

### FANNIN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

SUPERINTENDENT Dr. Michael Gwatney

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Terry Bramlett, Chair | Mike Cole, Vice-Chair Bobby Bearden | Lewis DeWeese | Chad Galloway

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March 14, 2022

#### Dear FCSS Community:

Per Governor Brian Kemp, the week of March 14 is "School Board Appreciation Week" in Georgia. This Proclamation calls attention to the contributions of the members of local boards of education.

Citizens elect school board members to represent the community on education matters. Board members are Constitutional Officers; each swears an Oath to uphold his or her duties, which include setting a school system's vision and creating the policies that govern its operation. The members represent – together as one board – the entire community.

Fannin County is fortunate to have five members who collectively have over 72 years of experience representing our community:

- Chair Terry Bramlett (01-01-2005 to present);
- Vice-Chair Mike Cole (01-01-2019 to present);
- Bobby Bearden (01-01-2003 to present);
- Lewis DeWeese (01-01-1989 to 12-31-2004 and 01-01-2009 to present); and
- Chad Galloway (01-01-2017 to present).

I respect our Board and have a true appreciation for what they do. They are advocates of our most precious asset – the children – and strive to represent the best interest of all constituents. Please join me in thanking them for their service to Fannin County.

Sincerely,

Michael Gwatney, Ed.D.

Superintendent

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### BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

# **A PROCLAMATION**

## SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION WEEK

WHEREAS: Our children's education is the key to our states continued prosperity and

success; and

WHEREAS: For Georgia to continue to grow, we must commit to providing trained teachers

and adequate resources to all schools; and

WHEREAS: Across Georgia, men and women serving on school boards have demonstrated

a strong commitment to quality public education by securing necessary resources, promoting academic standards, and fostering partnerships within

communities; and

WHEREAS: Georgia's boards of education collaborate with school systems, parents, and

community leaders so that students can become educated, productive members

of our state and nation; now

WHEREAS: On this occasion, the State of Georgia commends all school board members for

their dedication to the well-being of our youth; now

**THEREFORE:** I, BRIAN P. KEMP, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim the

week of March 14, 2022, as SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION WEEK in

Georgia.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two.

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GOVERNOR

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CHIEF OF STAFF