

The Velma Jackson High School Chronicle



Principal Kirkland

Mr. Carey Kirkland enters his second year as the principal at Velma Jackson High School. He is a graduate of Alcorn State University and Mississippi College. He has been an educator for twenty-four years. Mr. Kirkland loves his job so much that he stated, "It is a privilege to work at Velma Jackson High School." His goal for the 2018-19 school year is to grow and

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improve as a school, faculty and staff. Also, he feels that a lot of practice and repetition is vital to improving academics and test scores, which is why VJ's motto is **Motivate. Educate. Graduate.** In his spare time, Mr. Kirkland enjoys golf and watching football.

Orlando Truss
12th Grade

IMPORTANT DATES

Open House	Aug 14
VJ at Ridgeland	Aug 16
Canton vs VJ	Aug 24
VJ at Provine	Aug 31
JROTC	
Get to College	Aug 28-30



CHEER

The Velma Jackson Varsity Cheerleaders attended the UCA Cheer Camp at The University of Southern Mississippi this past summer. While at cheer camp we received the following awards - Most Improved and 3rd Place in Cheer Performance! We are looking forward to a cheerful football and basketball season!

Tamia Brewster - 12th Grade

The VJ Falcons Varsity Cheer Team, 2018-2019

Wendalyn T. (Captain)

Jamiyah W. (Co-Captain)

Delesha B.

Tamia B.

Shamara L.

Raja J.

Skylawn T.

Raniyah M.

Caldetria A.

Keirrya F.

Kanya F.

Christina R.

Debreanna T.

Alaela M.

Jasmine W.

Coach Euell

Coach Euell stated that he is very excited about the upcoming football season at Velma Jackson High School. As two of the senior football players, Coach Euell has placed high expectations on his seniors from a leadership standpoint on and off the football field. With a schedule in place of 5A, 4A, and top 3A programs, Coach Euell knows that his team is prepared for the tough schedule ahead, and he knows the tough schedule will prepare his team for the road to a championship. When asked about winning it all, Coach Euell said "He will be elated to win a 3-A Championship, but he knows that to win a championship his team will have to take it one game at a time."

Justin Kelly and Khristjon Walker - 12th grade

Meet the Counselor

We had the pleasure of interviewing the school's guidance counselor, Dr. Candice Allison. She has been at Velma Jackson High School for six years. Her goal at VJHS is to help all students find their personal education and career goals, which will ensure that they become productive and contributing citizens of their community. Dr. Allison is a graduate of Mississippi College where she obtained her Doctorate degree. Also, Dr. Allison stated that she taught Social Studies for three years and she was a reading teacher for three years, too. She served as a speech therapist for three years as well.

Kevin McInnis and Desmond Washington - 10th Grade

Happy Birthday

Nicolas Jackson - August 4th
 Edrea MaGee - August 6th
 Coach Draine - August 12th
 Derrick Carter - August 17th
 Jeleesa Washington - August 20th
 Justin love - August 25th
 Anthony Scott - August 30th
 Unique Webber - August 30th
 Mrs. T. Brown - August 31st

OPEN HOUSE & MEET THE FALCONS

This year's Open House was held Tuesday, August 14, 2018, at 6:00 P.M. in the auditorium at VJHS. Parents and guardians came out to support Velma Jackson as we started another blessed, productive, and safe school year. Also, they were able to "Meet the Falcons!"

Jordan Griffin - 12th Grade

Coach Day

Coach Day is very excited to be coaching her second year of Volleyball at VJ. She feels that even though her team is young they can compete with their opponents and meet their goal, which is to place in the district's top three. Coach Day has faith in her young ladies and she is looking forward to a successful season. Go Lady Falcons!

Nala Johnson - 11th Grade

From the Desk of Ms. Green

Ms. Perry Green is entering her fifth year at Velma Jackson High School. She attended Belhaven University and Mississippi College and majored in education. She taught elementary and middle school from 2nd to 8th grade. She did not want to pursue any other career other than becoming an educator. She says, "Education is her calling." She believes Velma Jackson High School will continue to soar and improve academically every year. Also, Ms. Green believes that the students at Velma Jackson have greatness in them and they are most definitely equipped and well-able to become anything they want to be in life.