



The Gadsden Briefing

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Gadsden County School Board Monthly School Board Meeting Takeaways

- Director of Human Resources, Dr. Sonya Jackson, announced that the Department of Human Resources is actively processing new teachers and substitutes. Currently, there are 23 instructional vacancies across the district.
- Over the past month, GCSD has increased its number of filled positions from 662 to 687, reflecting a **3.62%** growth. Additionally, the number of certified instructional teachers has risen from 257 last year to 280 this year—an **8.95%** increase.
- The United School Improvement Grant (UniSIG), totaling \$344,450, will be used to support student improvement initiatives at Chattahoochee Elementary, Carter-Parramore Academy, and West Gadsden Middle School.
- The Florida Department of Education has placed a strong emphasis on early literacy. Schools are now required to notify parents in writing within 45 days if their child has a reading deficiency, and to provide an individualized progress monitoring plan.
- On August 23, 2025, the Gadsden County High School Head Coach resigned. In the interim, Superintendent Key has pledged to assist the football program until a new head coach is appointed. Superintendent Key also emphasized that no GCSD employees falsified any documents.
- The Florida High School Athletic Association (FHSA) has lifted the previously imposed \$21,500 fine and reduced it to \$1,000, which the District has been directed to pay.

Family and Community Engagement

PARENT & COMMUNITY MEETING

Wednesday, September 17, 2025 | 6:00 - 7:00 pm



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