

## Clanton Schools' Grade Transition

Chilton County School Board approved the change of grades at Clanton schools based on the recommendation of the Superintendent at the board meeting on January 21, 2020. The change will take place at the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year in August 2020. The approval was made to move the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to Clanton Elementary and 6<sup>th</sup> grade to Clanton Intermediate. The Clanton schools will now have the following grades:

Clanton Elementary K-3<sup>rd</sup>  
Clanton Intermediate 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>  
Clanton Middle 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>  
Chilton County High 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

The change was based on the following factors:

- The passage of the Alabama Literacy Act which sets in place guidelines to give 3<sup>rd</sup> graders the resources to be proficient in reading.
- The need to move 6<sup>th</sup> grade which is considered an elementary grade. The move of 6<sup>th</sup> grade will allow more instructional time than what is currently being received.
- The two school feeder patterns (Clanton and Jemison) will now be structured the same.