

# FAYETTE COUNTY SCHOOLS



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Honorable Judge Arthur Bennett  
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Most Honorable Judge Bennett:

I'm the superintendent of the Fayette County School District and if there ever were a rising star and a good one that got away from the Fayette County Schools System is/was Vern Braswell. He had a four year tenure at Oakland School in Oakland, Tennessee teaching Pre-Algebra, Algebra, Tennessee History and American History. He served for two years as a middle school football coach and Mr. Braswell was well noted for going above and beyond the call of duty daily. I personally, with the assistance of Mr. Dan Ward, supervised and trained Vern as he sought his Master's Degree and his Administrative License. During his final year at Oakland School he did what some considered impossible. He sold fishplates and chocolate candy bars until he'd raised enough money to make an extensive educational trip to Washington D.C. affordable for rural lower socio-economic middle school children. What's more amazing is the NO ADMINISTRATOR went along with him. He almost single-handedly handled forty (40) 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders WITHOUT THERE BEING A SINGLE INCIDENT. There was not one single complaint from anyone. I am not convinced of the charges brought against Mr. Braswell and I am absolutely 100 percent certain that he would show up for every court date appointed to him concerning these charges.

Respectfully,

Myles Wilson, Superintendent  
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