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SWAPPING PLACES

McLauchlin students take over school positions

On Friday, November 22, as part of American Education Week, students took over positions of authority at J.W. McLauchlin School.

This feat was accomplished without a struggle; rather, students were asked to write essays in grades 2-4 or draw pictures in grades K-1.

Each student chose a particular profession and either wrote or drew what he/she would do in that particular job.

At 9:30 the word was announced over the intercom enabling teachers to become students while students became the principal, teachers, teacher assistants, the secretary, librarian and cafeteria manager.

This experience provided an up close look of what the adults on campus really do in their jobs.

The magic lasted briefly, as all too soon the intercom announcement at 10 a.m. returned school to the original teachers.

The students who were winners in this Take Over were: Bryan Manning, Heather Raynor, Frances McCullum, Ami Zota, Jeremy Beatty, Bart Upchurch, Vickie Lloyd, Jarad Edwards, Tomieka

Bruton, Patrice Henderson, Lashonda McRae, Chiquita McQueen, J.J. Jones, Nora Stewart, Christy Strickland, Janet Davis, Mary Hathaway, Amanda Branch, Sabrina Hobson, Laura Foster, Beth Craig, Stephanie Jones, Consuela McFadden, Karan McGuire, Ratisha Peterkin and Dana Rozier.

The students were not content to take over McLauchlin; several set their sights on higher goals.

On Thursday, November 21, two students took over the positions of Superintendent of Hoke County Schools and Associate Superintendent.

Jarad Edwards and Tomieka Bruton performed the tasks of these officials under the tutelage of Dr. Bob Nelson and Dr. Ginny Hayes.

To promote the theme "The Subject Is Excellence," students also participated in a five-minute reading period each day as announced on the intercom.

All other activity at school was stopped immediately while students read -- in textbooks, library books, or personal books.

Mrs. Iyma Hedgepeth demonstrated basketweaving in Mrs. Evans' class as part of the week's events.



Being a teacher
Sabrina Hobson (left) is being Mrs. Jane Evans, the teacher, while Laura Foster, acts as teacher aide, Mrs. Davis.

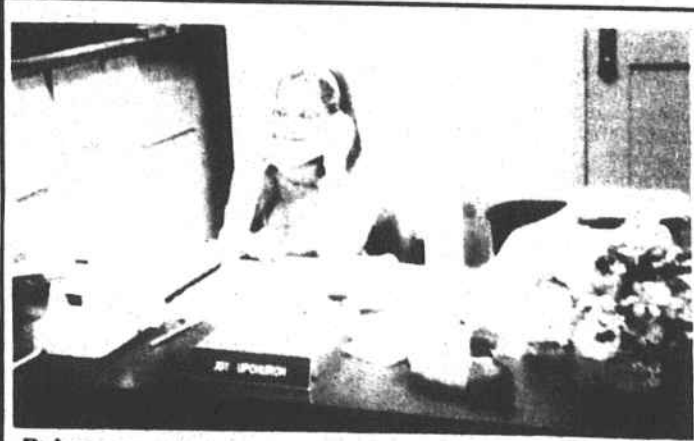
What I would do if I was Mrs. Evans
If I was Mrs. Evans I would get to put out papers. I would teach. I would get to test the 3rd and 4th grade. I would get to care the children outside. I would get to show them a film. I would get to go to the lounge. I would get to go to the office. I would get to read with the groups. I would get to write on the board.

Sabrina Hobson
Mrs. Evans class
If I were the assistant teacher of my class I would help the students in there work, I will help Mrs. Evans out in checking papers, I will do subjects with the third or fourth grade. I would leave school at three o'clock p.m.
Laura Foster
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If I were superintendent for the day I would be just like the regular superintendent and I would go to all of the different schools to check on maintenance and to see if all of the teachers are doing their job correctly. I would do all of the paperwork that was needed to be done. I would answer all of the phones that rang in my office. But to wrap it all up in one essay is times I would just be and be like the regular superintendent.
Janice Miller
Mrs. Edwards class
McLauchlin School
4th grade



Librarian
Ami Zota is school Librarian, Mrs. House.



Being secretary
Heather Raynor plays school secretary, Mrs. Joy Upchurch.

If I were a Cafeteria Manager for a day
In the morning I will give the children some breakfast to eat I will give them some orange juice, milk and cornflakes. After everybody finishes eating their breakfast, we will be starting to cook everybody's lunch in the building. The kindergarten children will first go to the lunchroom to eat. After the kindergarten finishes eating, the first and third will be coming next. The fourth graders will be coming next. When 1 o'clock comes it is time to clean up. It was nice being a Cafeteria Manager.
Bri. Vickie Lloyd

If I were a teacher
I would take my class to the office to talk. I would take some money and give it to the office.
Nora Stewart
Mrs. Edwards class
4th grade



Working like a student
Teacher Jane Evans spends time being third and fourth grade student.

Dr. Hayes
I would like to be a teacher for 30 min. It would help me learn more about people. I would like to be a vice superintendent so I can work at the Board. I think I would like to work at the Board, so I can be like Dr. Hayes.
By: Tomieka Bruton
11/20/85
Mrs. Evans class

If I were the teacher
I would teach my class. I would read a story to my class and I would let my children read a story too. I like Children in. They are nice. And I would have reading groups and I would let my class share to. And to school. I would have to go to meetings. I would be fun some day to be a teacher.
Amanda Branch
Second Grade
Mrs. Cowan's class