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A Newsletter from the Superintendent

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Five Selected for Induction into Fifth Class of FCSD3 Athletics Hall of Fame

Three former athletes and two former coaches/department contributors will be inducted in the fifth class of Florence County School District Three's Athletics Hall of Fame Friday, September 28.

Quentin Robinson, Brian McFadden, Marcus Simmons, Dr. Lane Floyd, and Jeff Henneghan will be inducted during a halftime ceremony of Lake City High School's football game against Loris at Ward Memorial Stadium.

The Athletics Hall of Fame recognizes outstanding athletes, coaches and others who contribute to athletics from current and past high schools in the district.

"We are honored to induct these five outstanding individuals in the 2018 Hall of Fame class," said Lake City High School Athletic Director Matt Apicella. "From top to bottom, these inductees helped shape Lake City High School athletics by creating a standard of expectations that resonate even today."

Any athletic alumnus, coach, or significant department advocate is eligible for nomination by an alumnus of a current or former high school in Florence County School District Three. A nominee must be at least five years removed from graduation or employment with the district. The selection committee is comprised of the FCSD3 Superintendent, Lake City High principal, athletic director, assistant athletic director and district communications director. Nominations must be submitted to the athletic director.

Dr. Lane Floyd

Dr. Lane Floyd graduated from Lake City High School in 1965 and returned home to start a 26-year career in Florence County School District Three.



Floyd began his career in the classroom and coaching football and golf, but soon made his way into administration as an assistant principal at Lake City High School. From 1983-89, he served as the principal of LCH before moving into the role of Assistant Superintendent from 1989-91. In 1991, Floyd was named as the Superintendent of FCSD3 and began a 10-year journey focused on improving the districtwide facilities with an emphasis on the dated athletic fields.

Dr. Floyd is responsible for the construction of the baseball and softball fields at Lake City High School as well as the addition of the current gymnasium and athletics offices and locker rooms. He also oversaw the renovation of Ward Memorial Stadium with new playing turf and also the demolition of the original concrete stands which were replaced by the current aluminum bleachers. Dr. Floyd made sure that financial and personnel emphasis was placed in the athletic department to ensure the growth and success of the programs. Outside of the athletic department, Floyd approved the construction of the Lake City Early Childhood Center, additional classroom wings at four elementary and intermediate schools, and oversaw the complete renovation of the current Blanding Street location of the FCSD3 District Office. Dr. Floyd received the S.C. School Boards Association's Outstanding Superintendent Award and was named Administrator of the Year by the S.C. Association of School Administrators, the Educational Administrator of the Year by the S.C. Association of Educational Office Professionals, Tech Prep Superintendent of the Year by the S.C. Department of Education and Superintendent of the Year by the S.C. Vocational Directors Association.

After retiring in 2001, Dr. Floyd returned in 2012 for a five-year stint on the FCSD3 Board of Trustees.

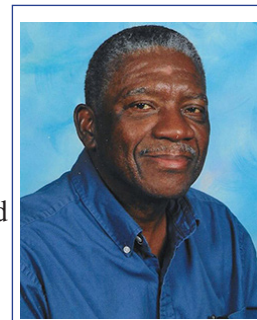
Dr. Lane Floyd resides in Lake City with his wife of 41 years, Susan Weathers Floyd. The couple has two sons, Jim and Scott, and four grandchildren: Elijah, Eleanor, Evelyn and Isaiah.

Jeff Henneghan

A 1963 Carver High School graduate, Jeff Henneghan was the backbone of not only the Lake City High School Athletic Department, but numerous other Lake City High School endeavors over his 45 year career.

After graduation, Henneghan began a long career in the United States Army and Army Reserves. He was a decorated member of the Vietnam War and Operations Desert Shield and Storm.

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In 1972, Henneghan graduated from Morris College with a B.S. in Physics and began his career with Florence County School District Three. During his career, he taught various sciences for over 30 years. Upon leaving the classroom, Henneghan took over several roles including truancy, administrative assistant and technology specialist. Over the course of his career, he coached basketball, football and baseball, but he made his biggest mark in the athletic department by handling the ticket sales at every Lake City High School athletic event for over 25 years. Henneghan also personally handled all concessions operations including organizing the staff, inventory and ordering.

Jeff Henneghan retired from Florence County School District Three in 2017. He has been married to his wife, Linda, for 48 years. The couple has two children: Dr. Tedric C. Henneghan and Dr. Jenisha L. Henneghan.

Brian McFadden



Brian McFadden was an integral part of the Panthers' dominant wrestling program of the early 2000s and a key performer on Lake City's 2002 SCWCA state championship squad. A 2003 Lake City High School graduate, McFadden compiled an impressive four-year career as a four-time region champion, two-time Lower State champion, three-time All-State performer, two-time third place state individual finisher, and the 2003 140-pound Individual State Champion.

McFadden was named the 2003 AAA Wrestler of the Year, was named to 2003 North-South All-Star Wrestling squad, participated in the 2002 Senior Wrestling Nationals, and finished his career with more than 125 wins. He also lettered two years for the Panthers' football program.

Following graduation, McFadden signed to wrestle collegiately at Spartanburg Methodist College where he was a two-time National Junior College qualifier. After gaining his Associate degree in business at SMC, McFadden completed his Bachelor's degree in business at USC-Upstate and also his Master's degree in management and leadership.

Brian McFadden currently resides in Spartanburg and is the owner of BM Service Professionals.

Quentin Robinson

Quentin Robinson graduated Lake City High School in 2002 as a three-sport standout.

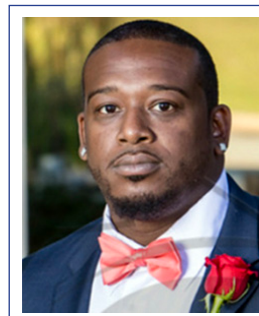
On the gridiron, Robinson was a two-way starter at offensive guard and middle linebacker for Coach Mickey Moss. A 3-year letterman, Robinson was a two-time

All-Region selection, a two-time All-State honoree, and finished his career with over 300 tackles. He was named to the 2001 WPDE All-Zone team and participated in the 2001 North-South All-Star football game.

Robinson was also another key cog for Coach Mark Tillotson's wrestling program and 2002 SCWCA state championship team as a four-year letterman, three-time region champion, two-time All-State honoree, and 2002 AAA Individual State Champion at 215-pounds. He was named to the 2002 North-South All-Star Wrestling team. Robinson also lettered two years in baseball for the Panthers.

Robinson signed to football at South Carolina State University, but his career was cut short by injury.

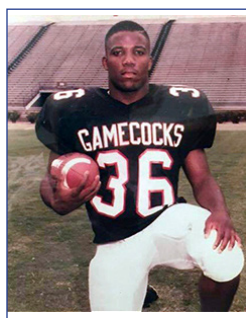
Quentin Robinson is currently the Chief of Police for the Atlantic Beach Police Department. He is married to Ashley (Burgess) Robinson, and the couple has three daughters, Camille (10), Destiny (6), Isabella (2), and son Quentin, who passed away in 2013.



Marcus Simmons

Marcus George Simmons was a 1993 Lake City High School graduate. Known for his blazing speed, Simmons carved out an impressive four-year career for the Panthers in football and track.

A four-year starter for Coach Mickey Moss, Simmons played quarterback, tailback, and defensive back over his career. A three-time All-Region selection, Simmons rushed for 650 yards and nine touchdowns as a junior despite missing five games due to injury.



During his All-State senior season, Simmons overcame a preseason ankle injury to still gain 949 yards and tally 14 touchdowns. He was named as one of the top 200 high school football recruits in the nation by Max Imfinger Recruiting.

Also a standout on the track, Simmons was a four-year state qualifier in sprints and relays. He was a member of the Panthers' 1993 State Champion 4x100 meter relay team.

After graduation, Simmons signed a football scholarship with the University of South Carolina Gamecocks.

On July 5, 1998, Marcus Simmons was tragically lost in a car accident. He is survived by his parents, Mr. George Simmons and Mrs. Clemestine Rainey, stepmother Jacqueline Simmons, siblings Crystal Simmons-McClam, Samantha Rainey, Elliott Simmons and Jatrell Simmons and daughter Sharmaine Simmons.

Main St. Awarded 21st Century Grant

Main Street Elementary School of Arts in Florence County School District Three has been awarded a 21st Century Community Learning Center grant, a four-year, \$183,700 federal grant awarded through the South Carolina Department of Education.

The 21st CCLC supports the creation of community learning centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities during non-school hours for children, particularly students who attend high-poverty and low-performing schools. The program helps students meet state and local student standards in core academic subjects, such as reading and math; offers students a broad array of enrichment activities



that can complement their regular academic programs; and offers literacy and other educational services to the families of participating children.

"We are really thankful to be the recipient of the 21st Century Community Learning Center grant," said Dr. Sharon Williams, principal

of Main Street Elementary. "These monies will help us create an afterschool program where our students feel safe and want to show up, and where genuine learning occurs. Not only will this program allow us to provide additional academic enrichment opportunities, it will provide students with STEM and arts activities," she added. "Most importantly, this program will help more of our students meet state academic standards."

The purpose of the 21st Century Community Learning Centers program is to create centers that provide academic enrichment opportunities that support what is learned in the classroom. The programs are unique because they also provide an array of enrichment activities. Together, the centers show students the real world connection to what they learn in the classroom and how they can improve their communities.

Main Street Elementary in partnership with the Lake City Boys & Girls Club has designed afterschool and summer programs to address the academic and wellness needs of 100 students in grades 3-6.

The program is also designed to enrich the lives of students by providing meaningful experiences through the arts. The program will take place on the campus of Main Street Elementary, Mondays – Thursdays from 2:45-5:30 p.m. The 30-week program will begin in September and continue through the end of April.

The summer program will operate for a total of four weeks. The school will identify students in need of academic assistance based on data from the state standardized testing and other assessment tools. Using these criteria, the school will recruit 100 students on a first-come, first-served basis.

SESA Student Recognized as a Hero

During a special presentation on Tuesday, August 21, the South Lynches Fire Department honored Tabitha Eaddy, a student at Scranton Elementary STEAM Academy for her heroic actions during a fire at her home during the summer.

The presentation, by SLFD officials Debbie Altman, Robbie Steele and Anthony Eaddy with Tabitha's mother, Tiffany Eaddy, in attendance, was made in the school auditorium.

In an interview with the *Morning News*, Tabitha said she and her family had returned home earlier that day from a trip to Illinois. That night, she said, she woke to find a fire in the bedroom she shares with her younger sister.

Tabitha said she and her sister escaped from the bedroom and she then woke her parents and another sister. The family, along with their pets, was able to get out of the house unharmed, although the home sustained damage.

Captain Debbie Altman, an administrative assistant and public information officer with South Lynches Fire Department, said Tabitha's actions saved her and her sister.



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Students Experience Virtual Reality with zSpace at Olanta Magnet School

The students in first through fifth grades at Olanta Creative Arts and Science Magnet School received a visit from zSpace, a mobile virtual reality lab, Tuesday, September 4.

The students had the opportunity to explore robotics, anatomy, nature and architecture programs using specialized glasses and software. They each received an experience to interact with the same technology that cardiologists, architects and scientists use while they are in training.

Not only did the students enjoy the experience, but staff members also interacted. Eyes lit up as they interacted with a human heart, a robotic arm and 3-D blueprints of a three-story house. This was a unique experience that they will not soon forget.

A special thanks to Sam Lucchese, regional director for zSpace, as well as his assistant Mr. Carlos for stopping by to share such an amazing experience.



Myers Spends Summer Teaching STEM to Students Throughout the Country

Main Street Elementary teacher Rashad Myers took advantage of an opportunity to teach and advise in the fast-growing field of STEM over the summer.

Mr. Myers was able to participate in valuable training in Virginia before traveling to various states to educate many of the nation's brightest scholars. He shared that the most enjoyable part of his experience involved facilitating learning in different regions of the United States. He taught in Los Angeles, CA (Occidental College); Houston, TX (University of Houston); and in Winston-Salem, NC (Wake Forest, NC), respectively.

While in the classroom, he and his students completed hands-on, interactive lessons involving crime scene investigation, medicine, and engineering. Students were able to build and program robots, dissect beef hearts and utilize cutting edge technology, just to name a few things.

"Teaching scholars of diverse backgrounds, ethnicities and cultures helped me grow immensely as an educator," Mr. Myers commented. "More importantly, leading scholars to new plateaus of learning and fostering positive

relationships with them was most rewarding."

Most impressively, Mr. Myers had the opportunity to lecture in many of the same buildings where the 44th President of the United States, Barack Obama, studied. Mr. Obama was a student at Occidental College for two years before transferring to Columbia University.

Mr. Myers says that he is grateful for a wonderful summer experience, and looks forward to using what he learned to help his students this year achieve at their highest potential.



New Weight Management Program Available Through State Health Plan

There's a new weight management program available that allows members to learn the skills to lose weight and keep it off while still eating their favorite foods.

In this clinically proven online program, Naturally Slim will teach members it's not what they eat, but when and how they eat that will help them lose weight. Plus, they will reduce your risk for chronic diseases like diabetes and heart disease while increasing their chances of living a longer, healthier life. Naturally Slim is available at no cost to members. Learn more at www.naturallyslim.com/PEBA.

State Health Plan members age 18 and older can apply to participate. Medicare primary members are also eligible

to apply. Naturally Slim is a 10-week, online program that uses weekly video lessons and interactive tools to teach the behavioral skills necessary to lose weight and keep it off long-term. Each week, participants will watch lessons at their convenience on their computer, smartphone or tablet through the iPhone or Android apps. Then, they will receive a full year of support after the first 10 weeks.

The first program begins Monday, September 24, and there are five more programs scheduled through 2019. Eligible members should have received a postcard and an email with details on how to apply for the first program.