

# G. N. SMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

*Thank you*  
**FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

G. N. Smith Family,

Thank you for your participation in our  
Parent Academy for Freckle & AR.

It was great to see you all!

Thank you for your support!

## Friendly Reminders:

- Zoom Sign In: Please make sure your child zoom in with their teacher daily beginning at 7:30 a.m.
- Google Classroom Assignments: Students must complete all assigned assignments in a timely manner.
- Please ensure your child is on his/her best behavior while virtual learning.
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Parents, we need your support to ensure the best for our scholars!

*Have a Merry Christmas!*



**December 1, 2020**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**December 1-4 Midterm Assessment**

**December 7 – IWP Drop Off and Pick Up (7:30 -3:30)**

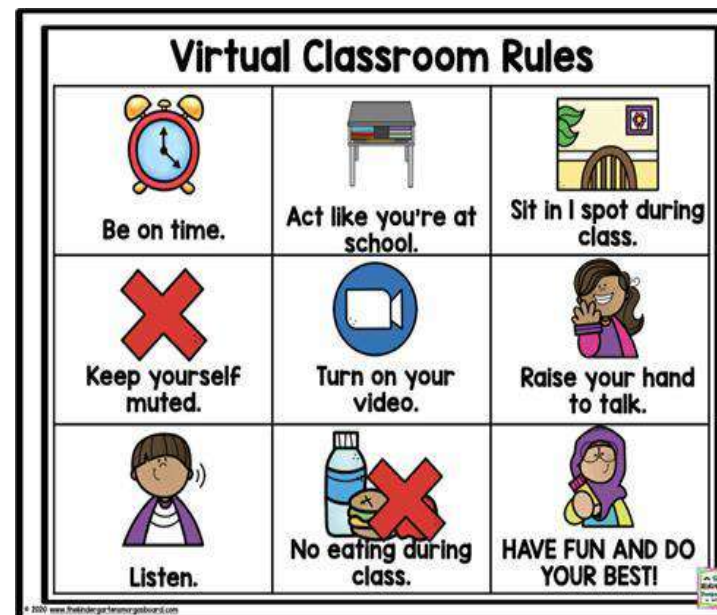
**December 14 – 18**

- **2<sup>nd</sup> Term Benchmark Assessments (See Teacher's Newsletter)**
- **IWP Drop Off and Pick Up (7:30 -3:30)**

**December 21 – January 4  
Christmas Break**

Please view our website!  
<https://www.jackson.k12.ms.us/smith>

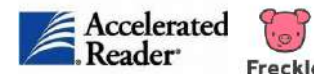
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**Students must be actively engaged in learning at all times.**

**7:30 – 1:30**

Ask your child if they have met their  
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Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Stephanie E. Wilson, Principal

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Annual Fall Festival.

It was great to see our students!!!

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*Have a Happy Thanksgiving!*



**November 2020**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**November 2 – Report Card Distribution**

**November 3- National Election Day**

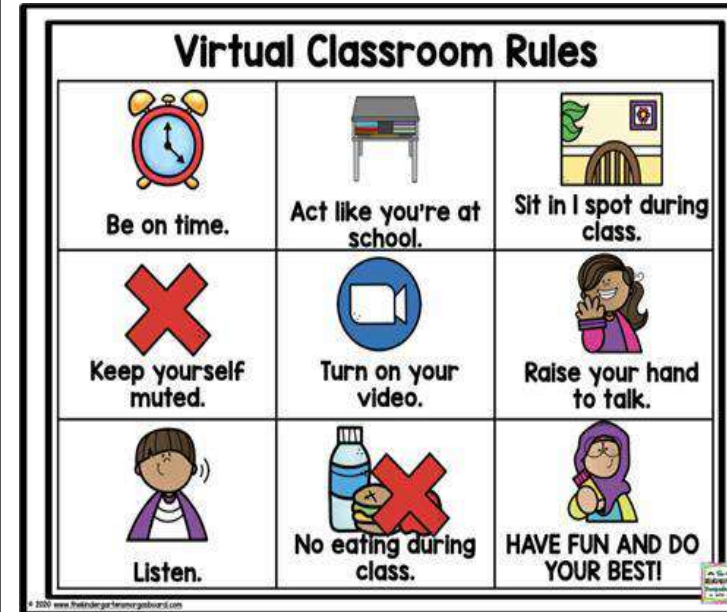
**November 9 – IWP Drop Off and Pick Up (7:30 -3:30)**

**November 16 – Progress Reports IWP Drop Off and Pick Up (7:30 - 3:30)**

**November 23 – 27 -Thanksgiving Break**

**November 30 - IWP Drop Off and Pick Up (7:30 -3:30)**

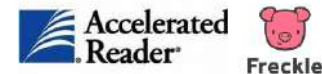
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*Thank you*  
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Thank you for your participation in our  
Annual Title I Parent Meeting.

**We had over 65 participants!!!**

Thank you for all do to enhance your child's  
education!

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- IWP Attendance: Please complete the online survey each day for your child's attendance. The two-question survey can be completed using any mobile device, such as a smartphone. The link to the survey will be available daily in Active Parent.



**October 2020**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**October 12 – FALL BREAK**

**October 13 – 20**

**1<sup>st</sup> Term Benchmark Assessments**

**October 21 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Term Begins**

**October 29 – FALL FESTIVAL**

**(1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.)**

**\*October 30 – Report Card  
Distribution ( 8:00 a.m. – 3:30  
p.m.)**

**November 1 – Daylight Saving  
Time Ends**

## MCKINNEY -VETO HOMELESS

Jackson Public Schools is a recipient of the McKinney-Vento Education for homeless Children and Youth Program Grant. This grant provides for activities and services to homeless children, including preschool children and homeless youth, that enable the children and youth to enroll, attend and succeed in school. If you need assistance, the Homeless Liaison for Jackson Public Schools is Dr. Faith Strong. She is located at Enochs, 101 Dr. Dennis Holloway Drive, Jackson, MS 39203, 601-960-8885.

Campus Contact: Dr. Cenovia Burnes,  
School Counselor  
cburnes@jackson.k12.ms.us  
601-987-3525

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## STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Teachers will take attendance daily, but the meaning of attendance changes—virtual learning attendance is more about **engagement** than physical presence.

- **Active Time Spent in LMS** – This indicates the time a scholar is active in a course that is logged and recorded by a learning management system (LMS) and is used by the District as a method to track participation in the course.
- **Scholar Submissions in an LMS** – This indicates required coursework submissions by a scholar in a course that is logged and recorded by an LMS and is used by the District as a method to track participation in the course.
- **Other Indicators in an LMS** – This indicates specific feature(s) that are logged and recorded by an LMS and is used by the District as a method to track participation in the course.
- **Teacher Tracked Work Time** – This indicates the time a scholar is actively working on group projects and/or offline work that is logged and recorded by the course teacher and is used by the District as a method to track participation in the course.
- **Teacher and Scholar Communication** – This indicates academic-based communication between a scholar and the course teacher or the teacher and parent/guardian and is logged by the teacher and is used by the District as a method to track participation in the course.
- **Other Indicators Tracked by the Teacher** – This is a description of scholar participation activities that are logged and recorded by the course teacher and is used by the District as a method to track participation in the course.



September 2020

## UPCOMING EVENTS

September 7 – Labor Day Holiday

September 8 – 18

Kindergarten Readiness Assessment

September 14 – Mid -Term  
Assessments

September 22 – Teacher  
Professional Development (1:30pm)

September 23 – Site Council  
Meeting (12 noon)

September 24 – Annual Title 1  
Meeting (6:00 p.m.) Virtual  
Meeting

## ATTENDANCE GUIDANCE FOR TEACHERS AND PARENTS

- **Synchronous Online** – Scholars attending school virtually will log in to the LMS during homeroom. Teachers will record attendance for the scholars and submit them to the office for input into the scholar information system by the office staff.
- **Asynchronous Online** – Attendance will be captured daily through engagement with the LMS.
- **Asynchronous Offline (Print Assignments)** – Attendance will be captured through a survey that will be accessible through [Active Parent](#) or [Active Student](#). The survey will be active from 6:45 a.m.–5 p.m.

### How Attendance Participation May Look:

- Attending video conference sessions.
- Participating in threaded discussions.
- Completing and submitting assignments (Note: Scholars without a device or connectivity will submit paper-based assignments.)
- Taking an assessment online and/or paper/pencil.
- 1:1 communication via phone/email/Canvas or Google Classroom.

Elementary schools will use the learning management system for tracking scholar engagement and academic progress. All scholars are expected to have contact with their classroom teacher daily.

PARENTS, YOUR SUPPORT IS GREATLY  
APPRECIATED. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT  
US AT 601-987-3525.



# G. N. SMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## WELCOME BACK G. N. SMITH FAMILY!

During this unprecedented time, ongoing learning remains essential for our scholars as the foundation for future grades, courses, and post-secondary plans. The shift to learning from home is how we can continue to support our scholars in their K-12 education. Continued learning is essential. The approaches we take – as a region and as individual districts – must account for the varied realities of our scholars. In order to ensure equity in opportunities and outcomes, our scholars' learning needs are a vital charge of our work and actions.

Please view our district's website to learn more about the Jackson Public School District

## VIRTUAL LEARNING PLAN

<https://www.jackson.k12.ms.us/Page/11680>



**August 2020**

## VIRTUAL LEARNING PLAN SCHEDULE

Time School Event

7:30-7:45 a.m. School Begins

7:45-9:45 a.m. Instructional Block

9:45-10 a.m. Break

10 a.m.-12 p.m. Instructional Block

12-12:30 p.m. Lunch

12:30-1:30 p.m. - Freckle/ Open  
Office for Parent Conferences/  
Contact

1:30-3:30 p.m. Accelerated Reading  
Block

## VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

### Sunday, August 9

Pre-Kindergarten: 1:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 443 193 8289 Passcode: 1234

Kindergarten: 2:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 875 4431 5475

Passcode: Bq4VKP

1<sup>st</sup> Grade: 4:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 868 8099 6977

Passcode: FirstGrade

### Monday, August 10

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: 6:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 510 144 1707 Passcode: 2020

3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: 6:30 p.m.

Meeting ID: 728 926 4797 Passcode: 23JIM78

### Tuesday, August 11

4<sup>th</sup> Grade: 2:00 p.m.

Meeting ID: 247 764 0745 Passcode: 1VKT19

5<sup>th</sup> Grade: 11:00 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

Meeting ID: 981 8998 8791 Passcode: 2021