



The Cougar Forum
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You can now follow the Transportation Department on Twitter. This will be the platform for bus delays.

@JMCSS_BusAlerts

who will represent JCM-ECH in Leadership University for the 2017-2018 school year. Mr. Clark and his art students will have an art exhibit at the Madison County Library this winter. The art classes will also have art work on display at Jackson-Madison County General Hospital this fall. It is going to be a great year!

Principal Lewis

Principal's Message

What a summer! Three students and a teacher won a trip to San Francisco for their web design pages. Eight students and two teachers went to a STEAM Conference in St. Louis. One student became a Junior Olympian in the Javelin Throw. Twenty-four students took classes on the campus of Jackson State Community College. Two new classrooms were completed to allow for more space at JCM-ECH. These were just a few of the accomplishments of JCM-ECH students this summer. On August 28th, forty-five JCM-ECH students began their journey as college students. These students will take three classes at Jackson State Community College on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. They will return to JCM-ECH each day to take Algebra II. Last year we had over a ninety percent success rate of students receiving college dual-credit in the four different courses we offer on JCM-ECH campus. Students at JCM-ECH in 2016-2017 completed 963 hours of college credit. Students at JCM-ECH and JSCC in 2017-2018 should complete over 1500 hours of college credit. Unbelievable! I assure you it is possible. We have five students

Upcoming Dates:

September 4

No School: Labor Day

September 6

Progress Reports

September 14

1/2 Day Students
 P/T Conferences 12-6pm

September 15

No School for Students

October 9-13

Fall Break

October 17

Report Cards

New Faculty Members at JCM-ECH

Mr. Lutz has been in the system since 2008. He started his career as an English teacher at Jackson Central-Merry Academy of Medical Technology where he spent 5 years also serving as assistant football coach and head softball coach. Since that time, he has been an instructional coach, a principal, and an assistant principal in JMCSS schools on all levels. He has extensive experience in reading and writing instruction, and loves teaching literature.



Mr. Lutz has been married for nearly 12 years and has 4 children: Eli, Hannah Kate, Abraham, and Shepherd. He is incredibly excited to be at JCM-Early College High School and has already seen that the sky is the limit for the hard-working, talented students here. Mr. Lutz wants you all to know that while talent and intelligence are great, it is hard work and determination that make all the difference. "It doesn't matter where you have been," Mr. Lutz said, "Only where you are going."

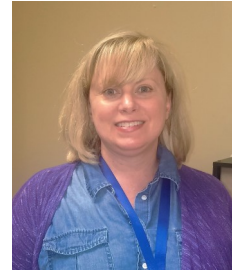
Parents, log into PowerSchool to see your child's grades, attendance and to message their teachers. Questions? Call (731) 506-2585.



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More New Faculty Members



Ms. Pruett, Teacher

Ms. Camille Wood Pruett is a new addition to JCM-ECH, where she teaches English I and English II. She has been an English teacher for 20 years, teaching every level from 8th grade to English IV Honors. For nine of those years, she taught in JMCSS, and she taught at JCM Academy of Medical Technology for seven years. Ms. Pruett is from Milan, Tennessee, where her son Ethan is a senior. Ms. Pruett is glad to be back home at JCM, and she is looking forward to the challenge of a new year!



Mrs. Williams was born in Humboldt but moved to Jackson with her family and was educated in Madison County schools from 1st through 12th grade. After graduating from North Side, she earned a Bachelors of Science in Mathematics from Spelman College and a Bachelors of Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Tech.

She spent 6.5 years living in the Detroit area working in the automotive industry in product development and technical sales. She returned home shortly after 9-11 and began teaching in 2002 at West Jackson Learning Center. She began teaching at Liberty when it opened in 2003. During that time, she taught everything from Pre-Algebra to Pre-Calculus and Dual Enrollment Statistics.

She is married to Clarence, and they have two children who attend Northeast and Pope. She enjoys volunteering with her daughter's Girl Scout Troop, traveling, completing brainteasers, attending her children's sporting events, and helping with ministry work.

Congratulations Cougars!

Somer Day participated in AAU track this summer and won a total of four medals in the areas of Javelin Throw, Shotput and Long Jump.



Somer now holds 3rd place in the Javelin Throw for the State of TN! She also advanced to the Junior

Olympics in Detroit Michigan, which was held at Eastern Michigan State University on July 28-August 5th! Congratulations Somer! We are very proud of you!

Cinque Peggs spent part of his summer creating a new website for the Jackson Madison County Library with three other top coders from West Tennessee. Cinque is an excellent representation of a JCM-ECH Cougar!



Ashley Crump, Kiya Garmon and Cinque Peggs were recipients of an all-expense paid trip to San Francisco which included personal tours of major tech companies, such as Facebook and LinkedIn. The competi-

tion and trip was sponsored by the DevCatalyst program and theCO. Ashley, Kiya and Cinque were chosen based on their excellent websites, outstanding video interviews, and teacher grade. They were among an elite 23 winners out of several hundred who competed. These Coding Cougars impressed the judges with not only their coding skills, but with the Cougar spirit of professionalism and respect. As Mrs. Thomason says in Coding class, "Peace, Love, Rock & Code."

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