

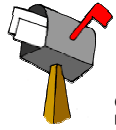


# Hooper Academy Green & White

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## K-5 CLASS



### SPECIAL DELIVERY FOR TATUM & SHAW APLIN FROM IRAQ

I miss and love you both very much. I can't wait until I get back from Iraq to give you a big hug and kiss.

Love Daddy

### Free Tuition

Don't forget, per Board policy, if you refer a family to Hooper, you will receive credit for one child, one month tuition rate. Note: New student(s) must be in school one full month before you receive credit. A letter must be submitted by the family requesting the tuition referral credit.

### Hooper Academy Website

Please take time to go to the Hooper Academy website at [www.hooperacademy.org](http://www.hooperacademy.org). There is a lot of information about the school, pictures, teacher email addresses and past copies of the Green and White.

If you would like something published in the Green and White, please send it to [hcainfo@hooperacademy.org](mailto:hcainfo@hooperacademy.org) by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. This address is for Green and White publications only. Each teacher, administrator and coach has an email address listed on the school website.

The K-5 class of 2008-2009 has begun their year in fun fashion!

On August 1, they had Open House where they were informed of many new and exciting things that would be happening this year and enjoyed refreshments served by the PTA. The evening was a success with almost 50 parents and students in attendance.

When the first day of "Big School" arrived, Ms. Woodham welcomed everyone with a hug and a camera to take a picture of each child and their mom. Once all emotions were intact, a new school year officially began and a great first day of school was carried out.

To conclude the first week of school, the students enjoyed "Cookies with Mom." Each child invited their mom to come to school and have Friday's afternoon snack with them. The students all brought in their favorite cookie recipe and a batch of their favorite cookies. They made a Cookie Cookbook with the recipes and enjoyed the cookies that afternoon with their mom.

The start of the school year for this year's K-5 has been successful. Their routine is in order and learning has begun!

### Football Games Rescheduled

The Termite, Pee Wee and JV games that were rained out Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> have been rescheduled to Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

From the Headmaster

## A Simple Philosophy

My philosophy of life as related to education is really very simple. Life is not complicated. God has a plan for each of us. The biggest responsibility any of us have, as adults, is to set positive examples for our children/students. Children are not as naïve as when I was raised in the fifties and sixties. There are now exposed to so much more garbage and trash than many of us were ever exposed to. No one is perfect. We and our children/students make mistakes, but this is part of life. This is how we learn about life challenges. The lesson we need to learn is not to make the same mistakes over and over.

I believe in commitment to the task and strong discipline. Everything as related to teaching children should be structured. Children do what we let them do, unfortunately, some adults are the same way. As parents, we all wish for our children to have better than we did. And as an educator, one must teach each child as they were their own. We know what we want for our children...we must want the same for those we teach. We must possess love, compassion and understanding.

In today's world, children need more boundaries than ever. We must give children responsibility and hold them accountable. There should be consequences when they mess up. There are no excuses. We either do things right or we don't. We cannot short cut life and be successful.

Children learn from the adults in their lives. We must set positive examples. Winning is a habit. So is losing and failure. We must do things right all the time, not only when it is convenient to us. We are so guilty as human beings of not always doing our best.

As parents and educators we must get on fire for our children. We must show them affection and encourage them. We sometimes have a tendency to demand too much without having compassion for them.

At Hooper Academy, we will continue to work tirelessly and endlessly with each of our students. Everyone involved with our school must feel ownership. Our students are the central focus.

Again, we must have a passion for demanding the best out of ourselves and then in turn seek the best for our children. Being average is not going to get the job done in today's world. A C is as close to an F as it is to an A. I want each of our students to always do their best. It is our responsibility as parents and educators to know their needs and build on improvement. Each of us are individual human beings with individual needs and wants. What excites one person may not excite someone else. We must, therefore, get our children excited about learning and improving their outlook on life. We must prepare them for whatever may confront them when they leave our nest or school. They are the future.

At Hooper Academy we will continuously raise the bar and give our students more than they expect. It is our job to set the standards high and maintain a positive learning environment.

Sincerely,

Dr. Niblett  
Headmaster

Thought... Our outward expression is the results of our inward nature.

## PARENTS AND SENIORS:



It's hard to believe that our summer vacation has ended and "your senior year" has begun. It's going to be a fast-paced and exciting year for all of you. There are a lot of decisions to be made concerning your future goals and ambitions. I will be available to provide guidance and assistance as you determine which direction is the one that you wish to pursue. As many of you know by now I have an open door policy for students and parents and I want to be available to you as you experience this important time in your life.

### **Senior Conferences:**

Please note that **each senior has a required scheduled individual appointment** in the guidance office. This appointment is mandatory in order to determine that each senior is on schedule to graduate, and is taking prompt action toward his or her chosen college or career. These appointments will begin the end of this week. Also, I am available to parents as well who wish to meet with me and discuss the steps we need to take to ensure your students success and future after their senior year.

### **College Opportunities/Scholarships**

Each year a large 3-ring binder is compiled noting any scholarships, college opportunities, deadlines, etc. that seniors need to know. This is information that is mailed to me from various colleges across the nation. The notebook is housed in the Guidance Office, and checked out by students during elective classes. Also, I visit 12G and 12W during English to make them aware of any new information I have received. For those parents interested I am trying to start an e-mail group for any parents who wish to be updated on senior scholarships and college information that I receive in the mail. This would be a monthly update so you all would be informed as to any opportunities available. If so please e-mail me at [kelleycnewell@yahoo.com](mailto:kelleycnewell@yahoo.com) and I will add your name to the list.

### **Deadlines for College Applications:**

**December 1** is the "rule of thumb" deadline for college applications. I believe that it is never too early to be making application with their college of choice. Remember, early application = early acceptance. I am readily available to you and your student to help you through this step by step process. **However, it is very important to contact your college to see what their requirements are.** The internet is the quickest way to access that information. Each college can differ and dates can change from year to year.

## **ACT Information:**

Please note the following information concerning the upcoming ACT (American College Testing Program) important dates for this academic year. Packets are available in the Guidance Office or you may register online at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) I highly encourage the students who register by mail or online to create FREE ACT web account Packets are available in the Guidance Office, or you may register online at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

<b>Test Date</b>	<b>Registration Deadline</b>	<b>(Late Fee Required)</b>
10/25/2008	09/19/2008	09/20-10/03/2008
12/13/2008	11/07/2008	11/8-20/2008
02/07/2009	01/06/2008	01/7-16/2009
04/04/2009	02/27/2009	02/28-03/13/2009
06/13/2009	05/08/2009	05/9-22/2009

## **Selective Service**

All senior young men are required to register with **Selective Service** within **30 days of your eighteenth birthday**. The Selective Service is a government agency whose job is to provide untrained manpower for the Armed Forces if there is a national emergency. You can register online at [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov) or go by the Post Office and complete a registration form.

## **\*\*\*\*\*UPCOMING EVENT\*\*\*\*\***

### **Tri-County Junior League College and Career Night Garrett Coliseum Monday, September 15, 2008 (6:00 – 8:30 p.m.)**

This is an annual event, which affords our **students and their parents** the opportunity of meeting with representatives from colleges across the country, as well as area vocational schools, and recruiters from all branches of the armed services. Please take advantage of this great opportunity. I will be there taking of list of students who attend so that they may receive **extra credit in Mrs. Foster's class**.

Also, be sure to get your copy of “**A Guide to ... Scholarships, Grants, and Loans**” when you check in at the registration area. This book is free and full of scholarship opportunities for which you may want to apply.

**Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors plus parents** are invited to this event.

If I can be of assistance to you, please don't hesitate to contact me at 288-5980 or [kelleycnewell@yahoo.com](mailto:kelleycnewell@yahoo.com)

## Hooper Academy 7th Grader is a member of the NSA State Champions 12U Team



Morgan & Bo Burbage

Morgan Burbage plays softball for the Prattville Girls Softball League 12u. The All-Star team played the pre-area tournament in Chelsea, losing only one game (the first pool play game), finishing in 1st place. The Area Tournament was held in Thorsby and the team finished undefeated taking 1st place again. The State tournament was held in Vestavia Hills the weekend of June 27. Two of the games ended with international tie breakers with Prattville winning. The championship game was tied in the last inning with time elapsed. Morgan Burbage was on 2nd base when a teammate hit a ball to center field and Morgan scored the winning run. Prattville 12U Allstars won the NSA State Championship undefeated.

Morgan's dad, Bo, was the head coach this year.



## Booster Club News

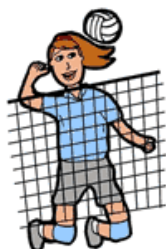
The next meeting will be held on Monday, September 8, 2008, 7 p.m., in the lunchroom.

Thank you parents for selling ads to our Sports Program! The books will be available in the merchandise booth at the first game. This successful fundraiser help keeps our athletic program moving in the right direction.

Don't forget to show your spirit by wearing your Hooper merchandise to the events. Michelle Rhodes can be contacted if you would like to get work assessment hours by helping in the merchandise booth.

Gateworkers needed! Please see Scott Baker or Samantha Casey to work Volleyball or Football gates. They can really use your help!

### Volleyball gets off to good start



The Lady Colts traveled to play a tri-match against Southern Academy and Meadowview Christian Academy. The Colts were defeated by Southern 2 games to 1. Leading the Colts were Tori Flowers and Jasmine Andrews which combined for 23 of the colts 31 kills. Monica Kelly and Elissa Cargile combined for 6 blocked shots. Bethany Casey had 20 assists and Hillary Mathews added 25 digs.

The Colts then played Meadowview in regional play and took them 3 games to none. Leaders were Tori Flowers with 10 kills, Hillary Mathews with 16 digs, Bethany Casey with 19 assists, and Jasmine Andrews with 4 aces.

## 2008-2009 Tiny Termite Pep Squad

I would like to announce the 2008-2009 Tiny Termite Pep Squad. This is a squad of second grade girls that will help support our Termite football players. The girls will also assist the Termite cheerleaders with chants/cheers and will encourage our Hooper Colts fans to keep their spirits up!

The girls also participated in a two hour clinic on Sunday, August 24, learning motions, jumps and cheers for the upcoming football games. They worked really hard and did a great job. I would like to thank four of our JV cheerleaders (Ivy Watts, Kristen Ellis, Rachel Rodgers, and Nikki Flowers), Donna Watts, and Nancy Ray for all of their help with the clinic. I am looking forward to a great season cheering with our Hooper COLTS Tiny Termite Pep Squad!

Tammy Wright

Tiny Termite Pep Squad Coach



Front Row: (L-R), Graycee Williams, Kaitie Ray, Becca Frederick, Amy Whittington. Back Row: (L-R), Lauren Moseley, Stephanie Wright, Janet Sconiers, Samantha Peel, Emmy McElwain.

## Termite and PeeWee Cheerleading News



On Friday, August 8th, the Hooper Academy JV and Varsity cheerleaders hosted a clinic from 8:00am to 5:00pm for the Termite and PeeWee cheerleaders. The morning began with a demonstration from our JV and Varsity cheerleaders. The girls then spent the next hour and a half learning their dance routines. After a short break, they returned to work on their partner stunts. The girls also participated in a jump, motion and cheer class and ended their day with a review of the new material they learned. Although it was a long, hot day, the girls worked hard and got a lot accomplished. I would like to thank Vickie Boyd and Donna Maxwell for their assistance. I am looking forward to another incredible season cheering for our COLTS!

Donna Watts  
Termite and PeeWee Cheer Coach

### JV Cheerleader Fundraiser Cake Raffle



The JV cheerleaders will be selling raffle tickets for delicious homemade cakes such as German Chocolate, Strawberry, Red Velvet, etc. at some of our JV, Termite, and Pee Wee home football games in order to raise money for various cheerleading expenses. The raffle tickets are \$1.00 each, and will be given away at the beginning of the JV game. So, look for our tent at the games, and thank you in advance for your support of our JV cheerleading program.

## “Education Enhancement” Fundraiser

The WMEF Board of Trustees has approved a new fundraiser that requires your participation.....

A new library, new textbooks, completion of the new Elementary Wing, new computers and computer lab, new gymnasium flooring, and building / grounds improvements are just a few of the projects and educational enhancements that have been completed over the last couple of years at Hooper Academy. The Board of Trustees, faculty, and staff of our school are committed to providing the best educational opportunity for our children. Your help is needed to make sure continued improvements are possible.

With the cost of providing education on the rise, additional revenue is needed to ensure that funding continues to be available for enhancement of the overall educational program. With this in mind, the Board of Trustees has approved a new fund raising event that requires the participation of each Hooper Academy family. The policy and specific guidelines are currently under development, but the basis of the program involves the implementation of a Raffle Ticket event that allows each family to generate \$200 for our school by selling tickets for chances to win \$1000 prize awards.

Participation in the fund raiser is required, but families that prefer not to sell raffle tickets will have the option of paying the \$200 without any further obligation. Payments to Hooper Academy for this fund raiser will qualify for tax deduction.

A detailed explanation of the new fund raising policy will be mailed to each family in the next couple of weeks, along with the raffle tickets.

Thank you for your continued support of our school and your willingness to assist with this fundraiser that will serve to enhance the educational opportunity for your children. We look forward to another great and successful school year.

Sincerely,

Board of Trustees

# **DISTINGUISHED FRIENDS OF HOOPER ACADEMY**

The Communications Committee is soliciting nominations for individuals or couples to receive the honor of "Distinguished Friends of Hooper Academy". This will be announced during Half time of the Varsity Home Football Game against Fort Dale on Friday, September 19, 2008. If you know of someone who has gone above and beyond in their dedication and service to Hooper Academy, please submit their names to the school office, attention the Communications Committee. A brief summary of information about the nominee, detailing why you think they should be considered for this distinguished honor should be provided to help the board in making the final decision. All nominations should be submitted no later than September 2nd, 2008.

## **HOOPER ACADEMY ATHLETIC HALL OF HONOR AWARD**

The purpose of this award is to honor the accomplishments of individuals who achieved outstanding performance in Hooper Academy's athletic programs. The award also serves to build support for the athletic program by recognizing outstanding athletes from the past.

Those individuals selected to receive this honor:

- Must have participated in at least one (1) varsity sport at Hooper for at least two (2) full seasons.
- Must have earned an official Hooper diploma at least ten (10) years prior to being nominated.
- Must have exhibited a high degree of sportsmanship while participating.
- Must have continued to exemplify the values encouraged by Hooper Academy.
- Final selection will be made by a committee made up of the Athletic Director, Athletic Committee Chairman, Booster Club President, and Board of Trustees President.
- While it is not a specific criterion for selection, the Selection Committee would encourage the nomination of individuals who have remained active and supportive of the WMEF and Hooper's sports programs after graduation from school.

Please submit all nominations to the School Office to the Attention of the Athletic Committee. All Nominations should be received by October 13, 2008.

The recipient will be announced during Pre- Game Festivities on October 31st at the Homecoming Football Game.

# UU Hooper Academy PTA UU

## Sally Foster Fundraiser

School Wide Goal - \$8,750 profit

Don't forget the added cash incentives of \$25, \$50, \$75 and \$100 available based on level of sales.

Please return your sales packets to your homeroom teacher by Friday, September 5.



Remember to save your Boxtops and Campbell's Soup labels to earn FREE CASH for our school



## PTA Meeting

Thursday, October 16  
6:00 p.m.



## A Note From The PTA Board

Thanks to everyone who came out and supported our Open House. We have had several positive comments on this year's format. We welcome your comments and suggestions on PTA sponsored events and have established an email account for that purpose. [hooperpta@yahoo.com](mailto:hooperpta@yahoo.com)

New Families – we would like to hear from you. What can we do to make your transition to Hooper Academy easier? Was the information in our New Family Package helpful? What additional information would you like to see included?

Also, thanks to the many families who have joined PTA and for those who have volunteered to help. You will be contacted by the event chairman as the date for those events draws nearer.

## Fall Festival

Saturday, October 11

3:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Fun for all ages

Costume Contest    Cake Walk

Art Contest    Ponies    Toy Walk

And Lots More !!



# Calendar of Events

8/28	Thursday	JV/Varsity Volleyball @ Evangel	4:30 p.m.
8/29	Friday	Varsity Football vs. Kingwood (Here)	7:00 p.m.
9/1	Monday	LABOR DAY – OFF ROLL	
9/2	Tuesday	JV/Varsity Volleyball @ Prattville Christian	4:30 p.m.
		Termite/PeeWee/JV Football @ Prattville Christian	5:00 p.m.
9/4	Thursday	Progress Reports	
		JV/Varsity Volleyball vs. Macon-East (Here)	4:30 p.m.
9/5	Friday	Varsity Football @ Pike	7:00 p.m.
9/9	Tuesday	JV/Varsity Volleyball @ Morgan	3:30 p.m.
		Termite/PeeWee/JV Football @ Morgan	5:00 p.m.
9/11	Thursday	JV/Varsity Volleyball @ Lee-Scott	3:30 p.m.
9/12	Friday	Jr. Ring Delivery	10:00 a.m.
		Senior Invitation Order	11:00 a.m.
		Varsity Football vs. Glenwood (Here)	7:00 p.m.
9/13	Saturday	Volleyball Tournament @ Macon-East	TBA
9/15	Monday	JV/Varsity Volleyball vs. Evangel (Here)	4:30 p.m.
9/16	Tuesday	JV Football vs. East Memorial (Here)	7:00 p.m.
9/18	Thursday	JV/Varsity Volleyball vs. Pike (Here)	4:30 p.m.
		Board Meeting	6:00 p.m.
9/19	Friday	Senior Cap/Gown order	9:00 a.m.
		Varsity Football vs. Ft. Dale (Here)	7:00 p.m.
9/22	Monday	JV/Varsity Volleyball @ Crenshaw	4:00 p.m.
9/23	Tuesday	JV/Varsity Volleyball vs. Ft. Dale (Here)	4:30 p.m.
		Termite/PeeWee/JV Football vs. Ft. Dale (Here)	5:00 p.m.
9/25	Thursday	JV/Varsity Volleyball vs. Lee-Scott (Here)	4:30 p.m.
9/26	Friday	Varsity Football @ Lee-Scott	7:00 p.m.
9/29	Monday	JV/Varsity Volleyball @ Edgewood	4:30 p.m.
9/30	Tuesday	JV Football vs. East Memorial (Here)	7:00 p.m.

## Hooper Academy Menu – September 2008

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Holiday	2 Steak Fingers Creamed Potatoes Green Beans Roll  Chef Salad	3 Chicken Sandwich Spicy Fries Ice Cream	4 Pizza Tater Tots Peaches	5 Hot Dog w/cheese-chili Fries Jello  Chef Salad
8 Spaghetti w/ meat sauce Salad Garlic Toast  Chef Salad	9 Hamburger Steak w/ brown gravy Creamed Potatoes Fried Okra Roll  Chef Salad	10 BBQ Sandwich Potato Chips Cole Slaw	11 Charbroiled Chicken Rice Pilaf Green Beans Roll	12 Steak Sandwich Fries Pears  Chef Salad
15 Ham/Turkey/Cheese Croissant Potato Chips Chocolate Cookies  Chef Salad	16 Steak Fingers Creamed Potatoes Field Peas Roll  Chef Salad	17 Beef Stew w/ Rice Green Beans Fried Okra Roll	18 Pizza Fries Baked Beans	19 Chicken Sandwich Tater Tots Ice Cream  Chef Salad
22 Ravioli Grilled Cheese Sandwich Buttered Corn  Chef Salad	23 Country Fried Steak w/White gravy Creamed Potatoes Broccoli & Cheese Roll  Chef Salad	24 Cheeseburger Tater Tots Applesauce	25 Hot Dog w/ cheese-chili Potato Chips Brownie	26 Charbroiled Chicken Rice Pilaf Green Beans Roll  Chef Salad
29 Chicken Sandwich Spicy Fries Ice Cream  Chef Salad	30 Hamburger Steak w/brown gravy Rice Fried Okra Roll Chef Salad			

## Hooper Daycare/K4 & K5 Menu – September 2008

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Holiday	2 Steak Fingers Creamed Potatoes Green Beans Bread	3 Chicken Strips Rice Pilaf Field Peas Bread	4 Pizza Sticks Tater Tots Peaches	5 Corn Dog Nuggets Cheezy Potato English Peas
8 Spaghetti w/ meat sauce Applesticks Corn	9 Hamburger Steak w/ brown gravy Creamed Potatoes Fried Okra Bread	10 Steak Cheezy Potatoes Corn Nuggets Bread	11 Charbroiled Chicken Rice Pilaf Green Beans Bread	12 Pizza Fries Pears
15 Ham/Turkey/Cheese Sandwich Tater Tots Applesauce	16 Steak Creamed Potatoes Field Peas Bread	17 Beef Stew w/ Rice Green Beans Fried Okra Roll	18 Pizza Fries Baked Beans	19 Chicken Sandwich Tater Tots Ice Cream
22 Ravioli Cheese Toast Buttered Corn Peaches	23 Country Fried Steak w/ White gravy Creamed Potatoes Broccoli & Cheese Roll	24 Cheeseburger Tater Tots Applesauce	25 Corn Dog Nuggets Cheezy Potatoes English Peas	26 Charbroiled Chicken Rice Pilaf Green Beans Bread
29 Chicken Nuggets Creamed Potatoes Green Beans Bread	30 Hamburger Steak Rice Fried Okra Bread			

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