Innovation Spotlight
Cooking Up Learning

Dupont Elementary teacher Tarah Kemp shows us that you can have fun while learning! Through a partnership between teachers and local chefs, her program Cooking Up Learning connects cross-curricular standards and early STEM practices by cooking in a culinary lab while preparing 3rd-5th grade students with real-world skills beyond the walls of the classroom. Since founding the program, Tarah has lined up more than a dozen partners to work with her students in the culinary lab.

Reminder! November 13th is a half day for students
Teacher Recruitment Fair

Hamilton County Schools is seeking great teachers for Spring 2020 and the 2020-2021 School Year! If you are interested in learning more about teaching in Hamilton County, join us for our Fall Teacher Recruitment Fair on Wednesday, November 13 at Ooltewah High School from 5-7pm. Register here.

Improving Elementary Literacy Instruction

Hamilton County Schools is restructuring elementary literacy instruction by implementing a best practices framework in elementary schools and studying two research-based curricula in 19 pilot schools. The two curriculums chosen for the pilot are Core Knowledge Language Arts (CKLA) and EL Education (EL) because they receive high reviews from independent, state, and local education departments, include curriculum material that combines grade standards-based social studies and science information into the language arts materials, and they promote grade-appropriate texts that are complex, rigorous (meet state standards) and worthy of student reading (builds background knowledge). The pilot schools are: Alpine Crest, Bess T Shepherd, Barger, Battle, Clifton Hills, Daisy, Donaldson, East Brainerd, East Lake, Hardy, Hillcrest, Lakeside, Normal Park, Ooltewah, Orchard Knob, Red Bank, Thrasher, Wallace A Smith, Woodmore.
5th grade rocket launch with Mayor Coppinger at Big Ridge Elementary

Hixson High School's Future Ready Institute of Health Careers and Medical Advancement visit CHI Memorial
Allen Elementary PTA paints pawprints in the car line

The Chattanooga Symphony’s Wind Quartet visits Soddy Elementary School
Hixson High Science Troupe facilitated science experiments with students at Hixson Elementary

Loftis Principal Mary Catherine Gatlin receives Hamilton County PTA Council’s Principal of the Year Award and Loftis’ Jazz Band performed at the PTA Council’s State of the Schools event
David Carrol visits Dupont Elementary's fourth grade class
Soddy Daisy High Forensics Team placed 2nd overall at the Austin East tournament

Students at Soddy Elementary School read to each other to learn and build relationships
North River teachers participated in the Public Education Foundation's Teacherpreneur Pitch Night! Emily Hurst (Left), teacher at Soddy Daisy Middle School, has an idea for her students to partner with STEM School students to meet with community members and identify problems that the city of Chattanooga is currently facing, develop a solution, and propose that solution back to the community member. Stacey Bandy (Right), English & Leadership teacher at Sequoyah High School, came in 3rd Place with her idea for students to design, manufacture and market portable
putt-putt courses to local schools, increasing their skills in their trade areas and will connect their math and reading skills to the marketing aspect of the project.

Have a story or picture you want to share? Click here!

Community Engagement

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

McConnell JA in a Day
November 15

&

East Brainerd JA in a Day
November 22

Make a difference in a student's life today!

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Chattanooga Green Prix Goblin Fun Run
Come cheer Hamilton County students on as they challenge each other in cars they designed and built! Elementary schools participating are Brown, Clifton Hills, Hardy, Harrison, Lookout Valley, Orchard Knob, and Rivermont.
END OF SEASON TOURNAMENT

November 12th
4:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Finley Stadium

Battle | Brown | Dupont |
East Brainerd | Hixson |
Red Bank | Wallace A. Smith

Please join us as we kick off our 50th Anniversary Celebration!

2019 Family Day at WTC
November 10th
1 pm - 4pm

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Calendar

November 13- Half Day for students / Half Day Teacher Professional Development
Teacher Recruitment Fair
November 21 - Board Meeting
November 27-29- Thanksgiving Holiday

North River Schools
Allen Elementary | Big Ridge Elementary | Daisy Elementary

DuPont Elementary | Hixson Elementary

McConnell Elementary | Middle Valley Elementary | North Hamilton County Elementary

Soddy Elementary | Hixson Middle | Loftis Middle | Soddy-Daisy Middle | Hixson High

Sale Creek Middle-High | Sequoyah High | Soddy Daisy High

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