



"STEAM is an educational approach to learning that uses Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts and Mathematics as access points for guiding student inquiry, dialogue and critical thinking." - Susan Riley, Institute for Arts Integration and STEAM



Welcome to Hawks Nest STEAM Academy – a North Carolina STEM School of Distinction! We are so excited about the new school year. At Hawks Nest, we are committed to building the foundation for your child and promote an atmosphere where all students can thrive. We define thrive as children loving school, excited about learning, growing in all areas and taking the knowledge they gain here and applying it in real life.

Our vision is to create a learning environment that inspires success and a lifetime of learning for our students which will prepare them for careers in the fields of scientists, engineers, mathematicians and many other areas of expertise. Our mission is through parent, teacher, student and community partnerships, to provide innovative opportunities for all students to become problem solvers through educational opportunities in a safe, nurturing and creative learning environment. Our goal is to accomplish these things while instilling in your child the following skills necessary to promote problem solving, critical thinking, exploration and success.....

- Build character and good citizenship
- Set high academic expectations
- Provide a learning environment that promotes innovation, creation, exploration, problem solving, risk taking as well as collaboration
- Provide a safe, secure, and nurturing environment
- Provide quality teaching and learning by highly qualified staff
- Engage parents and community as partners
- Put our resources towards results
- Use data to meet the needs of individual learners

I trust you will find the contents of this handbook informative and useful. It is designed to answer questions about the daily operation of our facility. If you cannot find the answer you need here, contact me or a member of our office staff. Thank you for entrusting your child(ren) into our care. It is our pleasure to serve you and make this school year the best ever.

Tammy Mims Principal

<u>ENROLLMENT</u>

Students enrolled at Hawks Nest were selected through the lottery process and must continue to meet the transfer requirements established by Gaston County Schools which is to remain in good standing academically, behaviorally and in the area of attendance. Any student not meeting any one of these requirements will require a parent conference with administration to discuss a plan of action.

TRANSFER REQUIREMENT GUIDELINES

<u>Attendance:</u> 5 unexcused absences will result in watch status and 10 unexcused absences result in students being transitioned back to their home school. Students must also be picked up by 3:55 each day unless on safety patrol, then must be picked up no later than 4:00. Students with excessive tardies will be notified about watch status after 8 unexcused tardies and may be transitioned back to their home school after 12 unexcused tardies.

Behavior: Students reaching the behavior tier equivalent to office referral will get a verbal warning about the type of behavior and replacement strategies to be used as well as a parent phone call. The 2nd office referral will result in a 1 day behavior lab and watch notification letter sent to parents as well as phone call. The 3rd office referral will result in a day of OSS and students will be transitioned back to their home school.

<u>Academic:</u> Students must participate in the academic program of our school. Parents of students who refuse to collaborate, complete assignments or are not making academic growth will be contacted immediately by the homeroom teacher. Repeated violations will result in an administration conference with parents, plan created and watch status. Transition back to home school will result if no improvement is made or the student does not maintain academic progress needed to be promoted to the next grade level.

THE SCHOOL DAY

- 8:00 Earliest time for students to arrive ALL DROP OFF OCCURS IN BACK LOT.
- 8:30 Daily tardy bell students should be unpacked and ready to learn. Instruction begins at 8:30.
- 3:30 Students Dismissed ALL PICK UP OCCURS IN REAR LOT.

Students are expected to be in school from 8:30 to 3:30. Students arriving after 8:30 are tardy and must be brought into the office by their parents/guardians to be signed in. Car traffic will end at 8:30 and parents will need to drive to the main parking lot, park and escort their child into the office to sign them in for the day.

If students must be checked out early, they should be signed out before 3:00. No early check out will be made after this time as we are preparing students for the end of the day. Photo ID is required to sign out students, regardless of relationship.

Students must be in school until 12:00 to get credit for being present.

Arrival Procedures

- All students arriving by car should be dropped off in the circle at the back between 8:00 8:30. All students will report directly to their classroom. After 8:30, students should be brought into the main office. Please do not drop students off in the front of the building. If they are coming in the front door, they must be escorted by a parent.
- At no time should you pass the car in front of you in the car line.
- Students eating breakfast will pick up from the cafe kiosk in the hallway and report directly to class.

Dismissal Procedures

- Students must be picked up in their assigned pick up location between 3:30 3:45 each afternoon.
- Individuals picking up must have a school issued pickup card.
- Parents must contact the office if there is an emergency and a different person or individual without a card is picking up. Be prepared to give your name and date of birth.
- Students should not be signed out early after 3:00.
- Students cannot be picked up from the office during dismissal.
- Walkers must live within walking distance (.5 mile or less from the school) and be here by 3:25.
- Parents without cards will have to be verified and may be asked to pull around front until dismissal is over.
- Students picked up after 3:55, will need to be picked up in the front office and parents will be required to sign students out with identification.
- Parents with multiple late pick ups will be contacted to create a plan.
- Kindergarten pick up will be in the front parking lot and 1st-5th grade students will go through the back with your dismissal card determining your assigned car line.
- Fast pass parents will accommodate those parents who earned it last year and must be in the fast pass lane by 3:25 or must go through the traditional line.

<u>PARKING</u>

- Pull into parking spaces in the front parking lot of the building.
- Do not park in the driveway.
- Handicap stickers are required for handicapped spaces.

VOLUNTEERS, MENTORS & TUTORS

- Gaston County Schools requires anyone who desires to serve as a mentor or volunteer as a field trip chaperone to complete an application process that includes a criminal background check and be approved by the principal.
- We have a tremendous need for parent volunteers and encourage you to complete this process and give your time to help our teachers and students. We want all parents to have the opportunity to be involved however they can with their personal schedule and / or talents.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT (School and PTO)

- Parents may become mentors' to students.
- Parents may volunteer in classrooms as a reading buddy, helper to the teacher or organizer of materials. (Please schedule with your child's teacher or the front office.)
- Parents may donate items from our wishing tree any time during the year.
- Parents may become a club sponsor to help financially or with your time with a club offered for our students.
- Parents may become a member of the Parent Advisory Council (4-6 members).
- Parents may become a member of our Parent Teacher Organization PTO.
- Parents may attend most field trips.
- Parents may eat lunch with students.
- Parents may sign up to help with classroom parties / treats.
- Parents may sign up to help with fundraisers.
- Parents can sign up to help with Hawks Nest Beautification.
- Parents may sign up to help with the Sunshine for Students group. This group will work with our teachers and PTO to help provide ways to recognize students in fun yet meaningful celebrations. The goal of this group is to acknowledge the accomplishments of the students as individuals.
- Parents may sign up to help with the Sunshine for Staff group. This group will work with our PTO and Staff to celebrate the efforts of our teachers.
- Parents may not be able to come in and volunteer, but please know your reading with your child every night is the most important involvement that you can give!

• There are many ways parents can be involved, don't hesitate to ask if there is something you are interested in doing.

<u>ABSENCES</u>

- Parents must inform the teacher by <u>emailing slpaul@gaston.k12.nc.us</u> giving the date, student name, teachers name and reason for the absence.
- Written notification must be within 2 days of the absence.
- Board of Education policy allows only 12 days of absence.
- Students with more than 12 days must be reviewed by the Promotion Committee during the last week of school before a promotion decision can be made.
- If a child is going to be out of town, parents can apply for educational opportunity excuse approval but must request a form from the office.

WITHDRAWAL OF STUDENTS

- Parents should notify the school at least two days in advance of a student's withdrawal due to moving out of the school's attendance district.
- All textbooks, library books and school devices must be returned before withdrawing the student.
- Lunch payments and other debts must be paid before withdrawing the student.

<u>COMMUNICATION</u>

Our school seeks to keep communication between the home and school open in the following ways:

Channel 21	Twitter	Conferences / Data Notebooks	
Website - GCS, School, Grade level	PTO participation	Phone Calls	
Newsletters	Email	Texts	
Weekly Phone Reminders	Notes in planners	Surveys	
Facebook	GCS App	Principal School Cell: 704-718-0684	

As a STEAM school, we strongly emphasize the importance of technology. Much of our school communication will be sent home digitally via DOJO, Seesaw, Facebook, GCS App, Parent Link and Email. We encourage you to check all of these regularly to avoid missing out on important school news, updates, and events.

Data Notebooks will be maintained by each teacher. Teachers will share specific details about their class process soon.

Always contact the school with a question or concern. Principal's contact information 704-866-8467 (school office) or 704-718-0684 (school cell), or email <u>tnmims@gaston.k12.nc.us</u>.

IMMUNIZATIONS & BIRTH CERTIFICATE

All children are required by law to be fully immunized before they enter the public schools. Although this is a requirement, each year we find children at all grade levels that have not been fully immunized. When this is the case, the child is sent home until the parent satisfies the law requirements:

- 1. The following immunizations are required for every student:
 - 5 DTP (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) The fourth is a booster shot which must be given on or after the fourth birthday. The fifth shot is not required unless it was given before the child's fourth birthday.
 - 4 OPV (oral polio vaccine) the third dose must be given on or after the fourth birthday. If dose is given before the fourth birthday, a fourth dose is required.

- 2 MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella) vaccines on or after the first birthday and the second dose before entering kindergarten.
- 1 HIB (Hemophilus Influenza B Vaccine) on or after 15 months of age and before age 5. Not required after age 5.
- 2. The required immunizations may be obtained from a family doctor or from the Gaston County Health Dept.
- 3. Within thirty (30) days of his/her enrollment, every student must show a certificate of immunizations to the principal, verifying that all required immunizations have been received or that he/she is presently enrolled in an immunization program to be completed on a specific date.
- 4. At the end of thirty (30) calendar days from enrollment or extended period (for those in immunization programs), the principal SHALL NOT PERMIT any student to attend without the immunization required by law.
- 5. 5th graders are required to have a TDAP before entering 6th grade.

A legal copy of the birth certificate must be on file in your child's cumulative record. No student will be permitted to stay in school longer than 30 days if this record is not on file.

<u>CAFETERIA</u>

• Breakfast is served until 8:25 AM each morning. Students must arrive before 8:20 in order to go to the cafeteria and eat.

Meal Prices

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	-	Paid students (all grade levels)	\$1.20
	•	Reduced price students (all grade levels)	\$0.00
	•	Adults (staff and visitors)	\$1.50
0	Lunch		
	•	Paid students (grades K – 5)	\$2.70
	•	Paid students (grades 6 – 12)	\$2.80
	•	Reduced price students (all grade levels)	\$0.40
	•	Adults (staff and visitors)	\$3.75

Charged Meals

- Students who do not have money may charge a meal if their account has not exceeded the following limits: Elementary (K 5) \$13.50
- Elementary and middle school students who do not have money and who have exceeded the charge limit may receive a complimentary alternate meal upon request.

Student Accounts

- Check, Cash, or Money Order can be accepted in the school cafeteria.
- Parents/Guardians may utilize K12PaymentCenter at <u>www.k12paymentcenter.com</u> to pay with their credit or debit card. PLEASE NOTE: This service is available at all schools as a means of collecting and managing other school fees.
- Parents requesting a refund must contact the School Nutrition Business Manager at (704) 836-9110 ext. 3.
- Positive balances remaining at the end of the school year will remain on students' accounts for the following school year unless a refund is requested.
- NSF checks are referred to NEXCHECK, a check guarantee and collection service.
- Parents/Guardians desiring to restrict or prohibit the purchase of meals in the cafeteria may do so by submitting a "Purchase Account Limits" form. This form is available on the Gaston County Schools web page in the School Nutrition section, and must be renewed annually.

- Parents/Guardians desiring to restrict or prohibit the purchase of a la carte items in the cafeteria may do so by contacting the school Cafeteria Manager.
- All cafeteria charges or lunch questions can be asked of our cafeteria manager, Erica Collmar at 704.866.8467 ext. 630.

Holiday Meals

- Thanksgiving (Date TBA)
- Christmas (Date TBA)
- Easter (Date TBA)
- ADULT (VISITORS AND STAFF) PRICE FOR HOLIDAY MEALS IS <u>\$4.00</u>
- Special holiday themed menus are offered on these days in place of the regular menu cycle.

Special Celebrations

• Birthdays will be celebrated on the last Friday of each month. Room parents will coordinate with the classroom teacher and with the parents of students who have birthdays to arrange a treat.

Special Diet & Nutritional Needs

- Students who require modifications to their school meals for a diagnosed medical condition (ex. Allergies, Diabetes, etc.) must have a completed Diet Order form on file at the School Nutrition office, with the School Nurse, and with the classroom teacher.
- All requests for special diets must be submitted annually and whenever there is a change to an existing special diet.
- These requests must be completed on the Diet Order form, signed by a physician, and sent to the School Nutrition Office.
- Diet Order forms may be obtained from the School Nutrition office, Cafeteria Manager or School Nurse.
- Upon receipt of each completed Diet Order form, the nutritionist will modify menus and instruct cafeteria managers with regard to each individual Diet Order.
- The parent/guardian of the student requiring a special diet will be notified by School Nutrition regarding the effective date of the Diet Order.

PAYMENTS

- All payments (for field trips / t-shirts / yearbook / ect.) must be to the office by 9:30 AM each morning or submitted online at <u>www.k12paymentcenter.com</u>. Payments will not be taken after 9:30 AM in the school office. We are not allowed to hold money in the office overnight.
- Anyone needing to pay in a different format than k12paymentcenter will need to bring their money to the office themselves. We are not asking teachers and students to transport money this year.

Writing checks

- Your check is welcome.
- Checks should be written on a commercially printed check that includes your name, address and contact telephone number.
- Writing a check to Hawks Nest Steam Academy / Gaston County Schools enters you into an agreement that for any reason the check is returned, your account may be represented electronically and a service fee established by law may be debited from the account.
- If check and fees are not collected electronically, Nexcheck will contact you by mail or telephone to make payment arrangements.

NORTH CAROLINA CURRICULUM STANDARDS

- Information can be found at <u>www.ncpublicschools.org.</u>
- Ask your teacher or principal if you have questions or concerns about the curriculum.
- Curriculum seeks to prepare students for college or workforce in the 21st century
- Please attend curriculum nights to receive helpful hints as to what our curriculum is and how to best help your child at home with school work.

Reporting Children's Academic Progress

- Each week teachers will send home data notebooks with your child that will have graded work samples and updates to their progress. Please look at these, sign the parent form and contact the teacher if you have any questions.
- At the midpoint of the grading period, an interim report will be sent home.
- Report cards will be sent home at the end of each [9] week grading period (see school calendar for dates).
- Instructional levels for math and reading are coded at the learner's ability level. Carefully study all communications from the teacher to your home. Most require the parent to sign and return forms to the school.
- Powerschool access instructions for parents are available in the office.
- Gaston County Schools is transitioning to focus on Standards Based Learning / Standards Based Grading. Grades, Interims, Report Cards will look different this year. Teachers will communicate with parents frequently about student progress through data notebooks, and other venues. If you have questions about SBL / SBG please share your concerns with the classroom teacher.

Assessments

- Students will test at the end of each grading period to track their mastery of learning objectives required by the North Carolina Standards.
- Teachers will report this progress and work closely with children who do not meet their learning goals.
- Students not performing on grade level will have a tier plan developed by the teacher, parent and MTSS team to address individual academic deficiencies.
- Students in grades 1-5 will be assessed in reading and/or math using iReady.
- Students in grade 2 will take the CoGat assessment at the end of the year.
- Students in grade 3 will take the BOG at the beginning of the year.
- Students in grades 3-5 will be assessed in reading and/or math and/or science through the NC Check Ins at established intervals during the school year.

Homework Policy

- Your child will have homework during the school week.
- Please make sure the homework is completed.
- Students will be given a homework folder.
- Homework may be distributed to students through the Schoology platform. Classroom teachers will share helpful hints for parents to help students with Schoology.
- Classroom teachers may utilize the app Dojo to communicate with parents about classwork, homework and behavior.
- Folders will have important information as well as homework assignments. Students are responsible for having parents sign logs each night acknowledging they were aware of the students behavior, that the students read independently and complete his/her homework. Logs are great places for communication between the teacher and the parents.

Promotion Policy

- Promotion policies of students attending Gaston County Schools are set by the Gaston County Board of Education and NC Law. Students must perform at grade level to pass.
- Teachers will notify parents of academic problems as soon as detected and will work with parents and the MTSS team to develop a plan of corrective action. Students will have multiple opportunities to demonstrate their academic skills through continuous assessments, portfolios and formal testing.
- Decisions involving promotion or retention are based upon what is best for the individual student and will be made by the parent, teacher and MTSS intervention team. By law the principal reserves final judgment in promotion and retention decisions.

NC End of Grade Testing Program (Grades 3-5) and Beginning of Grade test (3rd Grade)

- The state testing program requires that students in grades 3 5 score at grade level on the reading and math EOG tests before they can be promoted to the next grade level.
- 3rd Grade students must take the BOG at the beginning of their 3rd grade year and are subject to the NC Read to Achieve legislation which has special requirements in order to be promoted to 4th Grade. These requirements include a special portfolio documentation of the student's growth and summer reading camps for students who do not pass the 3rd grade reading EOG.

<u>TECHNOLOGY</u>

- Each child should have their personal headphones (earbuds) to use with technology in order to maintain a sanitary environment.
- Each child will be assigned a school device to use.
- Students are responsible for proper care and usage of their assigned devices.
- Parents will be given a technology agreement at the beginning of the school year that indicates potential charges if the device is damaged or lost.

CITIZENSHIP / CHARACTER EDUCATION

- It is each student's responsibility to display qualities of good citizenship. Your best conduct is expected when you are moving about the building, during lunch time, on the playground, in the classroom, on the school bus, or when leaving the school grounds.
- Courtesy and good manners should be the key to a student's conduct at school. A good attitude toward teachers and fellow students will make school enjoyable.
- Students are expected to have respect for school property and to take good care of books, desks, school devices and other furniture and equipment.
- Character education is a part of our daily curriculum. Gaston County Schools acknowledges that its role is to reinforce and complement the efforts of parents, families, religious and civic organizations in developing citizenship traits which ensure the continuity of a free and democratic society. Each month we will emphasize a particular trait. The traits are as follows: respect, responsibility, courage, kindness, good judgment, honesty, perseverance, and self discipline.

HAWKS NEST STEAM ACADEMY DISCIPLINE PLAN

- Our plan is patterned from the Gaston County Schools Code of Student Conduct which is furnished on the first day of school. Please make sure you and your child are familiar with these policies, especially those that deal with drugs, weapons possession and serious injury caused by fighting.
- Any incident that causes bleeding is considered serious and law enforcement officers will be contacted.
- Parents will be contacted by the teacher and/or administration for repeated behaviors or disruptive behaviors.

Our Guidelines for Success = STEAM

- 1. Safe
- 2. Teamwork
- 3. Effort
- 4. Attitude
- 5. Manners

We believe if our students are safe, they work together to accomplish any task, put forth their best effort in all they do, keep a good attitude about any challenge they face and use manners in dealing with others, they will be equipped with a foundation for successful experiences in school and life.

Classroom Rules

- Teachers develop a set of rules to set expectations for students' behavior.
- Teachers will provide a copy of rules and consequences.
- Teachers devote the first 4 weeks of school to instruct, model and practice behavior expectations.
- Students are recognized for their compliance and demonstration of good behavior through the Dojo system which also tracks and communicates behavior with parents.
- Please check the Dojo app regularly for behavior reports and send teachers messages if you have questions.

<u>PBIS</u>

- ★ <u>Reminder</u> 1 dojo redirect.
- ★ <u>Reteach</u> 2 dojo redirects teacher will model and provide opportunity for the student to practice appropriate behavior.
- ★ <u>Reflect</u> (Cool-down) 3 dojo redirects Student will be sent to cool down to de-escalate and complete think about it; parent contact.
- ★ <u>Remove</u> (Redirect in office/ referral) 4 dojo redirects Student has 15 minutes to cool down & get ready to return to class or speak to administration.

Cell Phones

- May be carried by students but must be kept in the chromebook case / bookbag and turned off.
- May not cause an interruption of the instructional day.
- Violation of the above guidelines may result in cell phones being taken for parents to pick up at the main office.
- Cell phones are the responsibility of the student. We will not be responsible for any personal devices.

School Bus Transportation and Conduct

- Buses will be used for field trips only.
- To assist the drivers, there are video cameras on each bus. Parents are provided information, rules, regulations, and policies in a letter from the Superintendent of Schools on the first day of classes.

Bus Rules

- 1. Students are to be respectful & obey the driver at all times.
- 2. Students are to stay seated with their backs against the seats at all times.
- 3. Students are to use quiet voices only talking to the person in the seat with them.
- 4. Students are not to touch other students or their belongings.
- 5. Students are to wait at their bus stop in a safe & orderly manner.
- 6. Students who must cross the road are to cross over in front of the bus after the driver has signaled the way is clear.

Care of School Property

- Textbooks / Computers and other materials are furnished at no cost to students; however, students are expected to give them the best care possible.
- Students must follow procedures for the care and handling of all technology. Chromebooks that can be fixed will result in a \$50 fine and lost or damaged beyond repair chromebooks will be the replacement cost of \$223.
- Parents will be asked to pay for all books or devices lost or damaged, as well as any property that has been intentionally destroyed or damaged.

MEDICINE & ILLNESS AT SCHOOL

- All medicine given at school must be prescribed by the doctor. If the medicine is to be given at school, medicine must be brought by an adult to the school in the container with the current prescription label.
- If a student is injured or becomes ill at school, he/she is to report to the teacher and ask for a permit to come to the office. If necessary, we will contact the parents.
- <u>It is necessary and very helpful if the school can have on file a home telephone number or the number where someone can be reached at all times.</u> All students must be properly checked out before leaving the school grounds.
- Parents are required to come in and sign the student out and must present a valid id.
- Please notify the school if you are sending someone else to pick your child up when calling home sick.

<u>Insurance</u>

• School accident insurance is provided for those who choose to purchase a policy. There are three types of plans with A/B options to cover the time of the school day or 24 hour coverage. Information is sent home on the first day of school. <u>Parents send checks directly to the insurance company and not to the school.</u>

<u>Head Lice</u>

- Parents are contacted should a case of head lice be found.
- Treatment is expected and proof by returning box label to school when returning the next morning at 8:30 AM to be checked prior to returning to class.
- Periodic classroom checks are conducted.

<u>TELEPHONE</u>

- Students are permitted to use the school's telephone only if they have a good reason and written permission from the teacher. The school's telephone is a business phone, primarily for school business.
- Communication with a student, while the student is attending classes, should be handled through the office. As a means for reducing classroom interruptions, please limit messages to be given to students to EMERGENCY calls.
- Please make prior arrangements with your child concerning transportation home so that your child does not have to call home to find out how he/she is getting home. If there is a change in transportation for your child, please write a note to the teacher. Without a note, students will be sent home his/her normal way. Students will not be sent home with a friend or someone not on the pick up list without a note.
- After the third emergency, parents must speak directly with Mrs. Mims, the principal.

SMOKE/DRUG FREE ENVIRONMENT

- No tobacco products may be used by any student or adult while on the campus including while in your personal vehicle.
- Make sure you do not have a lit cigar or cigarette while delivering or picking up students.
- No illegal drug use will be tolerated.

<u>DRESS CODE</u>

- No hats or other head coverings while in the building, this includes hoodies.
- NO clothing that displays sexually or racially explicit words or drawings, profanity, alcohol, drugs, weapons or gang symbols.
- No style of clothing or the manner in which it is worn may expose undergarments or create a distraction or disturbance in the educational setting.
- The Board of Education recognizes that local law enforcement agencies may determine that wearing particular gang related attire may present a threat to student safety. The Superintendent will work collaboratively with these agencies to prohibit such dress.
- Tennis shoes are suggested for safe play on playgrounds.

SCHOOL SAFETY DRILLS / SAFETY PLAN

- Maintaining a safe environment and being prepared to meet an emergency situation continues to be an important process for us.
- The school has developed written plans to address natural disasters (fire/tornado/bad weather), intruders or threatening individuals and crisis situations involving death.
- In the event of a lock down, the Gaston County Police will be in charge of all actions and the school community is expected to follow their instructions.
- In the event our students must be removed from the campus, they will be transported to Robinson Elementary / Forestview High School. Please feel free to make suggestions concerning the improvement of safety measures for our campus.
- Cameras are used to survey our grounds and the inside of our buildings.

VISITORS AND ID BADGES

- Visitors must sign in at the front office with their ID.
- Picking students up parents must show their ID in the camera at the entrance to our building.
- All guests within the school building must wear a visitors ID badge at all times and will be expected to follow all school safety guidelines should a safety issue arise.
- All staff within the school building must wear a Gaston County Schools ID badge at all times.

ASBESTOS STATEMENT

• Hawks Nest has no friable material within our building or its materials.

COVID RESTRICTIONS

Covid updates and restrictions will be shared in a separate document as it pertains directly to guidelines from the CDC, NCDHHS, NCDPI and Gaston County Schools. Covid information will also be shared on the school website, Parent Link, email, and Facebook.

For any questions or concerns, you may contact Tammy Mims, the principal, at the school phone number 704-866-8467 or at tnmims@gaston.k12.nc.us.

