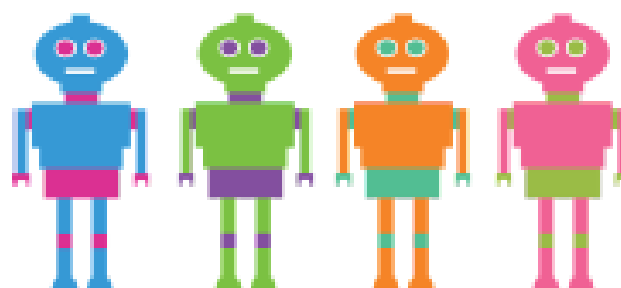
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0c4fa9a929a31-library1>



# BGIS Robotics Workshop

Wednesday, April 5th

3:00-5:00 PM



\*For any student who is NOT currently on a BGIS Robotics Team\*

Come join us to explore the world of robotics! Whether you have participated in Lego Robotics before, or you're interested in learning, join us for this workshop! We will explore the basics of programming and you will have the opportunity to work with others to complete several robotics tasks.

The workshop will be from 3:00-5:00 in the computer lab. Please bring a snack! You will need to have a ride home promptly at 5:00. If you are interested in this opportunity, please return this form by Friday, March 24th. Due to limited space and equipment, this workshop is limited to the first 40 students who return a signed permission form--so don't delay!

If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Fogleman in room 103 or e-mail [efogleman@hoover.k12.al.us](mailto:efogleman@hoover.k12.al.us)  
Hope to see you soon!

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## BGIS Robotics Workshop Registration

April 5, 2017/ 3-5pm

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Homeroom Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Parent e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Parent phone number \_\_\_\_\_





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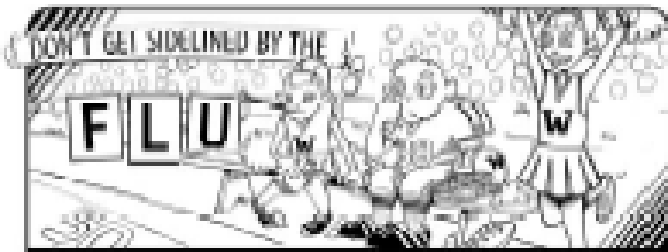
It is that time of the year and Alabama is having a high incident of the Flu. If your child is diagnosed with the flu by a **physician** please call and let the school nurse know. We have to keep track of the numbers of students that are diagnosed with the flu.

You can reach the school nurse by calling the phone number listed below:

Tyra Walker, RN  
School Nurse  
Brocks Gap Intermediate  
Phone 439-1630  
Fax 439-1601

# THE FLU: WHAT PARENTS NEED TO KNOW TO KEEP KIDS HEALTHY

With flu season upon us, it is important that we work together to keep our children and school healthy. By keeping our children flu-free, we benefit the community as a whole. Additionally, healthy students miss fewer days of school, which results in less stress on the family. Following are answers to frequently asked questions about the flu and how to help protect your child.



## WHAT IS THE FLU?

- The flu is caused by the influenza virus, which infects the lungs, nose and throat
- Flu can cause mild to severe illness, and sometimes, can lead to death
- Each year in the United States:
  - 5-20 percent of Americans fall ill to the flu
  - Children are two to three times more likely than adults to get sick with the flu, and they frequently spread the virus to others
- Young children are at the greatest risk for developing serious flu complications, as well as the elderly and those with certain health conditions

## HOW DOES FLU SPREAD?

- There are two ways to get the flu. Usually flu is spread from person to person through coughing and sneezing. Occasionally, people can get the flu from touching a germ-infested surface

## WHAT ARE THE COMMON SYMPTOMS OF FLU?

Often we get confused about the symptoms of the flu and how they are different from a common cold. Knowing the symptoms of the flu is important and will help you act quickly to get your child feeling better faster

- Common symptoms of flu include: high fever, severe headache, muscle and body aches, exhaustion and dry cough
  - Children often have additional flu symptoms that are rare in adults, such as nausea, vomiting and diarrhea
- Symptoms of a common cold include: stuffy nose, sneezing, sore throat and hacking cough

## SIMPLE STEPS FOR KEEPING YOUR CHILD HEALTHY

- According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the best way to prevent your child from getting the flu is to take him/her to get a flu vaccine
- You should talk to your child about practicing good health habits, such as:
  - Washing hands frequently with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds
  - Covering mouth and nose with a tissue when sneezing or coughing, and disposing of the tissue in a proper trash receptacle
  - Avoiding sharing drinks, water bottles or silverware with others
- You can help prevent the flu from spreading at home by disinfecting frequently touched surfaces, toys and other commonly shared items
- Also, if someone in your household gets the flu, a doctor can prescribe a medication – called an antiviral – that can actually prevent other members of the household from catching the flu
  - Studies show that some antiviral medications are up to 89 percent effective in preventing the flu when taken once daily for seven days

## DON'T TAKE THE FLU LYING DOWN

- If you are concerned about your child's flu symptoms, call your doctor early. Call your doctor immediately if your child has a chronic disease. Some children may benefit from an antiviral medication, which can be prescribed by a physician and can help lessen the duration of the virus and reduce the risk of complications, such as pneumonia
  - To be effective, antiviral medication should be taken within 12-48 hours after flu symptoms begin
- If your child has the flu, it is important for them to stay home from school, rest, and drink plenty of fluids
- Additionally, notify the school nurse **[INSERT NAME AND NUMBER]** if your child has the flu. Monitoring flu incidence at **[INSERT NAME OF SCHOOL]** will help keep students, faculty and our community healthy



This program is sponsored by the National Association of School Nurses (NASN) and funded by a contribution from Roche

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE INFLUENZA VIRUS, VISIT [WWW.CDC.GOV/FLU](http://WWW.CDC.GOV/FLU)

# School Counselor SPOTLIGHT

[www.schoolcounselor.com](http://www.schoolcounselor.com)

**Mrs. Robichaux and Mrs. Coleman are proud to be the school counselors for Brock's Gap Intermediate School. Ms. Robichaux will be working with 5th grade this year and Mrs. Coleman will be working with 6th grade this year. We both deliver classroom guidance, academic guidance, and personal counseling to students. In addition, we serve on the school leadership team, student support team, and coordinate standardized testing. We look forward to serving the wonderful students and parents that make up our dynamic school.**

**Coley Robichaux**

**5th Grade Counselor (439-1624) [nrobichaux@hoover.k12.al.us](mailto:nrobichaux@hoover.k12.al.us)**

**Terri Coleman**

**6th Grade Counselor (439-1634) [tcoleman@hoover.k12.al.us](mailto:tcoleman@hoover.k12.al.us)**

# BUCs Club Spring Basket Collection benefiting: Ronald McDonald House Charities

The BUCs club students are collecting items to benefit children of various ages for this needed program:

**Infant items:** pacifiers, rattlers, teething rings, baby books, noise makers, stuffed animals

**Toddler items:** dolls, cars, stuffed animals, action figures, coloring books

**Elementary items:** rubik's cube, play-doh, jump ropes, bouncy balls, stuffed animals, legos, playing cards, coloring books

**Teens:** rubik's cube, board games, bouncy balls, yo-yo, make-up

**Where:** Items are collected in main lobby at Brock's Gap. There's a box for each age group.

**When:** Collecting items March 13-March 24



# Character Trait for March

## Forgiveness

Deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn't have to pay.

MARCH 2017 | *Salamander*

# FORGIVENESS

Deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn't have to pay.



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# PERDÓN

Decidiendo que alguien que te ofendió no tenga que pagar por ello.



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# FORGIVENESS

Deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn't have to pay.



## SAY IT:

Forgiveness is deciding that someone who has wronged you doesn't have to pay.

## KNOW IT:

*Ask a kid:*

- How is forgiving someone like giving them a chance to start over?
- Have you ever argued with someone so long that you forgot what you were arguing about?

*Ask a grown up:*

- Is it harder for you to apologize or to forgive someone?
- How does it hurt us when we choose not to forgive?

## SEE IT:

Go to YouTube to look up the video "Rosa Learns Forgiveness".

This 2-minute video tells the story of two friends who have a bad fight that might end their friendship. After you watch the video, talk about Rosa and Ana's story. Has that ever happened to you? Did Ana and Rosa do the right thing? Should one of them have "paid" for their actions, or did they already?

## BE IT:

Head outside and find several rocks. Take turns having each family member fill his or her pockets with the rocks and walk around for a while. What does it feel like to carry around that weight? How is forgiveness related to carrying around those rocks? When you are done, give each person one rock to put in his or her room to remember what it felt like to not forgive.

MARZO 2017 | Salamandra

# PERDÓN

Decidiendo que alguien que te ofendió no tenga que pagar por ello.



**CARE**  
Cura.Educación.org  
MÁS QUE UN PROGRAMA,  
UN MUNDO MEJORADO.

## DILO:

Perdonar es decidir que alguien que te ofendió no tenga que pagar por ello.

## CONÓCELO:

*Pregunta a un niño:*

- ¿Cómo es perdonar a alguien dándole un chance para empezar de nuevo?
- ¿Alguna vez has discutido con alguien por largo rato que te olvidaste de lo que estabas discutiendo?

*Pregunta a un adulto:*

- ¿Qué tan difícil es para ti pedir disculpas o perdonar a alguien?
- ¿Cómo nos duele cuando escogemos no perdonar a alguien?

## MIRALO:

Entra a YouTube y mira el video “Rosa aprende a perdonar”

(En inglés: “Rosa Learns Forgiveness”). Este video de 2 minutos te cuenta la historia de dos amigos que tuvieron una pelea muy fea que tal vez termine con su amistad.

Después de mirar el video, habla acerca de la historia de Rosa y Ana. ¿Te ha ocurrido a ti? ¿Rosa y Ana hicieron lo correcto? ¿Debería alguna de ellas pagar por sus acciones o ya lo hicieron?

## HAZLO:

Anda a fuera y encuentra varias rocas o piedras. Haz que cada uno de tu familia se ponga las rocas en sus bolsillos y camine alrededor por un tiempo. ¿Qué se siente llevar ese peso? ¿Cómo el Perdón se relaciona con llevar esas rocas?

Cuando terminen, da a cada persona una roca para ponerla en su cuarto para que recuerden que significa “no perdonar”.



## **Character Trait of the Month**

### **Forgiveness**

**Deciding that someone who has wronged you  
doesn't have to pay.**

#### **Character Winners:**

##### **5<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

**Navigators: Holly Kenes & Clay Daniels**

**Discoverers: Ella Lazar & Jonah Rowland**

**Explorers: Reagan Spivery & Braydon Gerstenberg**

**Voyagers: Chase Halcomb & Claire Owens**

##### **6<sup>th</sup> Grade:**

**Navigators: Katie Rauworth & Jason Crawford**

**Discoverers: Micah Odle & Erin Clark**

**Explorers: Annie Lang & Khaslid Ruffin**

**Voyagers: Aman Virani & Sarah Walker**



# 5K for a Cause

Date: March 24th—ALL DAY!

Entry Deadline: March 15th! Pay on My School Fees

Students participating will receive a breakfast snack, a running pack, and full access to all day activity! If you choose the t-shirt option, you will also receive the t-shirt as designed below.

## The T-shirt



To see a video from past 5k for a cause please view these links!

2013

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OOL8tjJdBX4>

2014

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nZojgClOvC0>



**PLEASE COME ENJOY BREAKFAST WITH  
YOUR STUDENTS IN THE CAFETERIA**

**MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup>**

**FROM 7~8 A.M.**

**ADULT COST \$2.50**

**STUDENTS \$1.50**

**(CAN USE STUDENTS ACCOUNT)**

**WHOLEGRAIN DONUT, TURKEY SAUSAGE,  
FRESH FRUIT SALAD, JUICE,  
MILK AND COFFEE**

**Please click on the link below and fill out the  
form if you are planning on join us.**

**<http://bit.ly/2napSKb>**



# Hoover Color Guard Middle School Clinic 2017



**Saturday, March 18th**

**Do you like to perform? Do you like to dance?  
Do you want to be part of a great team?**

**Come Learn What Color Guard Is All About!  
Get a JUMP START on Upcoming Auditions!**

### You will learn:

- ↳ **Basics of Spinning A Flag**
- ↳ **Dance/Ballet Technique**
- ↳ **HHS Fight Song Pre-Game Routine**
- ↳ **A FUN Flag & Dance Routine**

### Important Information:

**Cost: \$40**  
(includes a T-Shirt and Chick-Fil-A Box Lunch)

**Registration Deadline:**  
**FRIDAY, 3/10**

\*You must complete the online form using this link to reserve your space:

<http://bit.ly/2kr7MpQ>

\*if you have trouble accessing this form, please email Mrs. Fitchpatrick at [afitchpatrick@hoover.k12.al.us](mailto:afitchpatrick@hoover.k12.al.us)

### Saturday Schedule:

8:30am	Sign-In (HHS Cafeteria)
*you will receive your t-shirt and a flag for the day	
9:00am	Clinic Begins
*you will learn Flag & Dance Fundamentals and Fight Song Routine	
11:10am	Review
11:30am-12:15pm	Lunch
12:30pm	Clinic Continues
*you will be reviewing & learning Fun Routine	
2:00pm	Review Everything!
2:30pm	Parent Performance!!
IN HHS COMPETITION GYM	

**You will have the opportunity to purchase a flag to keep at the conclusion of the clinic for only \$18!!!**

# 'LIL BIT FAN CLUB



Registration for the *'Lil Bit (Bucs In Training) Fan Club* is open to ages 4-12. Members will receive the following:

- Membership card
- Fan Club T-shirt
- FREE entry to all 2017 Hoover High softball home games\* by wearing the Fan Club T-shirt
- One FREE bag of popcorn at the home game\* attending
- Meet the players and coaches after the games
- Take the field with the players for the National Anthem at the Central Phenix (5:00) game on April 20<sup>th</sup>
- Pizza party with all the players after the Central Phenix game on April 20<sup>th</sup> in the hitting house

**Fan Club Pricing: 1 Child - \$30; 2 Kids - \$50; \$3+ Kids - \$75**

**Sign up at [bit.ly/bitfanclub](http://bit.ly/bitfanclub)**

For more information or questions, contact Coach Matlock at [tmatlock@hoover.k12.al.us](mailto:tmatlock@hoover.k12.al.us).

Make checks payable to Hoover High School and send to:

**Hoover High School, HHS Softball-Fan Club, 1000 Buccaneer Dr., Hoover, AL 35244**

\*Excludes Hoover Classic and Area Playoffs



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**L.E.A.R.N. BASKETBALL TRAINING  
IS AVAILABLE AFTER SCHOOL!!!**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (205)-267-7022  
HURRY! ONLY 25 SPOTS ARE AVAILABLE!!!**

**VISIT [LEARNBASKETBALLTRAINING.COM](http://LEARNBASKETBALLTRAINING.COM)  
& SIGN UP NOW.**



### Dress Code for 5th & 6th Graders

Our teachers have reviewed the Code of Conduct in 1st period with all classes, but we are still seeing some issues with student dress code. Please review the dress code with your child again especially with the length of shorts. Some of our girls are wearing clothing that are too short. The range in the size of the girls is broad, so what's looks okay for one is not okay for the other. We try to be consistent with all our students.

Please remind your child of the length of shorts/dresses, which is number 5 in the Hoover Code of Conduct on page 29.

Please make note of the following...

2. Clothing should not reveal the body in an inappropriate manner. Examples: clothing which is too tight, too short, bare at the midriff, bare at the sides, sun dresses, "spaghetti strap" type tops, off-the-shoulder tops, tank tops, Racer-Back tops, low-cut front or back tops, sheer or see-through clothing, clothing worn backward or inside-out, pants worn too low (low riders), too long, or excessively large, etc. **Legging/Jeggings are not considered pants.** Undergarments should not be visible.

3. Excessively large clothing is not allowed.

4. Pants with holes above the knee are not appropriate.

5. **Shorts must be hemmed and not shorter than mid-thigh when student is seated. The following types of shorts are not allowed: shorts that are torn or in disrepair, sweatshirt material, tennis shorts, spandex shorts.** ○ High school students may wear athletic shorts.

○ Shorts Rule may be adjusted at the Elementary Level.

6. **Length of dresses, skirts, etc., is required to be at the top of the knee front and back when standing or walking.**

○ Length of dresses, skirts, etc. may be adjusted at the Elementary Level.



# Absences

**We believe nothing hinders student success more than absences, tardies, and checkouts.**

**When a student returns, the parent MUST provide in writing within three (3) days of the return an excuse that includes the following:**

- 1. A written statement from the parent or doctor stating the reason for the absence.**
- 2. The date of the absence.**
- 3. Parent signature**

**\*\*Pre-arranged absence forms can be found on the school website\*\***

**If a student has more than 5 unexcused absences during the school year (not semester), the student may be referred to the District Office of Attendance or Early Warning Court.**

**We encourage you to check your student's absences and grades in INOW frequently. If you have questions regarding your child's attendance, please contact Jennifer Cole, BGIS Registrar, at [jcole@hoover.k12.al.us](mailto:jcole@hoover.k12.al.us) or (205) 439-1615.**

# Community Service

Community service occurs whenever a student voluntarily does an act of kindness or good deed for another. To pursue the Community Service Award, a student must see their grade level counselor for a community service application or print off the application on the next page of the newsletter. Once the application is complete and service activities are approved, the student may begin documenting community service hours on a community service card. A student must complete 30 hours of service within one year to receive the Community Service Award. Examples of qualifying deeds include volunteer work in: tutoring, hospital programs, church, youth groups, and scouting service projects.





**Brock's Gap Intermediate School**  
**Record of Community Service Hours**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Homeroom Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

**Community Service is defined as those activities which assist others or the community for which the student receives neither pay nor academic credit.**

Suggested Activities includes: tutoring, yard work for an elderly neighbor, being a "mother's helper" for small children other than your family, library volunteer, homeless shelters, Humane Society, church nursery, environmental projects, etc.

This form should be turned into either Mrs. Robichaux or Mrs. Coleman by May 5, 2017.

***Thirty (30) hours of service are required to earn an award.***

<i>Date of Activity</i>	<i>Community Service Location/Activity</i>	<i>Hours Logged</i>	<i>Signature of Service Supervisor</i>

**Total Number of Hours** \_\_\_\_\_

***I agree that I have performed the above hours.***

\_\_\_\_\_

**Student Signature** **Date**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Counselor Signature** **Date**