

September 9, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am pleased to announce that Croom High School has five educators who were selected to undergo the process for National Board Certification, which is the highest level of licensing an educator can attain.

Our Fabulous Five educators working towards this achievement are Mrs. Gaines (Mathematics), Ms. James (English) Ms. LaVoy (English) Mr. Nelson (Special Education) and Dr. Lanier-Williams (Career Technical Education).

As a part of their process, Mrs. Gaines, Ms. James, Ms. LaVoy, Mr. Nelson, and Dr. Lanier Williams are required by the National Board For Professional Teaching Standards to submit short audiovisual recordings and/or photographs of lessons being taught in your child's classroom. Although the recordings and photographs will show or involve scholars, the primary focus is on the teachers, not on the scholars. In the course of their journey to national certification, your child's image and/or voice may be recorded on the video, and your child may be photographed, with the recordings and photographs then submitted to the National Board. Samples of student work to demonstrate teaching practices may include your child's work.

Please click <u>here</u> to read the full disclosure statement from the National Board, before deciding whether or not you will allow your scholar to participate (or not participate) in this initiative.

Should you have any questions and/or concerns, please feel free to contact any of our Fabulous Five educators using the email addresses below.

- Mrs. Gaines paulette.gaines@pgcps.org
- Ms. James angela.james@pgcps.org
- Ms. LaVoy rachael.lavoy@pgcps.org
- Mr. Nelson brian.nelson@pgcps.org
- Dr. Lanier-Williams r.lanierwilliams@pgcps.org

On behalf of the Croom Family (the Croomily), I thank you in advance for supporting our educators as they start the journey towards National Board Certification.

Educationally yours,

Greer M. Bacchus, Acting Principal,