

McIntosh County School System

Student Handbook

2026-2027





Merwan Massa
Superintendent

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians, Staff, and Community Members:

Welcome to the 2026–2027 school year. It is an honor to serve as your Superintendent, and I am genuinely excited about what lies ahead for our students, our families, and our schools.

This Student Handbook is more than a collection of policies and procedures. It is a reflection of who we are as a school community and a practical guide for how we live out our mission of **Educational Excellence and Equity for All**. We ask every student and family to read it carefully, return to it throughout the year, and hold us to the standards it represents.

That mission is not a slogan. It is a commitment to ensuring that every student in McIntosh County has access to high-quality learning experiences, meaningful opportunities, and the support necessary to succeed, regardless of circumstance or background.

Achieving it requires all of us. When families, educators, staff, community members, and partners work together toward a common goal, we create something no single school or classroom can produce alone. Our students deserve that unified effort, and I am confident we can deliver it.

Our teachers and administrators remain deeply committed to a culture of excellence, accountability, and continuous improvement. Our goal is to prepare students to become productive citizens, critical thinkers, and lifelong learners ready for college, careers, military service, and life. Above all, we are committed to ensuring that every student in this district is **known, valued, challenged, and supported**.

I look forward to a remarkable year ahead. Thank you for trusting us with your most important people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Merwan Massa'.

Merwan Massa
Superintendent
McIntosh County School System



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Home of the Buccaneers

Superintendent

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Mission Statement

Educational Excellence and Equity for All

Vision Statement

To graduate all students prepared for college and/or careers.

Federal law prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin (Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964); sex (Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972 and the Carl Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act of 1990); or disability (Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the American with Disabilities Act of 1990) in educational programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance.

Employees, students, and the general public are hereby notified that the McIntosh County Board of Education does not discriminate in any educational programs or activities or in employment programs or activities or in employment policies.

Inquiries concerning the application of the Perkins Act, Title I, Title VI, Title IX, or Section 504 and ADA to the policies and practices of the Board of Education may be addressed to the McIntosh County Board of Education, 1100B C.A DeVillars Rd, Darien, Georgia 31305; to the Regional office for Civil Rights, Atlanta, Georgia 30323; or to the Director, Office for Civil Rights, Education Department, Washington, D.C. 20201.

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McIntosh County Schools

2026-2027 Academic Calendar

July 2026						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

August 2026						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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30	31					

September 2026						
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October 2026						
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Inclement weather dates: Oct. 9 & 12

November 2026						
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December 2026						
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January 2027						
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February 2027						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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28						

Inclement weather dates: Feb. 12 & 15

March 2027						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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Inclement weather date: March 12

April 2027						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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May 2027						
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30	31					

June 2027						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

Teacher In-Service/PL Days (No School for students)	Break or Holiday (Schools Closed)
Instructional Days (School in Session)	New Teacher Orientation
Early Release Dates NOTE: October 8 th & March 11 th will be used for parent conferences	
NOTE that the following dates may be used for instruction should we encounter inclement weather: Oct. 9 & 12; Feb. 12 & 15, March 12	

Grade Reporting Dates 2026-2027

1st Semester

August 4th through December 18th (90 days)

August 4th - 1st Nine Weeks Begin

****September 9, 2026 (Progress Reports sent home)***

October 8, 2026 - End of 1st Nine Weeks

October 13, 2026 - 2nd Nine Weeks Begin

****October 14, 2026 – (Progress Reports sent home)***

****November 18, 2026 (Progress Reports sent home)***

December 18, 2026 - End of 2nd Nine Weeks/Semester 1

****January 6, 2027 (Report Cards sent home)***

2nd Semester

January 5, 2027 through May 21, 2027 (90 days)

January 5, 2027 - 3rd Nine Weeks Begin

****February 3, 2027 (Progress Report sent home)***

March 11, 2027 - End of 3rd Nine Weeks

March 15, 2027 - 4th Nine Weeks Begins

****March 17, 2027 – (Progress Reports sent home)***

****April 21, 2027 (Progress Report sent home)***

May 21, 2027 - End of 4th Nine Weeks/Semester 2

Report Cards sent home (TGE)

May 21, 2027-Last Day of School

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS



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