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For Immediate Release:

## New Griffin Spalding Board of Education Members Sworn In

**Griffin, GA** –R. Syntel Brown and Sue A. McDonald were sworn in as new members of the Griffin-Spalding Board of Education today at the Spalding County Courthouse. Zachery Holmes, who was reelected to serve on the board, was also sworn in.



*State Court of DeKalb County Judge Ronald Ramsey Jr. administered the Oath of Office to R. Syntel Brown*



*Spalding County Probate Judge Jan Hunt administered the Oath of Office to Sue A. McDonald*

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### BOARD MEMBERS

R. Syntel Brown  
Barbara Jo Cook  
Will Doss  
Zachery Holmes  
Sue McDonald

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*Spalding County Probate Judge Jan Hunt administering the Oath of Office to Zachery Holmes*

A product of the Griffin-Spalding County School System, Brown is currently a middle grades Social Studies teacher at the Leadership Preparatory Academy in the Fulton County School District. Brown will represent District 1.

Current Board Chair Zachery Holmes is also a product of GSCS. He retired from Tenet Health System as the Director of Emergency Medical Services. Holmes will represent District 3.

McDonald is a retired 30-year educator who taught middle school science in Richmond County School System and Forsyth County Schools. She will represent District 5.

Brown, Holmes and McDonald will officially begin their duties after the New Year and participate in their first public school board meeting on January 8, 2019. Holmes will start his 19<sup>th</sup> year on the board.

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#### ***About GSCS***

*The Griffin-Spalding County School System (GSCS) is an AdvancED accredited district serving 10,000 students in 11 elementary schools, four middle schools, two high schools, one alternative high school and the Griffin Regional College and Career Academy. The vision of GSCS is to be an agent of change, transforming our students into future-ready learners and contributing members of society. For more information about GSCS, visit [www.spalding.k12.ga.us](http://www.spalding.k12.ga.us), follow us on Twitter at @GriffinSpalding, visit [www.facebook.com/GSCSS](https://www.facebook.com/GSCSS), download the GSCS app or follow Sights & Sounds of GSCS on YouTube.*