

# A WORD FROM PRINCIPAL WYLIE L. HOWARD JR.

On behalf of our entire school community, I welcome you to Whiddon-Rogers Education Center! We have provided an alternative, non-traditional school setting that proudly serves students at the middle, high, and adult educational levels since 1996, and we are excited and prepared to deliver optimum educational services for the 2022-2023 school year. Our faculty and staff members embrace the philosophy that all students do not learn the same way or at the same pace. We take pride in responding to the individual needs of each student, and we utilize authentic methods and strategies to assure positive student outcomes.

As the appointed leader of this fine institution, one of my most significant roles is to create and maintain a results-focused learning environment. It takes a determined leadership team and a collaborative environment to implement a sound, competency-based model as we continue to strive to meet the needs of our students from an academic and socio-emotional perspective.

At Whiddon-Rogers Education Center, our doors are always open to those students who, for a variety of reasons, were not successful in the traditional school setting and are in need of a second opportunity to obtain a high school diploma Our motto is to Inspire, Empower, and Transform our students toward becoming productive members of society. So, please consider us to fulfill your educational needs

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. We are here to serve you!

Educationally Yours,

#### **VISION**

 Our vision is to become a nationally recognized school of excellence in innovative educational alternatives designed to prepare students for college and careers.

#### **MISSION**

 Our mission is to provide appropriate alternative educational strategies and resources that support social-emotional growth and instill a desire to become lifelong learners.



#### **EMERGENCY DRILLS**

We will conduct our "Emergency preparedness drills" on a regular basis (fire and tornado drills). Additionally, we will be conducting Active Assailant Drills each month as a part of our emergency preparedness. Appropriate notice of the drills will be provided to our stakeholders when necessary

#### PERIMETER GATES

The perimeter gates of the school will remain locked and/or manned by BCPS Safety and Security Personnel when school is in session. All visitors must report to the front office to gain entry to the campus. The perimeter fence in the front of the school (SW 26th Street) will be fully opened and manned from 7:00 AM -2:20 PM

#### **IDENTIFICATION BADGES**

All of our employees and students are required to wear identification badges at all times while on campus. When visitors are on campus, they are also required to wear some form of identification. Lost ID badges will be replaced four (4) times at no cost to the parent. After that, a 5th replacement ID badge will cost \$5 to be replaced. It will be the parent's

#### STUDENT UNIFORMS

The Middle School Academy will follow the District's mandatory unified dress code policy-Policy 5309. It is expected that all students are in uniform, **Monday through Friday**. The student dress code guidelines outlined in the Code of Student Conduct will be enforced.

#### ARRIVAL-DISMISSAL PROCEDURES

#### Controlling School Traffic is Essential for Safety

Students should be picked up and dropped off at the car loops only. Parents wishing to park should walk their children to the front gate.

Late arrivals and early dismissals will be handled through the front office.

For safety reasons, parents are not allowed to walk their children to their classrooms.

## NO COST BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

Whiddon-Rogers Education Center is happy to announce it will operate under the Community Eligibility Provision(CEP) for the 2022-2023 school year. The provision is available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs with 40% or more students receiving SNAP, TANF or Extension of Benefits.

This means all students enrolled at Whiddon-Rogers Education Center are eligible to receive Breakfast and Lunch at no cost. There is no further action required of you or your child.

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact us at 754-321-7550.

### **ABOUT US**

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