BGIS eNews

BGIS Website: http://brocksintermediate.al.hci.schoolinsites.com/

BGIS Parents,

One of our charges at Brock's Gap is to provide opportunities for students to get involved in extracurricular activities promote the exploration of interests. We call this Play-Passion-Purpose. At this age your child should be trying out different activities. Hopefully some of these opportunities will lead to activities they love and want to pursue further. That passion can lead to a lifelong activity, a career path or purpose-driven part of who they become as an individual.

Finding opportunities and following the steps to be involved promotes leadership and encourages students to meet kids outside of their smaller circle. This builds social maturity and character. Our teachers spend time listening to students and helping them get connected. I am proud that so many take away from personal time to offer students a chance to connect and "play" in an educational setting. Educational research shows that students who are "plugged in" to activities beyond the academic offerings of the school become more successful and enjoy school more. Below is a link to a list of student interest opportunities. Please make sure your child knows about these and reaches out if they are interested.

Click on this link to view a list of student interest opportunities.

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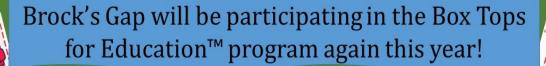
Dates to Note for

SEPTEMBER

Sept 4th	Labor Day Holiday
Sept 5th	Camp Meeting for 5th grade parents
Sept 6th	Magazine turn in day
Sept 8th	Fall Picture Day
Sept 12th	Spirit Night at Chick Fil A at the Grove
Sept 15th	Hearing/ Vision Screening



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Although the drawing for prizes will take place in March 2018, your child can be entered into the drawing throughout the school year. So submit those Box Tops early and often!

To have your name included in the prize drawing, place 20 unexpired Box Tops in a Ziploc bag along with one of the drawing entry forms sent home with your child.



IF you need More entry Forms, they can be Found in the PTO Link on the Brock's Gap Website



Magazine sale Fundraiser

Our biggest fundraiser of the year just got started!
Your child should have brought home a packet with information last week.

Orders should be turned in each Wednesday to qualify for prizes.

Check the BGIS Facebook page for prize updates.

Please take the time to go to gaschoolstore.com and check out all of the items available online-send your friends and family, too!

This Spirit Night is a Spirit Day!

Chik Fil A at The Grove Tuesday, September 12th from 6:00AM-8:00PM (drive-through counts, too!)





Receipts must be scanned using Planet Fundraiser app for BGIS to receive credit

Pto Fundraiser

Planet Fundraiser is the EASIEST way to help our school. Simply get the Planet Fundraiser app and each time you eat or shop at one of the listed businesses, snap a photo of your receipt. That's it! Planet Fundraiser will donate a percentage of your total to BGIS. You don't spend any extra money. Planet Fundraiser makes the donation on behalf of the merchant. You can also make donations through the app without making a purchase!

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Merchants and don't forget
to update your settings with
this year's teacher info!

Step One

Click on your current campaign.



Step Two

Add a new campaign. (Or select your new school if you're already



Step Three

Find and select your school.



Step Four

Choose your class! (Only if your school is separated by class.)

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Mrs. Walker, the nurse at BGIS, has asked for volunteers to help with the hearing and screening on September 15, 2017. We need lots of volunteers for this important event. If you can help out with this event, please click on the link below.

Sign up Genius for Hearing and Screening Day.

Mrs. Stewart needs help processing and shelving all the new books the library has purchased. She asks that volunteers come between 12:30 and 2:30 each day. Any time you can offer will be appreciated and very helpful. If you can help out in the library, please click on the link below.

Sign up Genius for Library Helpers



Mrs. Vines is looking for a parent or two to help organize recorders for the fifth grade students. Please email her @ lvines@hoover.k12.al.us if you are willing to help for a couple of hours.

The Art Room is looking for parent volunteers to hang artwork this year. Contact Sara Thompson at (sathompson@hoover.k12.al.us) if you could help with this project.



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We would like to take a moment to introduce ourselves to you and your family. Our names are Mrs. Bruno and Mrs. Robichaux and are the School Counselors at Brock's Gap Intermediate School for the 2017-2018 school year. We are excited and honored to be a part of this amazing team of educators and staff. We look forward to helping your student(s) succeed to meet their own personal goals for this school year and beyond.

Counseling sessions in a school setting are typically short-term in nature and focus on solutions to help your child succeed in all areas of their development. Counseling activities can include individual or group counseling and whole class lessons. Your student may be referred to counseling from a teacher, staff member or from you as a parent/guardian. To make a referral, you may visit our website or email us personally.

Please call or email us if you have ANY questions or concerns. We are thrilled to be working with your students! Have a great start to the school year everyone.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Bruno Mrs. Robichaux

5th Grade Counselor 6th Grade Counselor

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Career Spotlight



Dear Parents and Guardians,

This year at Brock's Gap Intermediate School we are going to be doing career spotlights throughout the year. WE NEED YOU! We want our parents to be our spotlights. We are asking that you video yourself answering a few questions and the video will be shared in our broadcast announcements.

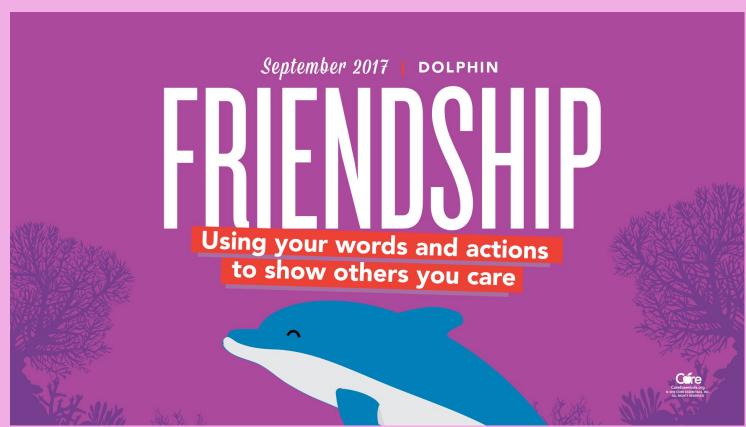
We are looking for a variety of people interested in telling our students about their career. Many of our students are unaware of the career opportunities available to them and this is a fantastic way to provide them with first hand knowledge of potential career paths. This is also a great way for you to get involved in BGIS and make an impact on the students' future.

If you are interested in recording a short 2 minute video telling the students about a "day in the life" of your job, please complete the following link. http://bit.ly/2vDNqdu

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. The information is also on the Guidance & Counseling page on the Brock's Gap website.

Thank you, Catherine Bruno Coley Robichaux









SAY IT:

Friendship is using your words and actions to show others you care.

KNOW IT:

Ask a kid:

- What are some things that your best friend does to make you feel special?
- Who are some grownups you know that are good friends?

Ask a grown up:

- Has there ever been a time where a friend let you down? Explain.
- Share a story of a time you were a good friend to someone who was in a difficult situation.

SEE IT:

Discuss the movie Toy Story as a family (the theme song

"You've Got a Friend in Me" says it all). Specifically talk about how Woody and Buzz look past their differences and make an effort to say or do something nice to show that they care.

BE IT:

A couple nights each school week, ask your child(ren) how he/she was a good friend to someone at school that day. Examples might be:

- Making an effort to welcome a new student and show them around the school
- Defending a classmate when they are being treated unfairly
- Letting an adult know when a student needs help and is in trouble
- Sharing a snack with someone who didn't bring anything.



DILO:

La Amistad es cuando usas palabras y acciones que muestran a otros que te importan.

CONÓCELO:

Pregunta a un niño/a:

- ¿Cuáles son las cosas que tu mejor amigo/a hace para hacerte sentir especial?
- ¿Quiénes son los adultos que tú conoces que son buenos amigos? Pregunta a un adulto:
- ¿Ha habido alguna vez que un amigo/a te falló? Explica.
- Comparte una historia de cuando fuiste un buen amigo/a con alguien que estaba en una situación difícil.

MIRALO:

Habla sobre la película *Toy Story* en familia (el tema de la canción "You've Got a Friend in Me" lo dice todo). Específicamente habla acerca de cómo Woody y Buzz dejaron pasar sus diferencias e hicieron un esfuerzo en decir o hacer algo simpático para mostrar que a ellos les importan.

HAZLO:

Padres, algunas veces por la noche pregunta a tu/s hijo/s como ellos fueron Buenos amigos con alguien en la escuela ese día. Algunos ejemplos pueden ser:

- Hacer un esfuerzo para darle la bienvenida a un Nuevo estudiante y enseñarle los alreadedores de la escuela.
- Defender a un compañero/a de clase cuando lo/la estén tratando injustamente.
- Avisar a un adulto cuando un/a estudiante necesita ayuda y esté en problemas.
- Compartir alguna merienda con alguien que no trajo nada para el almuerzo.



At Brock's Gap the school counseling services are addressed through the three major domains of the American School Counselor Association- Academic, Career, and Personal/Social. We're asking parents, teachers, and students to complete a short needs assessment in order to help us provide services through our counseling program.

http://bit.ly/2vOfbUK

Thank you for your time and input. We look forward to working and collaborating with you this year!



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

<u>Suggested Activities</u> 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. Bruno by May 7, 2018.

Students can pick up a community service form in the front office, 3tr floor office or from their counselor, Mrs. Robichaux (6th grade counselor) or Mrs. Bruno (5th grade counselor)

Brock's Gap Intermediate School

Record of Community Service Hours

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	Thirty (30) hours of servic	e are required to	earn an award.	
Date of Activity	Community Service Location/Activity	Hours Logged	Signature of Service Supervisor	
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Total Number of	Hours			
I agree that I hav	re performed the above hours.			
Student Signature		Da	ite	
Counselor Signature			te	



Parents,

Students are **not** allowed to carry medication on their person while at school. Please make sure you contact the school nurse with any need for your child to have medication at school. A prescriber/parent authorization form must be presented to the nurse along with the medication before any student is allowed to have medication at school. An adult needs to bring the medication along with the signed paperwork to the nurse. If you have any questions, please call Tyra Walker, RN at 439-1630.

We will have our hearing and vision screening for all 5th graders on September 15, 2017. We also screen 6th graders that are NEW to Hoover City Schools. If your child wears glasses make sure they bring them on this day.

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



Give Hope Day on 9/22! Wear Yellow/Gold Donate \$1 (cash) to support childhood cancer!



SAY CHEESE, PICTURE Day

FALL SCHOOL PICTURES FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8TH

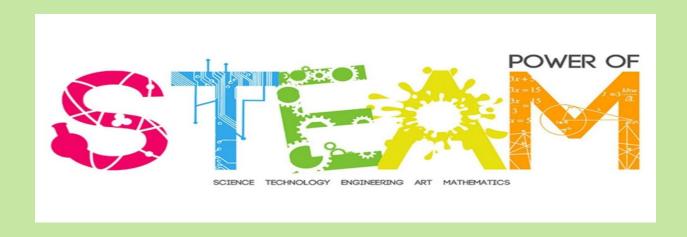


Earthsavers/Science Club will meet on Tuesday, September 5th from 3:00 -4:00 in Mrs. Maynard's room. Any child interested in joining may either pick up an application to turn in, or bring it to the meeting. Students will be given a list of meeting dates/times on September 5th. Since we participate in the Moss Rock Festival, we meet more often during September and October. Any questions, contact Jana Maynard at jmaynard@hoover.k12.al.us



Girls on the Run practice will begin next Thursday, September 7th. Practice will be from 3:00-4:15.

Make sure girls bring a change of clothes to run in and tennis shoes. There will be a parent meeting following the first practice.

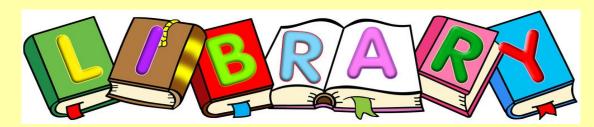


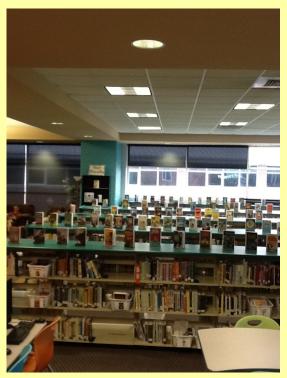
BGIS now has a STEAM Lab! We are looking to collect supplies for the lab that will help our students learn awesome Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics skills. We are looking for the community to help by donating Legos (even used), pool noodles, Popsicle sticks, straws, tape, marbles, cups, paper plates, rubber bands, crayons, markers, clay, play dough, string, lights, etc. Even basic tools would be awesome! Anything that you may have just lying around the house and aren't using, we can find a way to use it in the STEAM Lab. Please send supplies to Ms. Willis' Computer Lab Room in 113. We are looking to put a STEAM drop box out in the lobby so details will come soon on that. Please email any questions or comments to chwillis@hoover.k12.al.us.





Parents must fill out a new Free/Reduced lunch form every school year. The website is www.paypams.com/onlineapp.





Check out all the new books and the table and chairs in the library. The students are loving them.
Thanks PTO for your generous support!







