

# Disque Middle School

## PTSO Newsletter

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### *Points of Interest*

- Aug. 2 Student Orientation  
9:00 am- 6th grade  
11:00 am- 7th grade  
1:00 pm- 8th grade
- Aug. 10—First Day of School
- Aug. 19 Fall Pictures/  
Cap and Gown
- Aug. 22 -2:00 pm Magazine Sale Kick-off
- Aug. 22 -5:00 pm PTSO Board Meeting
- Aug. 22 - 6:00 pm PTSO Meeting/Open House
- Sept. 5 Labor Day  
Holiday
- Sept. 7 Magazine Sales  
End
- Sept. 13 Pep Rally/  
Home Football Game:  
DMS vs Oxford 5:30
- Sept. 19 Away Football  
Game DMS vs Cherokee  
County 5:30
- Sept. 20 End of 1st 6  
weeks
- Book fair Sept. 23-30
- Sept. 26 Report Cards-  
Pick up at school  
3:00-6:00 p.m.
- Sept. 26 Pep Rally @  
DMS Home Football  
Game: DMS vs Etowah  
5:30 p.m.

## Principal's Message

August, 2005

Dear Parents and/or Guardian,

Welcome to Disque Middle School! We look forward to another wonderful year working with you and your student throughout the 2005-2006 school year. We have a great school year planned and hope that you are excited at what is in store for your children. For your child to be successful in school, it takes a cohesive partnership between the parents and the faculty. One of the positive opportunities for the parents to become a fixture here at Disque is the PTSO. To join the PTSO, contact Joni Smith. Through the PTSO, you can serve on committees that deal with everything that goes on at Disque Middle School. We welcome any support that you can provide throughout the year.

As many of you know, or will come to find out, the middle school years are some of the more trying times in a student's life (parents as well). As an old proverb says, "It takes a village to raise a child". That is never truer than during these trying middle school years. Parents, teachers, support personnel, and administrators need to work together to assist the students in achieving their academic goals. The students will be going through many changes while at Disque Middle School; it will be up to all of us to keep them on the right track. You as parents, can do this by volunteering, meeting with teachers, meeting with the administration or by having lunch with your child (please stop by the office first).

Please familiarize yourself with the policies of Gadsden City Schools and the State Department of Education. Pay close attention to the Truancy policy that was adopted by the State Department of Education. We would like to thank you for giving Disque the opportunity to educate your child. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact us at 547-6341. There is a bright future for Disque Middle School and we are happy that you are going to be a part of it.

Sincerely,

Joel W. Gullede  
Principal, Disque Middle School





**2005-2006  
DMS Jazz Band**  
Directed by Brian Bankston

**Saxophone**

Emily Smith, Alto Sax  
Olivia Ogletree, Alto Sax  
Yogi Patel, Alto Sax  
Allie Ajamougli, Alto Sax  
Julianna Strawn, Tenor Sax  
Rebecca Abel, Tenor sax  
Sam Abel, Bari Sax

**Trumpet**

Thomas Baxter  
Albert Kwan  
Thomas Sirna  
Me'Keal Diamond  
Alicia Bradford

**Trombone**

Hal Rhea  
John McCord  
Amanda Richey  
Tirrell Davis

**Rhythm Section**

Kirkland Back, Piano  
Shyla Hossain, Piano  
Josh Miles, Guitar  
David Whisnant, Bass  
Ralls Pennington, Drums  
Chris Coats, Drums  
Carl Byer, Drums  
Daniel Blackburn, Drums

**2005-2006 DMS Cheerleaders**  
Sponsor: Demetria Brown

Kristin Ball, Courtney Bowling,  
Carly Dial, Jasmine Fikes,  
Brittany Higgins, Megan Hill,  
Kariah Moon, Olivia Ogletree,  
Rabon Pennington, Morgan Smith,  
Hayden Williams



***Points of Interest***

- Oct. 3 Pep Rally-Eura Brown 2:00/Home Football Game DMS vs Pinson 5:30
- Oct. 10 Inservice/ Parenting Day (No School)
- Oct. 10 Home Football DMS vs Southside 5:30
- Oct. 17-19 Fall Break
- Oct. 24 Away Football Game DMS vs Pell City 5:30
- Nov. 3 End of 2nd Six Weeks Grading Period
- Nov. 8 Report Cards
- Nov. 10 Veteran's Day Program
- Nov. 11 Veteran's Day holiday/No School
- Nov. 14 PTSO Board Meeting 5:00
- Nov. 14 PTSO Meeting 6:00 (Strings/ Christmas Dazzlers/ Football Team & Coaches Introduced)
- Nov. 22 Miss Merry Christmas Pageant / SGA Christmas Dance
- Nov. 23-25 Thanksgiving Holidays
- Dec. 20 End of 3rd Six Weeks Grading Period
- Dec. 22 Christmas Holidays Begin

**2005-2006 DMS Dazzlers and Tiger Paws**  
Sponsors: Jan Andrew and Myra Reagan



**DAZZLERS**

Captain-Kirkland Back  
Co-Captains-Amanda Richey and Emily Smith  
Camree Agee, Ebony Crum, Demika Dates, Desiree' Goggins,  
McKenzie Honaker, Jasmine Jackson, QuaDiva Jackson,  
Charmaine Lane, Ja'Anna Pierce, Comesha Pruitt, Julia Ryle,  
Kelcey Sandridge, Valerie Smith, Amy Tomlinson, Raven Veasy,  
Macall Walker, Cierra Williams

**TIGER PAWS**

Danielle Hodge, Jasmine Taylor,  
Spencer Guest, Chandreka Richardson,  
Tenesha Williams,  
Dorothy Dusendschon, Kristen Heard, Sandreaka Ash

Tigerette Managers -  
Emily Smith and Amy Tomlinson.

# Disque Faculty 2005-2006

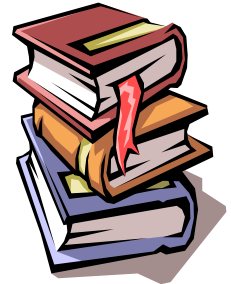
**Joel Gulledge- Principal    Laura Smith Assistant Principal    Debra Staton- Counselor**  
 Jan Perkins- Bookkeeper    Carla Banks- Secretary    Deborah Richey- Media Specialist  
 Kristy Robinson- Nurse    April Johnson- Library Assistant

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Carol Eubanks- Resource  
 Deana Dotson- Science  
 Myra Reagan- Reading  
 Beth Wilson- Math  
 Elaine Akins- Language  
 Jane Reynolds- Social Studies  
 Dr. Linda Godsey- Special Education

**Custodians**

Mark Bishop  
 Sherrell Tolton  
 Tracie Phipps



**7<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Teresa Walker- Special Education  
 Latoya Wise- Math  
 Kendra Tolleson- Math  
 Demetria Brown- Social Studies  
 Latorria Rigby- Language  
 Jan Andrew- Reading  
 Melissa Turner- Reading  
 Ben Monk- Science

**Lunchroom**

Michelle Works  
 Inga Phillips  
 Annette Blackwell  
 Yvonne Dudley  
 Kristin Miller



**8<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Zac Skidmore- Social Studies  
 Carolyn Lockey- Language  
 Dana McCarver- Reading  
 Kevin Peterson- Science  
 Constance Montgomery- Math  
 Michael O'Brien- Math  
 Sandra Ashley- Special Education



**Electives**

Leigh Ann Johnson- Family & Consumer Science  
 Rene Firestone- Computer  
 Lesley Guthrie- P.E.    Kori Walker- P.E.  
 Brian Bankston- Band    Claudia Shelton- Strings



Betty Kilgo- Art



**2005-2006 DISQUE MIDDLE  
SCHOOL  
PTSO OFFICERS AND  
BOARD MEMBERS**

PRESIDENT Joni Smith

1<sup>ST</sup> VICE PRESIDENT (Programs)  
Sheila Freeman

2<sup>ND</sup> VICE PRESIDENT  
(Membership) Barbara Hill

SECRETARY Teresa Rhea

TREASURER Michelle Schuerr

ALLOCATIONS Deana Williams

PUBLICITY Carla Upton

NEWSLETTER Debbie Leach

CITIZENSHIP Susan McCord

VOLUNTEERS Jean Blass

HOSPITALITY Jenny Spencer

CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS  
Marianne Lewis & Jerre Baxter

QUIZ BOWL Monika Hossain

BILL FORD GAME  
Chris Thomason & Derrick Austin

SOCK HOPS Ann Cummans

COKE/SNACK SALES  
Nikki Hayes & Kevin Amberson

REWARD PARTIES  
Shelly Hester & Jane Koury

BOOK FAIR J.T. & Trish Harrell

PTSO SPECIAL PROJECTS  
Nancy McCorkle

PTSO SPRING DANCE  
Greg & Darlene Dial

## PTSO President's Notes

I trust that each of you had a wonderful summer vacation and are ready to begin another exciting school year at Disque Middle School! Your PTSO has been hard at work throughout the summer months organizing and planning our activities for the upcoming year. We have a great group of parents who have agreed to serve on PTSO Board and I appreciate their commitment. Parental involvement is such an integral part of the success of our school and in the life of our students. I encourage each of you to be involved at Disque Middle School – we need your support. Here are some of the ways that you can be of assistance.

**VOLUNTEER** - There are a variety of ways you can assist us and become a PTSO volunteer. We ask for each of you to complete our volunteer survey form – these will be available at orientation, PTSO meetings, and in the main office. Throughout the year there will be many events and projects requiring additional volunteers – volunteers can be parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc. We are not picky - we welcome any warm body willing to help.

**JOIN PTSO** - We ask that each of you become a member of Disque PTSO. The cost of a single membership is \$3.00 and a family membership is \$7.00. The money we receive from membership dues is essential in completing the goals we have set for this year. Last year PTSO was responsible for generating about \$10,000.00 in total funding raised entirely from membership dues, a couple of fundraisers, and a few private contributions. This money was put right back into the school for use in the Science Lab, the Library, student rewards & recognition, classroom equipment & supplies, etc.

**ATTEND PTSO MEETINGS** - Our first PTSO meeting will be Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the gym. This will also be the night of Open House where you actually follow your child's daily schedule and meet with each of their teachers. At every PTSO meeting we feature different areas of our student activities and provide you with a little entertainment. You will be able to hear what is happening at Disque from Mr. Gulledge, the PTSO and others. Please make an effort to attend all of our meetings – we only have a total of four meetings, so put them all on your calendar!

**MAGAZINE SALE** – On August 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will kickoff our **PTSO Magazine Sale** – our only fundraiser for the year. All funds generated from this sale will be given back to the school and used for our Science Lab – Phase II. The sale will run through September 6<sup>th</sup>. We hope that every student can sell at least one or two magazines – these can be new subscriptions, renewals, or given as a gift. Please help our students make this sale a big success!

I hope that everyone will have a great year at Disque Middle School! Feel free to call me (Joni Smith) at 413-1103 or 442-3758 with any questions you have concerning our PTSO.

Joni Smith  
2005-2006 PTSO President



### Hey Students!

PTSO will be selling drinks and popsicles after school on certain days. Be sure to bring your spare change and "treat" yourself!

