# What's Happening on the Boulevard

1 September 2025



## Here's what has happened in the last month and what's to come!

Welcome Back! As we kick off a brand-new school year, we're thrilled to see the campus roaring with energy, enthusiasm, and Wildcat pride!

August was packed with excitement and school spirit! Here's a recap of what we've accomplished together:

- Spirit week brought vibrant energy and unity across campus.
- Our athletes gave it their all in their football games volleyball games, and softball games showcasing true Wildcat determination.
- We witnessed incredible commitment from our students, teachers, coaches, and staff. Thank you for your dedication!

We also hosted an insightful educational session with administration and support staff. This event provided valuable clarity on school policies and grade-level expectations helping set the tone for academic success.

"We don't fold under pressure, we turn it into fuel. Laney runs on heart, hustle, and heat."

Wildcats for Life #OneTeamAndWinning

## Upcoming Events for September:

Sep 1<sup>st</sup> Labor day holiday

Sep 12<sup>th</sup> Fall Progress 1 Reports #1

Cross Country Schedule: Sept 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> at Diamond Lakes at 5:30pm

Softball Schedule: Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> against Glenn Hills, 10<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> against Butler, 17<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> against Josey

See last page for football and volleyball schedule



New Teacher Spotlights

Lucy C. Laney High is proud to announce the arrival of six distinguished educators joining its faculty this academic year. With diverse backgrounds and impressive credentials, these new team members are set to enrich the Wildcat community both inside and outside the classroom. Among the newcomers is Mr. Riley, who is teaching Environmental Science and Biology. Coach Rodriguez, a Laney alumni and former State Champion leading receiver; he returns to his alma mater to lead and mentor student-athletes. His legacy on the field and commitment to excellence make him a powerful role model for aspiring players.

Dr. Brisbane brings a wealth of academic achievement, holding three degrees and a certificate, including a Doctor of Education in Performance Improvement Leadership. Her expertise is expected to elevate instructional standards across the board. Joining the World Languages department is Mrs. Rapp, the new Spanish teacher. With over a decade of teaching experience and two degrees to her name, she adds depth and global perspective to Laney's curriculum. Mr. Armstrong teaches Literature and is working on a Masters of Art in Teaching. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Health Science. Rounding out the group is Mr. Myricks, a proud graduate of Florida A&M University and a retired U.S. Army veteran. His leadership and life experience will be invaluable asset to the Laney community.



#### Spirit Week Spotlight

To kick off Spirit Week, students embraced "Back to the Books" Monday also known as "Nerd Day" by showcasing their scholarly style. On Tuesday, we celebrated "Twin Day," pairing up with friends in matching outfits. Wednesday took us on a journey through the decades, as students dressed in vintage fashion from "Decades Day." Thursday was all about team pride with jerseys and hats representing our favorite sports teams. We wrapped up the week with a high-energy pep rally on Friday, wearing our Wildcat colors to show off our school spirit.

Throughout the week, our Wildcats demonstrated outstanding participation and enthusiasm. Spirit Week not only highlights our vibrant school culture but also strengthens our sense of community.



## School Policy Reminders

At Lucy Craft Laney High School, we are committed to fostering a positive and productive learning environment for all students. It is essential that we consistently follow school policies and expectations.

- Cell phones are permitted only in the cafeteria. They should remain out of sight and unused during instructional time.
- All students are expected to adhere to the district and school dress code policy.
- Wearing hoods and/or headphones are not allowed during school.
- Regular attendance is crucial for academic success and participation in extracurricular activities.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping us maintain a focused school environment.

## Staff Profile Highlights



Dr. Middleton

Dr. Middleton has served as principal of Laney for approximately 3.5 years. He was drawn to Laney because of the rich tradition and legacy. He is eager to support students as they prepare to cross the finish line of their K-12 journey. He leads with a belief in perseverance, high expectations, and collective success. Laney doesn't just prepare students for the future; it empowers them to create it.

At Laney, we live by the motto: We W.I.N. We Work hard, Ignite purpose, Never quit.



Mrs. Prescott

Mrs. Prescott, our dedicated Assistant Principal. She joined Lucy C. Laney High School in January 2025 and is excited to be part of the Wildcat family. Before this role, Mrs. Prescott worked as a Special Education Program Specialist at Central Office. With both parents being proud Laney alumni, returning here feels like coming home. "The beautiful thing about learning is nobody can take it away from you."



Dr. Bush

Dr. Bush is our dedicated Assistant Principal. Laney chose her three years ago, the same year the Class of 2026 began their journey. Since then, Dr. Bush has grown alongside this class, sharing in their triumphs, challenges, and milestones.

Her message to the Class of 2026 is a powerful one: "Carry with you not only knowledge, but also life lessons, resilience, and the certainty that you were truly loved by so many on the Blvd."



Mrs. Fields

Mrs. Fields, our dedicated Assistant Principal. She has served as an educator at Laney High School for over 38 years. She serves as the administrator of 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students and her responsibilities include overseeing attendance, Advanced Placement (AP). "Persistence will get you there Consistency will keep you there."



Lucy C. Laney

Lucy C. Laney is a prominent African American educator and an advocate for social change such as structure, culture, and behavior.

Lucy C. Laney is known for founding the Haines Normal and Industrial Institute in Augusta, Georgia which served kindergarten, junior high, and nursing programs for black children.

Laney was originally located in a basement of a church until merging with A.R. Johnson High School and Haines Normal and Industrial Institute in 1949 to create the High School we all know as Lucy C. Laney High School.



## Stories of impact: Laney's Football Encouragement

On Friday, August, 22nd, Laney took the win home against Hepzibah High. This win shows the resilience Laney's football players and coaches have. The players worked hard on and off the field which helped them win 32-12.

The team members contributed their win to their continued practice, perseverance, and sportsmanship. To make the team work, they rely on three key concepts: discipline, communication, and practice. The team also contributed their win to the dedication and support of their coaches.

This is only the first of many wins to come this season. The team says that practice and perseverance will ensure they keep winning.

"Work hard, Ignite purpose. Never quit"

#### September Game Schedule:

#### **Junior Varsity Football**

Sep 17<sup>th</sup> Laney vs HHS Sep 25<sup>th</sup> Laney vs Butler

#### **Varsity Football**

Sep 5<sup>th</sup> Game at Oglethorpe Sep 12<sup>th</sup> Laney vs Greene County Sep 26<sup>th</sup> Laney vs Thomson

#### Volleyball

Sep 4<sup>th</sup> RCTCM, Josey Sep 16<sup>th</sup> Johnson, Glenn Hills Sep 18<sup>th</sup> Burke County, RCTCM Sep 23<sup>rd</sup> Davidson, Glenn Hills Sep 25<sup>th</sup> Burke County, Butler

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