

# Cook High School

## Back-to-School Information



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**2023-2024**

## ADMINISTRATION

Principal..... Dr. Joi Williams  
 Assistant Principal/Athletic Director .... Mr. Paul Dobson  
 Assistant Principal ..... Mr. Gabe Hammock  
 Assistant Principal ..... Mrs. Paula Simmons  
 Instructional Coach.....Mrs. Jesse Beale  
 CTAE Director .....Mr. Richard Herrin

## GUIDANCE/STUDENT SERVICES

Guidance Counselor.....Mrs. Brittney Allen  
 Guidance Counselor.....Mr. Blake Suggs  
 Special Education Coordinator ..... Mrs. Jodi Robbins  
 Registrar .....Mrs. Braye Walker  
 School Nurse .....Mrs. Allison Edwards  
 School Nurse .....Mrs. Kyla Turner  
 Media Specialist .....Mrs. Allison Tolman  
 Reading Specialist..... Mrs. Pamela Taylor  
 Technology Specialist..... Mr. Zack Weeks  
 ISS ..... Mr. Corey Green  
 E3/Credit Recovery ..... Mr. Jackson Dean

## OFFICE STAFF

Bookkeeper .....Mrs. Katrina Bostic  
 Administrative Assistant ..... Mrs. Chris Harris  
 Administrative Assistant .....Mrs. Samona Durr  
 Administrative Assistant .....Mrs. Lauren Spires  
 Athletic Administrative Assistant..... Mrs. Sonja Thomas

## ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Tetyana Ard - Melissa Calkins  
 Tonya Gregory - Shelli Phillips  
 Jill Swanson - Phillip Walker

## SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

Zach Folsom - Mary Garcia  
 Kyle Hanson - Laura Howard  
 Marie Joiner  
 Christopher May

## SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Buck Carter - Bill Durrance  
 Tabitha Jenkins - Debbie Kelley  
 Heather Lindsey  
 Michael Novack

## MATH DEPARTMENT

Thalia Elliott - Becky Futch  
 Olivia Lanier - Kimberly McCann  
 Kelsie Mitchell - Darcy Rainey  
 Rhonda Reynolds

## FACULTY & STAFF

### FINE ARTS/FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Harlee Bell - Jacob Fortner  
 Cesar Garcia - Heather Morris  
 Elizabeth Powell  
 Ruthanna Wickham

### SPECIAL EDUCATION

Alex Branch - Cornelius Brown  
 Dustin Larkin - Karen Loreda  
 Kelly Taylor - Luis Tyson  
 Jace Walker - Tammy Walker  
 Ronard White - Will Wilson

### CTAE DEPARTMENT

Josh Bryan - Lori Carter  
 Ren Hester - Ty McDowell  
 Jenny Pitts - Constance Thomas  
 Marsha Tillman - Justin Watson  
 Hope Weaver - Brandon White

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Rusty Beale (Credit Recovery)  
 Jackson Dean - Clemmie Foster  
 Adam Gray - Clifford Pettiford  
 Byron Slack - Chad Wheeler  
 Charlie Wiggins

### PARAPROFESSIONALS

Donna Browning - Emily Holton  
 Kay Leverett - Ollie McKinnon  
 Beth Willis - Patricia Young

### CAFETERIA

Ellie Cain - Cheryl Garvitte  
 Mitty Jones - Gloria Knighton  
 Cassandra McDonald  
 Lisa Merine - Alice Turner

### CUSTODIAL

Maxine Cross - Toni Cross  
 Cheryll Dozier  
 Jessica Espinoza  
 Melissa Hadley - Vivian Logan  
 Maria Moore - Sabrina Newsome  
 Ben Freeman (Maintenance)

### STUDENT RESOURCE OFFICERS

Leah Morris - Chris Powell



## 2023-2024 BELL SCHEDULE

8:15 - 9:39 ..... 1st Block  
 9:45 - 10:15 ..... Advisement  
 10:21 - 11:45 ..... 2nd Block  
 11:51 - 1:48 ..... 3rd Block  
     11:51 - 12:16 - 1st Lunch  
     12:22 - 12:47 - 2nd Lunch  
     12:53 - 1:18 - 3rd Lunch  
     1:23 - 1:48 - 4th Lunch  
 1:54 - 3:15 ..... 4th Block

## PARENT DROP-OFF/PICK-UP PROCEDURES

- The lane nearest the sidewalk directly in front of the school is for student drop-off only.
- Drivers should pull as far down as possible along the curb (there is a sign posted where this begins) in lieu of waiting to drop off students directly at the front entrance. This will prevent traffic from backing up at the entrance to the school.
- No drop-offs should occur in the two lanes nearest the front parking lot.
- Please be reminded that the speed limit in front of the school is 5 mph. Although some students may have to walk a few feet further, this process will speed up the flow of traffic directly in front of the school in the mornings. This will also help with afternoon drivers, especially those that arrive early before school has ended.
- We thank all drop-off drivers for adhering to this process for the benefit and safety of all of our students.

## SCHOOL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Dr. Joi Williams ..... Principal  
 Mr. Gabe Hammock ..... Asst. Principal  
 Mr. Paul Dobson ..... Asst. Principal/  
     Athletic Director/Parent  
 Mrs. Paula Simmons ..... Asst. Principal  
 Mrs. Brittney Allen ..... Guidance Counselor  
 Mrs. Blake Suggs ..... Guidance Counselor  
 Mrs. Jesse Beale ..... Instructional Coach  
 Mr. Chris May ..... CHS Teacher of the Year  
     2023-2024  
 Mr. Tom Thomas ..... Business Member  
 Mrs. Shamika Durden ..... Business Member  
 Dr. Mike McCartney ..... Business Member

## FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

Freshman Orientation (9th Grade Students Only) will be August 3. Parents need to drop students off at CHS at 9:00 am and pick them up at 12:00 noon.

## GRADUATION

To be eligible for participation in graduation ceremonies, students must have completed all requirements for a diploma and all state assessment requirements.

### 11TH GRADE MCV4 REQUIREMENTS:

Cook County Health Department wants to remind all Cook County parents and students that before starting the 2022-2023 school year, all students entering or transferring into 11th grade will need proof of a meningococcal booster shot (MCV4), unless their first dose was received on or after their 16th birthday. Meningococcal disease is a serious bacterial illness that affects the brain and the spinal cord. It is spread through saliva and can be contracted by sharing food, drinks or makeup, kissing, sneezing and coughing. Meningitis can cause shock, coma and death within hours of the first symptoms. MCV4 or meningococcal conjugate vaccine, is a two-dose booster shot. It helps protect against four types of the bacteria that cause meningococcal disease (serogroups A, C, W and Y). While most people who get the vaccine do not have any serious side effects it is always a possibility. The most common side effects include redness or pain where the shot was given and occasionally a fever. These side effects typically go away within 1-2 days. A full immunization guide is available on the [Georgia Department of Health](https://www.gahealth.org/) website.

Ask your pediatrician or local health department about other shots your child may need including an annual flu vaccine; and catch-up immunizations, including chickenpox, MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) and hepatitis B. Parents can visit the health department or their child's physician to receive a full list of their required vaccines. If your child does not have health insurance or their health plan won't cover these vaccines, call your local health department and ask about getting no cost or low cost vaccines.

### STUDENT PARKING PASSES AND LOCKER SCHEDULE

Students attending Cook High School during the 2023-24 school year may purchase parking permits and/or school lockers according to the following schedule:

Class	Day	Date	Time
WBL	Tuesday	Aug 1	9:00 – 11:00 am
Seniors	Tuesday	Aug 1	1:00 – 3:00 pm
Juniors	Wednesday	Aug 2	9:00 – 11:00 am
Sophomores	Thursday	Aug 3	9:00 – 11:00 am
Freshmen (lockers only)*	Thursday	Aug 3	1:30 – 3:00 pm

\* Freshmen are not allowed to park on campus, so they may not purchase a parking permit.

# DATES TO REMEMBER

## 1st Semester

Thursday - Thursday	July 27-August 3	Pre-Planning
Wednesday	August 2	Freshman Orientation (9 am - noon)
Friday	August 4	Classes Begin
Thursday	August 10	Open House
Monday	September 4	Labor Day Holiday
Tuesday	September 5	Teacher In-Service
Wednesday	September 6	Progress Reports
Friday	September 22	Homecoming Game
Thursday	October 5	End 1st 9 Weeks
Friday - Monday	October 6-9	Fall Break (Teachers)
Friday - Tuesday	October 6-10	Fall Break (Students)
Tuesday	October 10	Teacher In-Service
Thursday	October 12	Report Cards
Friday	November 10	Progress Report
Monday - Friday	November 20-24	Thanksgiving Break
Monday - Thursday	December 11-14	EOC Testing
Monday	by December 18	Final Exams
Tuesday	December 19	End of 1st Semester - 1/2 Day
Wednesday - Thursday	December 20-January 4	Christmas Break (Students)
Wednesday - Tuesday	December 20-January 2	Christmas Break (Teachers)

## 2nd Semester

Wednesday - Thursday	January 3-4	Teacher In-Service
Friday	January 5	1st Semester Report Cards Mailed
Friday	January 5	Students Return
Thursday	January 11	Open House
Monday	January 15	MLK Jr Day
Wednesday	February 7	Progress Report
Monday	February 19	Student/Teacher Holiday
Friday	March 8	End 3rd 9 Weeks
Thursday	March 14	Report Cards
Monday	March 18	Student/Teacher Holiday
Monday - Friday	April 1-5	Spring Break
Saturday	April 13	Prom
Thursday	April 18	Progress Reports
Monday	April 22	Honors Night (6:00 pm)
Friday	May 3	Honors Day (9:00 am)
Monday - Thursday	May 6-9	EOC Testing
Thursday - Friday	May 9-10	Senior Finals
Wednesday - Thursday	May 15-16	Underclassmen Final Exams
Friday	May 17	End of 2nd Semester - 1/2 Day
Friday	May 17	Graduation (8:00 pm)
Monday - Thursday	May 20-23	Post Planning
Tuesday	May 28	2nd Semester Report Cards Mailed



## 2022-2023 COOK HIGH SCHOOL CELL PHONE & ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

Cell phones and all electronic devices and accessories must be turned off, out of sight and cannot be used during class time, unless permission is given by the teacher. Students found in violation of this policy will be penalized as follows:

1st Offense ..... 5 days Restricted Lunch  
 2nd Offense ..... 10 days Restricted Lunch  
 3rd Offense ..... 2 days Block ISS  
 4th Offense and beyond ..... 1 day ISS

## AREAS OF STUDY UNITS REQUIRED

(I) English/Language Arts .....	4
(II) Mathematics .....	4
(III) Science.....	4
(IV) Social Studies .....	4
(V) CTAE and/or Foreign Language and/or Fine Arts .....	3
(VI) Health and Personal Fitness .....	1
(VII) Electives .....	4
<b>TOTAL UNITS .....</b>	<b>24</b>

## REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

Students must meet diploma requirements in three areas: Assessments, courses, and credits.

- Courses: students must complete specific course requirements as outlined by the graduation rule and local requirements.
- Credits: students must earn 24 units as a minimum requirement.

### GENERAL LOCAL POLICIES

- A student will be placed in regular, advanced, and support courses beginning in the ninth grade based upon standardized, criterion-referenced, and formative assessment data; grades; achievement; other evidence of mastery of the Georgia Standards of Excellences; and teacher/guidance recommendations
- To be eligible for participation in graduation ceremonies, students must have completed all requirements for a diploma and all state assessment requirements.



## COOK HIGH SCHOOL SUPPLIES

**CLASSROOM SUPPLIES:** Individual teachers will provide supply lists the first day of school.

**LOCKERS:** The high school is equipped with very large lockers. Students are strongly encouraged to purchase a locker for \$10 (covers the entire year) to secure and store their valuables. PE Lockers are available for \$5 per semester.

**CHROMEBOOKS:** Every student will be provided a school-issued Chromebook. It is the responsibility of the student to maintain this Chromebook in working condition. The student can take this Chromebook to the media center at any time if the Chromebook is not working correctly. If it is deemed intentional by the administration of Cook High School that a student has made the Chromebook inoperable by manipulation of software or hardware, the student and/or parent/guardian will be liable for the labor cost of restoring the Chromebook to working order or will be liable for the replacement cost of the Chromebook.

### FALL SPORTS

Football • Softball  
 • Football Cheerleading  
 • Competition Cheerleading  
 • Cross Country • Volleyball

### WINTER SPORTS

Basketball • Wrestling  
 • Basketball Cheerleading

### SPRING SPORTS

Baseball • Golf • Tennis  
 • Track • Soccer • Bass Fishing

## MEMORIAL STADIUM POLICY

To ensure the safety of all coaches, players and fans, No one is allowed on the field until all players have entered the field house.

## COOK HIGH SCHOOL 2023-24 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Aug 4	TCC #	Adel	7:30 pm
Aug 18	Pelham	Pelham	7:30 pm
Aug 25	Valdosta	Adel	7:30 pm
Sep 1	Brooks County	Quitman	7:30 pm
Sep 8	Clinch County	Homerville	7:30 pm
Sep 16	Open		
Sep 22	Jeff Davis <sup>(H)</sup>	Adel	7:30 pm
Sep 29	Sumter County *	Americus	7:30 pm
Oct 6	Open		
Oct 13	Berrien County *	Adel	7:30 pm
Oct 20	Dodge County *	Eastman	7:30 pm
Oct 27	Fitzgerald *	Adel	7:30 pm
Nov 3	Worth County *	Sylvester	7:30 pm

# Scrimmage <sup>(H)</sup> Homecoming \* Region Game