



8. WCNC-TV had a story about the 2022 National Blue Ribbon School winners in the Charlotte area. The report featured **W.A. Bess Elementary** and an elementary school in Fort Mill.
  
9. **Norman 'Trip' McGill**, the retired choral director at **Ashbrook High School**, will be

21. **Cherryville High School** athletic director **Scott Harrill** received the Region 6 Charlie Adams Distinguished Service Award, which is presented by the N.C. High School Athletic Association (NCHSAA). The award, which is named for the long-time former NCHSAA director, is presented to an individual in each region with at least 10 years of experience in education and athletics who goes above and beyond the call of duty to support students and their participation in high school athletics.
  
22. **East Gaston High School** senior **Mabry Robinson** completed the Certified Nurse Aide I

30. In partnership with the Gaston Literacy Council, students from the **Gaston Early College High School** are participating in the Reading Soul Mates program with second grade students at **Carr Elementary**.
31. **Grier Middle School** observed National Hispanic Heritage Month with several celebratory activities. One activity featured English as a Second Language teacher **Melanie DiPietro** selecting students to read, in both English and Spanish, about famous people during the morning announcements.
32. **Highland School of Technology** students **Carlos Pitalua** and **Kent Kido** won art awards at the Cleveland County Fair. Pitalua won ribbons in the following categories: first place, black and white still life; second place, color wildlife; and third place, animal personality. Kido won a second-place ribbon for a color landscape photograph.
33. **Mount Holly Middle School** was recognized as a National Beta Club School of Merit. The prestigious honor is given to schools that display dedication to academic excellence, leadership development, and service involvement.
34. During Start with Hello Week, the **Mount Holly Middle School** cheerleaders greeted students as they arrived at **Pinewood Elementary** and **Rankin Elementary**.
35. **Mount Holly Middle School** beta club students assisted in the cleanup of the Mount  
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42. **South Point High School** sophomore **James Dover** was named to the North Carolina -state boys tennis team for 2022. As a freshman, Dover was named the Big South 3A Conference MVP, finished undefeated in both singles and doubles, and reached the final four at the state tournament.
43. **Stanley Middle School** students **Samantha Franke, Emily Brooks, Lillyan Wall,** and **Katelyn Smith** were selected to participate in the prestigious state honors chorus. More than 600 students from across North Carolina auditioned, and **Stanley Middle School** is the only middle school in Gaston County to have students chosen for the state middle school chorus. In addition, thirteen students performed in the North Carolina Sings program at Duke University on October 8. The chorus teacher is **Nyi Nyi Myin**.
44. **Webb Street School** partnered with the **Gaston County Schools** Communications Department to produce a video that brings attention to the sc greenhouse programs.
45. Tarik Cranke of the Cranke Marketing Agency spoke to the drone club at **York Chester Middle School** about developing skills such as photo editing and content development through social media.
46. The **York Chester Middle School** cafeteria staff received a perfect 100 sanitation grade.