

Message from the Principal

**Welcome to Apalachee High School
“Home of the WildCats”**

Dear Students, Parents, Community Members and Visitors,

As I begin my third year as Principal, it is my pleasure to welcome you to Apalachee High School and the Wildcat family. The 2009-10 school year marks the 10th Anniversary of Apalachee High School and it will be filled with excitement and challenges as we continue to provide a “World Class Education with Small Town Values”. As we open our doors for the new school year, we will continue to conduct school each and every day in a manner that promotes our number one priority, the safety and education of our students. To give you a brief overview of what our campus has gone through in the last two years, we have doubled the size of our cafeteria space, doubled the size of our media center, built a new guidance suite, a new attendance office, a new discipline office, a new band room, a new chorus room, an auxiliary gym, and 30 new classrooms. We’ve also installed a sprinkler system throughout our existing classrooms, renovated the hvac work and ceilings from the front office back through the building, and installed a new alarm and key scan system. Several trees have been planted and improvements have been made to our athletic venues.

This year we welcome 14 new employees and over 1600 students to Apalachee High School and the Wildcat family. We are definitely a reflection of the growth that Barrow County has experienced over the last few years. I want to encourage each of you to become an active part of our school and get involved. To our students, there are numerous clubs, organizations, and teams available to you as extracurricular activities and to our parents, there are several booster opportunities including our academic boosters for you get involved in to support our school. For community members, we would love to have you join us as a Partner in Education or just come visit us and get to know “The CHEE”. There is a place for everyone and I want you to know that we welcome you and we need you to get involved with our school.

Please know that our doors are always open to you and that we hope that this the most productive and positive year for each of you. I am very honored and humbled to be the principal of Apalachee High School and I want to work with each of you to make our school the best high school in every area from academics and test scores to fine arts, athletics and competitions. I look forward to being a part of the many great things that you will accomplish this year and in the future. GO WILDCATS and Remember to always WALK THE WILDCAT WALK!

David B. McGee
Principal