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**THURSDAY - MAY 21 @ 5 P.M.**



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## Holmes-grown representing on “The Wendy Williams Show”

### Press Release

Just a week after appearing on the People Magazine website people.com, Holmes County Consolidated School District Math teacher Jaleel King was invited to appear via video call on “The Wendy Williams Show.”

King’s interview is scheduled to air on Friday, May 22.

The focus of both the People.com article and “The Wendy Williams Show” interview is King’s work as both a teacher and a meal-delivering bus driver to the children of Holmes County Consolidated School District.

“I’m happy to represent the school district as but one of the many committed employees who are working every day during this pandemic to take care of our children by meeting not only their educational goals, but also addressing their need



**This undated photo shows Jaleel King (pictured at left) handing off a lunch to a waiting student. King was recently featured on People magazine’s People.com and will be featured on “The Wendy Williams Show” for his work in meeting student needs. (Photo Submitted)**

for food or other assistance,” said King.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. James L. Henderson said, “Taking care of the whole child is our quest. Holmes County families face a myriad of challenges, all heightened during the COVID-19 pandemic. Closing schools only added to their obstacles

to take care of their loved ones. We are determined to help support our families and students in every way we can. Mr. King is a valuable member of the team working to ensure our children’s health and well-being. We are gratified for the recognition he’s getting for helping the HCCSD families.”

## FEMA announces emergency food and shelter programs funding for Mississippi

### Holmes County allocated \$29K to meet needs

### Press Release

Mississippi will receive \$3.6 million from FEMA’s Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) to assist nonprofits that are helping residents who are experiencing hunger and homelessness.

The money allocated to Mississippi combines the EFSP’s annual funding with funds designated for food and shelter support under the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act.

Mississippi jurisdictions

will receive \$135,189 for FY 2019 and \$2,214,864 from the CARES Act. A local EFSP board is responsible for awarding the grant funds to local social service organizations, both nonprofit and governmental, that can best address the identified needs of the community.

“This funding supports local organizations helping Mississippi’s hungry and homeless during the coronavirus pandemic and other disasters,” said FEMA Regional Administrator Gracia

Szczzech. “It can supplement programs offering meals, groceries or food boxes, residential shelters, rent payments or utilities.

For Holmes County: FY 2019 Allocation - \$11,995; FY 2020 Care Allocation - \$17,102.

With the FY 2019 and CARES Act funding, and the FY 2020 funding of \$125 million that will be allocated to jurisdictions later this year, the total aid disbursed in the EFSP’s 38-year history will be more than \$5 billion.

## Valedictorian and salutatorian named at CHCS

### Staff Report

Central Holmes Christian School announces the valedictorian and salutatorian for the Class of 2020. Hannah Elizabeth Malone has been named as valedictorian, and Jasmine Michelle Windom has been named as salutatorian.

Both are exemplary students and citizens and have also been involved in numerous community activities, and other programs.

Hannah is the daughter of James and Roxanne Malone of Lexington. She has maintained a 4.0 grade average for four years of high school.

Hannah is a member of the Honor Society of which she has been the president during her senior year.

She participated in many school activities including the CHCS Drama Club, Show Choir and set designer for school plays. She was a member of the Holmes County 4-H Leadership for Life.

Hannah has been selected



**HANNAH MALONE**



**JASMINE WINDOM**

as a Delta Honor Graduate which enables her to be

eligible for a Delta Honor Graduate Scholarship.

She plans to attend Holmes Community College and Delta State University to pursue a degree in graphic design. She hopes to work at Disney World or on movie sets in the future.

Jasmine is the daughter of James and Mildred Windom of Sallis. Jasmine has maintained a 4.0 average for four years of high school.

She has been very active in many CHCS extracurricular activities. She is a member of the Honor Society, Student Council, Show Choir, Drama Club and Media Club. She currently serves as vice-president of the Honor Society and treasurer of the Student Council.

She was recently chosen as Most Sophisticated Senior Girl in Who’s Who elections.

She has also been a member of the choir at Macedonia M.B. Church in Sallis. Last summer Jasmine participated in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) program at Tougaloo College for a month.

Jasmine plans to attend Holmes Community College and Mississippi University for Women where she will pursue a career in nursing.

## Free face masks to be offered in Lexington on Saturday

### Press Release

The city of Lexington will be holding a drive-through mask give-away on Saturday, May 23, at 10 a.m. until 12 noon at the Lexington Multi-Purpose Complex located at 22521 Depot Street (Highway 12 East).

According to Lexington Mayor Robin McCrory, 3,000 masks were supplied by the Mississippi State Department of Health to the city of Lexington for drive-

Mississippi

## Coronavirus Hotline

COVID-19 information for the general public  
now available 24/7.

# 877-978-6453

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through distribution to the citizens of the Lexington community in efforts to encourage masks be worn to help prevent the spread of

the COVID-19 coronavirus.

Holmes County has among the highest reported cases for COVID-19 in Mississippi, according to case data.

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**Thursday**  
Partly Cloudy  
82/67  
Precip. Chance  
20 %

**Friday**  
Partly Cloudy  
89/70  
Precip. Chance  
20%

**Saturday**  
Scattered T'Storms  
87/69  
Precip. Chance  
50%

**Sunday**  
Scattered T'Storms  
88/69  
Precip. Chance  
40%

**Monday**  
P.M. T'Storms  
87/69  
Precip. Chance  
50%

**Tuesday**  
Scattered T'Storms  
86/68  
Precip. Chance  
60%

**Wednesday**  
Scattered T'Storms  
86/68  
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