Title One School

Glenn Hills Middle School History

**Previous Principals:** **Current Principal**

Ms. Bertha Sutton (1996-2001) Dr. Bernard Chatman, (January 2015-Present)

Dr. Ishmal (2001-2002)

Mrs. Audrey Spry (2002-2004)

Mr. Hartley Gibbons (2004-2007)

Mr. Glenn Andrews (2007-2015)

Glenn Hills Middle School is a public, suburban middle school located in Southwest Richmond County. At its initial opening in 1996, under the leadership of Bertha Sutton, GHMS had an enrollment of 1,108 students making it the largest middle school in the county. Over a four year period, the enrollment declined slightly, but by 2000 enrollment had grown to 1,128 students.

Our student population has steadily declined over the years due to transient families and the opening of Freedom Park School on the military Base of Fort Gordon, GA. The current population is approximately 723. The Teacher/student ratio is approximately 30:1. Our current demographics are as follows: African American 97%, Caucasian 2%, Multiracial 1%, special programs, such as Gifted 0.9%, and Students with Disabilities 9.0%. Our students also participate in a Community Eligibility Option which allows students to eat free breakfast and lunch at no cost.

Our school support staff includes: 2 Assistant Principals, Teachers, Self-Contained Teachers, Counselors(1 full time/1 part-time), School Nurse, Paraprofessionals, Media Specialist, Media Specialist Assistant, Bookkeeper, Data Clerk, Intervention/ISS Teacher, Instructional Coaches (ELA & Math), Intervention Specialist, Parent Facilitator, Resource Officer, Custodians and Food Service Workers.

We have two Mentoring Programs at GHMS. They are **Ladies of Excellence** and **The Gentlemen of Distinction.** Other School Programs include 21st Century After-School Program and Saturday Academy.

GHMS has several clubs and Organizations for our students. They are FBLA, Math Team, The Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl, and Student Council.

Glenn Hills Middle School Athletics has been very active since its inception. Our athletics include: Girls & Boys Track Teams, Girls Softball, Boys Baseball, Boys & Girls Basketball, and the Cheerleading Squad. The school has won numerous Awards and Championships over the years through our athletic program.

Teacher Training is ongoing with classes on Best Practices, Common Core, Georgia Performance Standards (GPS), Differentiation Strategies, At Risk Students workshops, Summer Employment, Math Strategies, Reading and Writing Workshops.