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“...most media outlets present biased or slanted points of view....”



Whether reading a daily newspaper, surfing the net, listening to the radio, or viewing the television, the public must be prepared to decipher fact from fiction.

-Blair Bloomquist

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Teacher engages IB students with World War I reenactment



“I drew the inspiration for this undertaking while looking out of my third-floor window and musing, ‘Wouldn’t it be cool to draw a map of Europe on the lawn?’ From that beginning, the focus of the project was to re-enact the start of the ‘Great War’ during the Summer of 1914. The two IB 20th Century history classes combined to fulfill the roles of the major players in this cataclysmic series of events. The students played the roles of Germany, France, Great Britain, Russia, Austria-Hungary, Serbia and Belgium, while chronologically replaying the events that began with the assassinations at Sarajevo and ended with the defeat of the German Schlieffen Plan at the First Battle of the Marne. It was a great opportunity after days of lectures and papers and tests to make history fun and, moreover, the students were absolutely into it, especially the wanton violence.”

-Teacher Michael Courts

New superintendent Mo Green shares vision with PTSA crowd

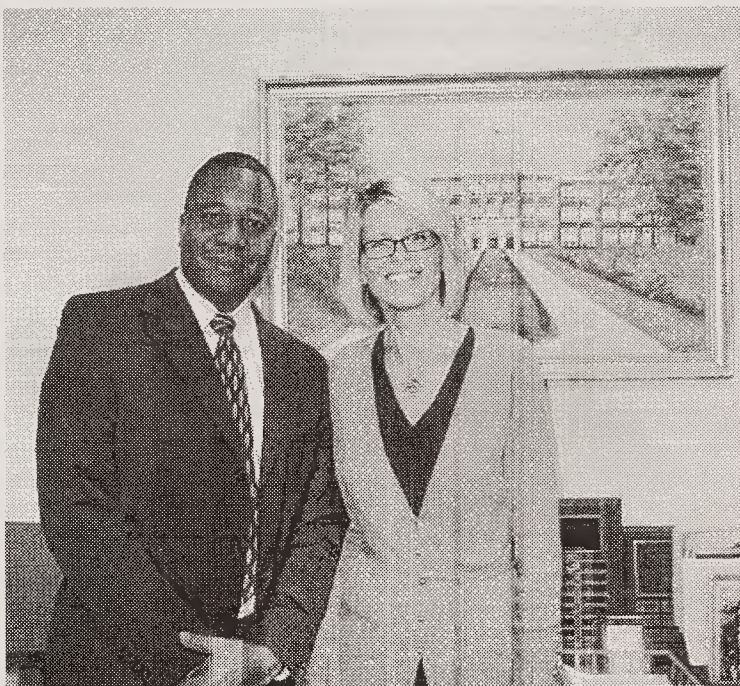
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Superintendent Mo Green made a guest appearance at a PTSA meeting in the Chance Cousins Auditorium on Wednesday, Nov. 5, at 7:00 pm. He addressed issues regarding his background, his plans for Guilford County Schools, and his accomplishments.

Principal Anna Brady initiated the meeting by talking about her personal goals. She outlined many objectives, which include encouraging all students to achieve excellence every day and to transform the school culture. Brady also introduced the idea of “One on One with Ms. Brady,” an opportunity in which she will open up to students by showing them photographs from her childhood, thus reminding them that she was once a kid herself.

After Brady’s speech, Green took the floor, at which time he spoke about his family. He is married, but his wife and two children currently live in Charlotte. Born in New York, he moved to Georgia at a young



PTSA President Valerie Stern meets with Superintendent Mo Green before he speaks to a crowd following Face to Face on Nov. 5. The Guilford County School Board chose Green to succeed Terrie Grier who moved to San Diego. Kanode photo

age. He attended Duke University and then Duke Law. After graduating from Duke Law, he accepted several jobs working in circuit courts in North Carolina. Soon he began working with the Charlotte Board of

Education and eventually found employment in their education system. When the school board offered him the Guilford County Schools superintendent position, he graciously accepted.

Green then outlined his goals for the school system but reassured parents that he had no intention of blindly making changes. He claimed there is no “Mo Green way,” so he wants to acclimate within the school system before making any significant changes.

Since Green took over as superintendent, he has hit the ground running. He attended the Grimsley vs. Page football game and continues to engage himself in a variety of activities within the school community. Green created a link for communication to parents on the Grimsley website, known as the “Mo Wants to Know” webpage. On this site, parents can send comments or concerns to the superintendent. He guarantees he will personally read all submitted comments.

Green discussed few specific details about his plans, but his central theme of the night was a call to action for parents. He urged parents to get involved and to help him improve our schools. Presently, 72,000 students are enrolled in the county, and he cannot do it alone.