



## Westside celebrates a new year

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Westside High PBIS Coach

How ironic that this is how we started the new PBIS season?

How in the world are we to achieve this oxymoron ... together but apart, or apart and yet together?

But somehow you—Westside—have achieved this delicate balance of being together, yet six feet apart.

I've watched you collaborate, help, and grow this month. So now it's time to take it to the next level!

How do we reward faculty, staff

and students in this strange new environment?

Let's first be intentional! Let's be innovative! Let's be imaginative! Finally, let's be inclusive!

Everyone needs and should be celebrated because we are in this together!

Here's to an intentional, innovative, imaginative, inclusive new PBIS season.

Won't you join us?

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## We celebrate you!



Janet Grier



Parker Smith

The Westside High School family celebrated in August by recognizing several individuals for their acts of service.

Janet Grier, ROTC instructor, was named the PBIS Teacher of the Month.

Parker Smith, Media Center clerk, was named PBIS Staff of the Month.

During August, Bibb County School District teachers received professional learning about the district's new learning management system, Canvas.

For their selfless service to Westside, Apeksha Mehta, math instructor, and Taralynn Watts, science instructor, were recognized with a Certificate of Service and Appreciation



Apeksha Mehta



Taralynn Watts

## The Goal of PBIS

- Prevent the development and the intensifying of problem behavior
- Maximize academic success for all students



## PBIS is All About Being Positive

## Recognitions & Celebrations

**PBIS Student of the Month**

**PBIS Teacher of the Month**

**Perfect Attendance**

**Zero Office Discipline Referral (ODR)**

**Behavior Improvement**

**(Virtual) Shout-outs**

**Faming Hot**

## Meet our PBIS Coach/Coordinator



### Ms. Jeeja Kannanayakkal

Dr. George is the Science Teacher at Westside. She received her Biology degree, Masters in Biology, M Ed degree, MPhil degree (Biology and Education) and Doctoral degree from various universities in India. She has been an educator for 23 years and is still going and growing in her profession. She has been married for 24 years; she and her husband raised her son to become a part of society with positive social skills to serve people with a kind heart.

Dr. George was the PBIS Teacher of the month October 2016 at Calhoun County High School, Ga and PBIS Teacher of the month September 2019 at Westside High School.

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*PBIS is an acronym for Positive Behavior Interventions and Support*

It is a school-wide integration of the following:

- A systems approach for building capacity
- A continuum of behavioral supports
- Prevention focused efforts
- Instructionally focused behaviors
- Data information analyzed and utilized on a frequent basis

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## PBIS Team

**PBIS Coach**

Jeeja Kannanayakkal

**Team Leader**

Donna Wright

**Recorder**

Apeksha Mehta

**Timekeeper**

Candice Roberson

**Data Specialist**

Joseph Martin

**Administrator** Lisa Thompson

**Communications**

*Internal* Dominique Nichols, Jenny Gordon

*External* Mark Paschal (social media public relations)

**Parent**

Santina Bagley

**Student**

Coray Collins

**Team Member**

Eboni Poindexter

**Team Member**

Tamara Serls

**Team Member**

Vashun Tobler





## **We are prepared**

### **Virtual Expectations**

#### *Entering the Virtual Classroom*

- Follow directions
- Laptops/Computer fully charged.
- Log in on time or before time.

#### *Teams/Canvas*

- Have all materials and supplies ready
- Actively participate in instruction.

#### *Video Conferencing*

- Be on time.
- Check your audio and video setting prior to starting.
- Use appropriate background setting.

#### *Independent Work*

- Stay focused on the task at hand.
- Schedule time for each assignment.
- Ask questions if you have them.
- Attempt to find the answer on your own.

#### *Breakout Groups*

- Be familiar with moving from General Session to Breakout Groups.
- Ask for help if you don't know how to move to your breakout room.

#### *Communication(s)*

- Speak with purpose – have a reason to speak
- Use proper netiquette
- Dress appropriately
- Use the "Raise Hand" icon in TEAMS

#### *Exiting the Virtual Classroom*

- Exit only when teacher dismisses.
- Know where to locate pending assignments.



## **Hold self accountable**

### **Virtual Expectations**

#### *Entering the Virtual Classroom*

- Be on time and ready to learn.
- Use crosswalks and sidewalks
- Follow outlined arrival and dismissal procedures

#### *Teams/Canvas*

- Complete and turn in assignments on time.
- Accept constructive feedback

#### *Video Conferencing*

- Be present during instruction and group sessions.
- Be engaged and participate in group meetings/discussions

#### *Independent Work*

- Be sure to meet the submission deadline.
- Take ownership of your learning and behavior
- Accept constructive feedback
- Be engaged and participate in your individual assignments.

#### *Breakout Groups*

- Move directly to your assigned breakout group.
- Encourage each other to stay on topic.
- Complete the work together. (No one person should be doing all the work of the group.)

#### *Communication(s)*

- Use academic language
- Speak clearly into device
- Focus on speaker on the screen.

#### *Exiting the Virtual Classroom*

- Complete exit assignment before leaving.
- Log out After teacher dismisses the class.



## **Show respect for all**

### **Virtual Expectations**

#### *Entering the Virtual Classroom*

- Say "Good Morning"! Greet the teacher.
- Use profanity-free language; Use appropriate language when posting or asking questions.

#### *Teams/Canvas*

- Use profanity-free language;
- Use appropriate language when posting or asking questions

#### *Video Conferencing*

- Use the "Raise Hand" icon to ask a question.
- Maintain your place in line
- Wait patiently to be served

#### *Independent Work*

- Listen quietly while others are speaking
- Use profanity-free language
- Use self-control

#### *Breakout Groups*

- Use the chat to respond when others are talking.
- Respect others' cultures, opinion and viewpoints.
- Maintain positive conversation

#### *Communication(s)*

- Think first before typing a message or speaking.
- Listen while others are speaking.
- Wait your turn.
- Use kind, respectful words.

#### *Exiting the Virtual Classroom*

- Wait for the teacher to dismiss the class, then logout. Completely Logout of Teams/Canvas.
- Say, "Have a great day!"

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**VISION**

Each student will demonstrate strength of character and will be college or career ready.

**MISSION**

The Bibb County School District develops a highly trained staff and an engaged community dedicated to educating each student for a 21st century global society.



"Educators have an amazing opportunity at hand. Embrace this opportunity to make history. We are forerunners leading a virtual race, while teachers and students are growing collectively."

**WHS Administrative Team**





*Business Tagline or Motto*



