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#### Good Behavior Party Poll by: Samuel Posey

We polled the student body for new ideas for the Good Behavior Party and here are the results! You want to see DODGEBALL, way more basketball so more students can play, and a video game trailer so you can play FORTNITE and Mario Kart. If there were prizes, you would want to see some awesome Apple products like iPads, watches and even iPhones. As far as food, you guys brought out the big guns with wings, pizza and slushies! What awesome choices! And while you think that everyone should be able to participate, most of you said that if a student has had OSS, they shouldn't be able to attend. Let's spread the word and get our ideas heard!

## Teacher of the Month - Administration's Choice

by: Diya Patel and DaiViyionn Smith

We were not surprised at all when Mrs. Nash was chosen as Teacher of the Month by the Admin. We sat down with her and asked a few questions about being the administration's choice for Teacher of the Month and these were her responses," If you had one piece of advice for 9th graders what would it be?"

"It would be to take your classes seriously, study, get your grades up, and make sure you're here and ready to learn." "Why did you become a teacher?" "Because I love working with younger people and I want to influence them." "How do you feel about being voted teacher of the month?"

"It feels good to be seen and appreciated, so it made me feel really happy." "Why did you decide to move from 7th grade to 8th grade?" "I wanted to move into science because I'm also certified to teach science, but also I like the idea of being with this group of 8th graders."

We feel like Mrs Nash is really nice and talks and tries to know everybody that she meets.

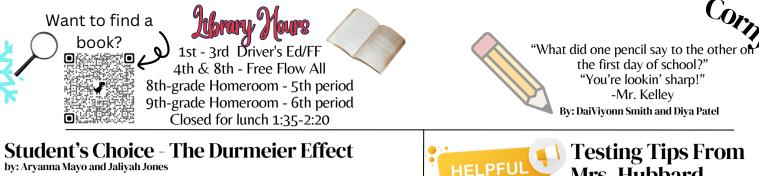


#### The Best of Barnes by: Rachel Woodson , Kellis Bohanon, Brody Wright, and Draylon Thompson



When we were asked who we wanted to learn more about as a teacher here on the MJHS campus, we knew Mr. Barnes would be our first choice. He is more than kind and so patient with us. We love the scene he sets in class and he is always willing to teach us with transparency. When we asked what he likes most about his job he said it's all about the students. He would even work here for free if money were no object. He loves teaching economics and says he "doesn't have a student that is below wonderful". His hobbies are reading the bible and playing video games with his kids. He believes that he is doing what God wants him to do.





Mrs. Durmeier is a sweet and kind person who affects people that nobody else has. Her beautiful and caring personality allows people to feel comfortable around her and share things that wouldn't be told to anyone else. She always has positive and motivational things to say to her students and co-workers to uplift them during hard times. She cares about all her students and everyone's mental health. Mental health is the most important thing in everyone's lives. Without Mrs. Durmeier, there wouldn't be a safe environment for the students. As stated by Mrs.Tracy "Mrs. Durmeier is extremely compassionate about her job and has so much compassion for all the students." When we asked Mrs. West about her friendship with Ms. Durmeier, she said that never has there ever been another human that embodies the spirit of love in just their presence. She believes that everyone should have a Jessie in their lives because she makes the world a better place to be just because she's in it. Student Samuel Posey told us that she was the most loving and kind counselor. Keep being you!



So, God Made a Counselor Written just for our MJHS counselors, Ms. Jackson and Ms. Durmeier And on the 9th day, God looked down on his creation and said, "They need a comforter.' So, God made a counselor.

God said, 'I need somebody willing to come to school hours before anyone else arrives and prepare the schedules, the snacks, clothing, and the day, stay hours after and go home late, only to work more from home. So, God made a counselor.

God said, 'I need someone willing to pour their hearts out to the world but also be willing to put every burden they bear on the back burner and leave their sorrow in the dark while they pick up the troubles of the children and carry them through life.' So, God made a counselor.

God said, 'I need someone who will love on the lost, hug and hold those whom others have broken, comfort the shattered hearts longing for acceptance in a world that leaves children behind, and hold up the struggling child to see the light from their hidden place in life.' So, God made a counselor.

God said, 'I need someone to listen. I need them to listen so intently that they have heartbreak without showing fear. They shed tears and still listen. They take the angriest words and the stolen innocence and use the wronged's ammunition to build them back up again. So, God made a counselor.

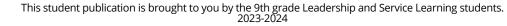
God said, 'I need someone to hear the worst of this world and still see the best in everyone. I need them to cover children in love and forgive relentlessly, without support, without fail, without proper pay, without recognition.' So, God made a counselor.

God said, 'I need someone to come back every day and know that they are facing the same circumstances from the day before, without resolve, only to return the next day to repeat the process.

'And they should have a heart of the softest gold that can open the earth but mend the smallest wounds without making a child feel small, empower them to change the world, and expect no thanks in return.'

So, God made a counselor.





# Mrs. Hubbard

With the testing window upon us, we are desperate to do our very best. Mrs. Hubbard has shared some awesome testing tips with us to help us do the best we can to apply the knowledge we already have.

- First, read through the prompt thoroughly. Then read the passage, brainstorm, and organize your points before you start writing.
- Pay attention to your grammar and organization.
- You can do this!

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8th Grade



### Spotlight On...

By: A'Laya Smith and Da'sia Thomas How old are you? "15." What is your favorite sport? Dance. Favorite Color is Blue What are your college plans? To attend ASU or TSU on a scholarship Current Goals - To get good grades Hardest part of your week? - Testing Favorite subject - Math Favorite TV Show - Moesha What motivates you? - Bribes Do you study at home? - No Favorite Holiday - Halloween Birthday - October 30, 2008

9th Grade

#### New Beginnings of the Front Desk By: Dylan Bell and Mya Harris

Being behind the front desk is a real experience. Ms. Christine says that before Ms. Angie, she had dreaded coming to her job, but now that Ms. Angie is here to help out, that has changed. Ms. Christine also says that she had been overwhelmed doing all this work by herself for years until Ms. Angie căme along. She also wants to give a big thanks to Mr. Crymes for making all the magic happen, because before him the previous principals hadn't been able to add another person behind the front desk, but Mr. Crymes had asked just once and had made it happen. Now Ms. Christine looks forward to coming to work because she knows that her days aren't going to be as stressful as they used to be, and that makes work a lot more enjoyable. She doesn't have a full load on her back anymore. Ms. Christine enjoys Ms. Angie being there and helping out





STUDENTS AT THEIR BEST