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A Few Words from the New Assistant Principal

Hi,

I am Mr. Jackson the Assistant Principal for Student Services. I am excited to be a Marlin, and looking forward to an excellent year. J.R. Arnold High School has made tremendous strides, distinguishing itself as one of the premier high schools in the area. Building upon the foundation already established, I will continue to champion the vision, and mission of the school. I look forward to working with students, parents, educators and the community in fostering an atmosphere which provides opportunities for every student to become successful. If you are on campus stop by student services, and introduce yourself.

“Holding On To A Wave of Excellence”

Samuel T. Jackson, Jr.
 Assistant Principal Student Service



FALL OPEN HOUSE



Please join us for our fall Open House on **Monday, September 22, beginning at 6:00 p.m.** We will begin in the Helen Blackburn Arnold Fine Arts Auditorium with a welcome from the Principal, Dr. John Haley. Parents will then be able to follow their student’s schedule from class to class to meet teachers. Our teachers will share information about their courses and expectations for students. We look forward to seeing you at Open House!

FCAT Retakes

Juniors and seniors who have not passed FCAT reading or math will have the opportunity to retest in October. Any junior or senior who is new to Arnold and has never been tested is also required to test. A passing score on FCAT reading and math is a requirement for graduation. Students will receive information regarding testing locations prior to testing dates.

Tuesday, October 7th	Reading
Wednesday, October 8th	Math

Go Marlins!

Save money buy your Yearbook now!

Yearbooks are now available for purchase ONLINE at www.Jostens.com for \$50.00 plus \$2.00 credit card fee. Yearbooks may be personalized for an additional charge, but only online. Yearbooks will be sold on campus September 8-12 during lunch and at Open House.

Senior Recognition Ads Due October 17, 2008.

Seniors should receive packets in 1st period class the week of September 2.



New Faces Join the Arnold Staff

Jason Bennett – The Blue Thunder Marching Band welcomes its new director. “As a Band Director, it is my philosophy that through hard work, perseverance and dedication, that excellence in music and academics can be achieved. Through my classes, life lessons and disciplines are learned in a “family-like” atmosphere that will carry on into student’s lives after high school. To top everything off, we will perform great music from Earth, Wind and Fire to Mozart. It is my goal the that Arnold High School Band program be one of the top programs in Northwest Florida, that our students lead by example and represent their families, themselves and their school with pride. From what I have witnessed thus far as Band Director, we are one our way to being one of the top band programs in Northwest Florida.



Lisa Green – Arnold is proud to welcome Ms. Green as the new Collegiate Studies guidance counselor. Ms. Green was a counselor for 8 years at Crestview High School. For the last three years she counseled students at the elementary level here in Bay District Schools. She says she is very happy to be back among high school aged students. She enjoys the pace and the excitement of getting her students prepared to enter post-secondary education.



Chris Smith – Mr. Smith is a welcome addition to our Language Arts department. He teaches 10th grade English and Intensive Reading. “I believe that it is a teacher’s job to make learning as real as possible for the students, while providing a safe and structured environment. Showing them how knowledge applies to their individual lives can be a great motivator, and keep them eager to learn. I am really looking forward to boosting school spirit this year at Arnold with the start of our Senior Pep Club as well!”

HOMECOMING 2008



October 3rd will mark Arnold High School's 9th Homecoming game. SGA, Band Boosters and other clubs and organizations have planned lots festivities and celebrations. The theme this year is Carnival and the dates for key events are listed below.

9/29	Odyssey	6:00 p.m.
10/1	Parade	12:30 p.m.
10/2	Luau	5:00 p.m.
10/3	Game	7:30 p.m.
10/3	Dance	After the game

PSAT TEST OCTOBER 15

The PSAT test will be given to ALL sophomores and selected juniors on **October 15th**. The PSAT is a “practice” SAT. It is also used to qualify students for the National Merit Scholarship Program. In the past freshmen in the Collegiate Studies Program have participated. Due to budget cuts, freshmen will not be tested this year. If your student is interested in testing, please contact the guidance department at ext. 3124. If you do not wish your student to be tested, we must have a written excuse from a parent no later than October 10th. For further information please contact guidance.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR SEPT/OCT

September 16	End of Grading Period
September 22	Open House 6:00 Auditorium
September 24	Report Cards
Sept 29 – Oct 3	Homecoming Week
October 7	FCAT Reading Retakes
October 8	FCAT Math Retakes
October 15	PSAT
October 16	Term 6 Exams - 3 rd and 4 th period
October 17	Term 6 Exams – 1 st and 2 nd period (Early Release)
October 27	Report Cards