



Board of Education Newsletter for August 2014

The Jones County Board of Education continues to work on closing the communication gap between the Board and the citizens that we serve. We hope this information will keep you informed of events that affect our school system and our community.

BOE School Board Celebrations:

Your Board of Education wants you to know that we are very proud of the hard work and sacrifices you have made to make our school system one of the best! Thank you for all you do for our children.

Finance: Certified personnel have received only half of their county supplement for several years. They will receive a full supplement for 2014-2015 school year. 😊

No furlough days this year! We are one of a few systems in Georgia that are able to fully fund our employees, enabling students to attend a full 180-day school year. We are blessed! 😊

Jones County High School: The dropout rate declined again in the 2013-2014 school year. That means that more of our students are graduating. 😊

We are a great school system, because you are dedicated to our children. 😊

BOE meetings:

The Board of Education meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM. The August Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 19, 2014.

Highlights :

Board of Ed. Work Session Minutes:

BOE is commitment to attending School Council Meetings this year to show support to our faculty, students, parents and all who work together to educate our children.

Open House schedule: 5:00 PM-7:00 PM

August 1st for Middle and High School

August 4th for Pre-K and Elementary

New Board members are invited.

District Back to School Meeting: will be held on July 31st at Gray Station Middle School. Registration begins at 8:00 AM.

New Board members are invited.

School Celebrations: 😊

Jones County 8th grade 2014 CRCT scores, % Meets or Exceeds:

Reading 99.0 **ELA** 96.4 **Math** 91.3
Science 88.8 **S Studies** 89.8

Georgia 8th grade 2014 CRCT scores, % Meets or Exceeds:

Reading 97.0 **ELA** 94.5 **Math** 81.5
Science 77.9 **S Studies** 80.0

Jones County 2014 CRCT scores, % Meets or Exceeds:

	3 rd Grade	5 th Grade	5 th Grade
	Reading	Reading	Math
DFES	97.06	95.24	94.25
GES	97.96	98.98	98.98
MWES	93.60	95.10	92.16
TWES	96.19	100.00	94.75

Jones County 2014 CRCT 8th grade % Meets or Exceeds:

	Reading	Math
CRMS	99.43	92.05
GSMS	99.14	94.85

State Level & Important Legislation and Information

State Health Plan Update July 2014.

At the July 2014 Georgia Department of Community Health board meeting, the board announced the new insurance plan options that will be available to members in 2015. The board anticipates having new plan costs available in August. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information.

Georgia Student Growth Model:

Classroom teachers all across Georgia will be evaluated with the Georgia Teacher Keys Effectiveness System. 50% of a teacher's evaluation will be based on the Georgia Student Growth Model. For more information, including an Introductory video, go to: <http://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Assessment/Pages/Georgia-Student-Growth-Model.aspx>