



Highland School

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Welcome Back !!

Highland School
3156 Tabor Rd.
Gadsden, AL 35901

IMPORTANT DATES

DIBELS K-2	8/22- 9/2
NO SCHOOL	9/5
PTO Open House Grandparent Night/ Art Show	9/13 5:30
Fundraiser: Fro- zen Chicken Sales	9/26

Start the day right!

- * School starts @ 7:50. Be in your classrooms at this time.
- * Breakfast @ 7:25. Students need to be finished eating and in their rooms by 7:50.



The Results are in: Tremendous Gains

Our students, teachers, staff, and you our parents are to be congratulated for the tremendous improvement in proficiency on the Alabama Reading and Math Test our students took last year. We are so proud to be able to report to you that our students did extraordinarily well. It took much hard work on everyone's part and it paid off! Let's do it again this year!!!

Despite these fine efforts, our school did not make Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) due only to **attendance**. We are required to have an attendance rate of at least 95%. Ours was 94%. Parents: **We need you!** One percent kept us from being able to state that we did in fact make AYP. Please get your student to school each day and on time. We are counting on you to help us meet the goal of (at least) 95% in attendance **daily**. Because we are a small school, each child's absence counts so much. Please help us.

If your child has a fever and/or is vomiting, we need you to keep him/her at home. Otherwise, please get your student to school on time. If there are other reasons keeping your child at home, please contact the office and let us know so we can be aware and try to help you out if we can. Success happens when we all work together on a common goal. Let's get this done!!!

Blessings Abound in our Community

A special thanks to **Fairview Church** and **McCaulley's Chapel** for aiding our students with school supplies, as well as funds for the purchase of many workbooks for our students. These churches (as well as others) are always there for our families in times of need. Our sincere thanks to them!

We also want to thank **Charles Copeland** and **Butch Finch** for the hours of labor they have put into maintaining our school grounds. Our school is always beautiful inside and out and we thank you for your part in making it happen!

Chicken Chicken Chicken

We are having a new fundraiser this year that we are very excited about. We will offer frozen chicken at great prices.

Breaded Chicken tenders 6lb. Box for \$25, Breaded Boneless Chicken Wings 6lb. Box \$25, and Non-Breaded Chicken fillets 4lb. Box for \$20.

Stock up to help our school!



Yummy Snacks

We are proud to offer a variety of yummy snacks for sale each morning. We have available for purchase many healthy snacks for 50 cents. We also offer Rice Krispy Treats for 75 cents. We have bottled water for 50 cents and flavored bottled water for 75 cents. Lots to choose from for a little cost!!!!

Also, we often have special snack sales throughout the week as small fundraisers for the school. Check your student's planner for days/snack item choice.

PTO Membership Drive

Please send to school \$4 for your family to join our Parent Teacher Organization. Your membership fee will go along with the 3 major PTO fundraisers to fund AR awards, cleaning supplies, awards day, 8th grade ceremonies, Health, academic rewards, track meet, and many others. PTO's large fundraisers are Harvest Festival, Santa Shop, and Spring Fling. We would love for all of our families to be

active in our organization.

Your membership will help your student win a movie party! Each student who has a family membership will be able to watch a movie on a big screen on Friday Sept. 30th.

Join today!!!!!! **Membership drive ends Sept. 23rd.**

Movie for the students with family membership

Come on In

Ms. Lokey our principal would like everyone to know her office door is open! She is available to you to answer any questions you may have or to help with any of your concerns.

You are welcome to visit our school, come eat lunch with your student, or to volunteer. We would love to have you!!!!!!

HIGHLAND SCHOOL SHIRTS

Highland School T-shirts are on sale now. Cost is \$12. Children and adult sizes are available. The shirts are Crimson/White with an elephant on the back for the Tide or Navy/White with tiger eyes on the back for the Auburn Tigers. All orders are due August 31st. Cash preferred, checks accepted.



Paperwork

Please get your student's paperwork completed and sent back to the school, pronto!

These are very important documents the state requires us to have on file at the school. Thank you for taking care of this important matter

