School adopter program partners schools, businesses

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Clinton's public schools have a long-standing tradition of partnering with local businesses on a variety of projects and events.

"These relationships are always mutually beneficial," said Dr. Tim Martin, superintendent. "When parents and teachers see a business supporting their school, they want to support that business in return. Partnerships like this help keep our community strong."

School adopters provide financial support and volunteer hours for a number of projects, ranging from spring picnics to spirit nights to proctoring state tests. They are not based on a dollar amount, but what needs a school has.

Businesses interested in becoming school adopters should contact a school principal to find out ways they can get involved:

Clinton Park Elementary (K-1) Kelli Pope 601-924-5205

Northside Elementary (2-3) Mandy Ambrose 601-924-7531

Eastside Elementary (3-4) Mandy Taylor 601-924-7261

Lovett Elementary (6) Dr. Mike Pope 601-924-5664

Clinton Junior High (7-8) Tamikia Billings 601-924-0619

Sumner Hill (9) **Christie Claxtón** 601-924-5510

Clinton High School (10-12) **Brett Robinson** 601-924-5656

CHS Career Complex Dr. Bill Hardin 601-924-0247

Clinton Alternative School **Charles King** 601-924-4027

How businesses can help schools:

- Mentor at-risk students
- Donate umbrellas to elementary schools
- Fund Accelerated Reader incentives at elementary schools
- Provide student incentives (\$5 gift cards, pencils, pens, school supplies, etc.)
- Proctor state tests
- Coupons for good behavior and/or academic achievement
- Athletic gear for physical fitness such as basketballs, kick balls, etc.
- Host Spirit Night fundraisers for PTOs and booster clubs
- Provide backpacks, nap mats (Clinton Park), binders and other school supplies
- Lunch and/or snacks for teachers

LEARNING BUILD

PROGRAMS HELD AT THE CLINTON AND RESERVOIR FAMILY YMCA

Clinton: Eastside, Northside and Clinton Park Elementary Schools

Reservoir: Flowood, Highland Bluff, Northwest Rankin, Northshore and Oakdale Elementary Schools

What we offer:

- · Fun, engaging curriculum
- · Homework assistance
- · Daily Physical activity
- · Positive, value-based enviornment
- · Highly trained staff
- · Bus Transportation
- · Healthy Snacks
- · Care when school is closed/Holiday camps

\$40 Registration Fee

\$45/Week for YMCA Family Memberships • \$68/Week for Community Participants **METROPOLITAN YMCAs OF MISSISSIPPI** metroYMCAms.org

CLINTON 601.924.5812

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It is an honor to serve as YOUR state representative. The love and dedication that I have for District 63 is evident in the work I've done. Over the past 8 years, I've worked across the aisle to make sure my constituents have access to the quality of life they deserve by funding projects that fuel our economy and improve our quality of education.

As a mother of 5, I understand the importance of providing

a great education for all students. My voting record shows my support for higher teacher pay, better roads and bridges, bringing money to our district, and creating workforce development. Although we've made tremen-



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Isaiah 54:17 "No weapon formed against you shall prosper,

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and every tongue which rises against you in judgement you shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD. And their righteousness is from Me.' Says the LORD, AMEN"

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as Representative, I

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done for our district,

but with so much

work left to do, I

need your vote to

continue fighting for

you. Let's continue

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