



ELEPHANT TRACKS

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS

February 3, 2017

Elephant Tracks provides an up-to-date listing of the events and crucial reminders from the Gainesville City School district and each of our schools. Elephant Tracks can be accessed either in the weekly eNewsletter sidebar or on our district homepage. Subscribe to the Gainesville City School System eNewsletter - Have you "Herd?" by going to our website: www.gcssk12.net.

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Information on our students, faculty/staff, Or graduates and any information that would be beneficial to the GCSS family is always welcome for Elephant Tracks. Please e-mail to beverly.nordholz@gcssk12.net.

ALL SCHOOLS

2/1-2/28 Black History Month

2/3 Lottery Drawing for Pre-K

Executive Cabinet Superintendent's Conference Room 8-9:30 am

2/4 End of Pay Period

Athletic Club's Stomp & Chomp Gainesville Civic Center 6:00 pm

2/5-2/10 National School Counseling Week

2/6-2/10 Kindergarten Round-up Phase 2 (See Below)

2/6 Time Sheets Due to Central Office

Leader Academy GMS 9-12

Principals' Meeting 10-12

School Board Work Session SBO Board Room 6:00 pm

2/7 Progress Reports

2/8 A.P. Seminar Presentations SBO Board Room 8-4

2/9 SPED GAA SBO Parade Room 8-4:30

CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY

2/7 Progress Reports

Faculty Meeting

2/8 PLC with Administration about Reading Comprehension

Leadership Meeting 3-4

2/9 Grade Level PLC's

Unle Maddio's Spirit Night

2/10 GCSS District Spelling Bee @ GMS 10:00 am

ENOTA ELEMENTARY

2/7 Progress Reports

Action Team Meeting 3:00 pm

FAIR STREET ELEMENTARY

2/7 Progress Reports

GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY

2/6 Administrative Meeting

2/7 Progress Reports

Leadership Meeting

Faculty Meeting

2/8 GANS Meeting

2/9 Art Honor's Meeting

NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY

2/6 Administrative Meeting 12:30

2/7-10 Elachee Wee,

2/7 Progress Reports

Brenau Co-Teaching Collaborative with Jennifer Schuetze and Emily Hallman 1:00

Faculty Meeting 3:00 pm

2/8 PLC Grades K,1, 2 during Planning

2/9 PLC Grades 3, 4, 5 during Planning

GMS

2/3 Grade Level Planning Meetings During Planning

2/4 End of Season Basketball Tournament Championships @ Hebron Christian Academy

Helen Ruffin Regional Reading Bowl GMS

2/6-10 7th Grade Healthy Relationship Week

2/6 PBIS Monday Morning Drawing

Track Try-Outs Begin

2/7 Progress Reports

Tennis Try-outs Begin

2/8 Collaborative Planning During Planning Periods

PBIS Team Meeting Media Center 4:00-4:45

2/9 Track Tryouts End

2/10 System Spelling Bee @ GMS Elementary 10:00 MS 1:00

Tennis Try-outs End

GHS

2/2 & 3 Wrestling Sectionals Location TBA

2/3 & 2/4 State Swim Meet @ Georgia Tech

2/3 JV Basketball @ Apalachee Girls 4:00 Boys 5:30

Varsity Basketball @ Apalachee Girls 7:00 Boys 8:30

2/6 Region 8 AAAAA Basketball Tournament Play-in Games

Theatre Friends Board Meeting Mrs. Ware's Office 4:30 – 6:00

Thespian Meeting 6:00-7:30

2/7 Progress Reports

Region 8 AAAAA Basketball Tournament Boys Games @ Apalachee

2/8 Leadership Meeting Principal's Conference Room 3:30-4:30

Region 8 AAAAA Basketball Tournament Girls Games @ Apalachee

2/9-11 Georgia Thespian Conference Columbus, GA

2/9-11 Wrestling Traditional State Tournament Macon Centreplex

2/10 Region 8 AAAAA Basketball Tournament Semifinal Games @ Apalachee

2/11 Region 8 AAAAA Basketball Tournament Final Games @ Apalachee

DIRECTIONS TO SCHOOLS

These directions are for planning purposes only. You may find that construction projects, traffic, weather, or other events may cause conditions to differ from these results, and you should plan your route accordingly. If you find the directions, please e-mail beverly.n3ordholz@gcssk12.net so corrections can be made.

Apalachee High School : Highway 53 thru Winder. At McDonalds, go straight. This road becomes Hwy. 81. Follow 81 across Hwy 316 (BP station on left). Follow the highway until the 1st stop sign & turn right onto Carl-Bethlehem Road . Go 1/4 mile and take 1st left onto Haymon-Morris Road . Go 1 1/4 mile. Apalachee High School is on the left. 1st drive is for sports activities.

Macon Centreplex Coliseum and Convention Center-Go I-985 to I-85 to I-75 in Atlanta
From Atlanta : I-75 South to I-16 East, Exit 2. Turn left onto Coliseum Drive/US 80. Turn left onto Main Street. 200 Coliseum Drive.

Gainesville City School System will conduct a second round of Kindergarten registration during the week of February 6-10, 2017 from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM at the elementary school in which students are zoned. This kindergarten roundup is for families who did not register during the January 3-20, 2017 Kindergarten Roundup. Parents zoned for Mundy Mill Academy should register at the district office located at 508 Oak Street.

Parents should bring the following documents: birth certificate, immunization form #3231, ears, eyes and dental certificate #3300, social security card (if available), and 2 proofs of residency documents which include one of the following: current lease/mortgage/purchase agreement, current warranty or quit claim deed, current paycheck stub/IRS Form 1099, current homeowner's insurance policy **AND** a copy of a current (within 30 days) utility (gas, water, electric, cable/internet bill with service address), and photo ID of parent/guardian.

Centennial Arts Academy 852 Century Place 770 287- 2044

Enota Multiple Intelligences Academy 1340 Enota Ave NE 770 532- 7711

Fair Street IB Academy 695 Fair Street 770 536- 5295

Gainesville Exploration Academy 1145 McEver Road 770 287- 1223

New Holland Knowledge Academy 170 Barn Street 770 287- 1095

Mundy Mill Academy 508 Oak Street 770 536- 5275

For additional information, please contact Priscilla Collins, Chief Professional Services Officer, at priscilla.collins@gcssk12.net or 770-536-5275.

Mark your calendar for the next GHS Theatre production. FAME the musical starring 40 very talented singers, actors, and dancers will open Feb 28 with additional performances March 1 and 2.

Piedmont College Graduate Programs MA and EDS Informational Meeting - Tuesday, February 7th @ 4:30 pm - Gainesville City - Gainesville Middle School Media Center ...
Classes will begin in the summer semester 2017

Gainesville Athletic Club's 7th Annual Stomp & Chomp

Saturday February 4, 2017

Doors Open at 6:00 pm

Food Provided by Johnny's BBQ

Gainesville Civic Center

Silent Auction through Online Bidding

Individual Tickets - \$50

Event Sponsorships (includes 10 tickets and recognition at the event) - \$500

For tickets, contact Cooper Embry at cembry@tnb

GHS-FBLA (Future Business Leaders) has 2017 Chick-Fil-A Calendars with Rewards Card attached for sale for \$10. Reward cards are now loadable to your phone using the Chick-Fil-A One app. Contact Patricia Pratt, FBLA Advisor at Patricia.pratt@gcssk12.net for delivery to your school location.

SAVE THE DATE-Gainesville City School System will host a celebration of the 125 year anniversary of the establishment of the system on Sunday, February 26 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm at the Gainesville High School Campus. All alumni, current and former faculty and staff, friends and family are invited. To submit pictures for slideshow: 125years@gcssk12.net. For info: beverly.nordholz@gcssk12.net

The following students were selected as a Governor's Honors Program 2017 semi-finalist. These students were selected after participating in the first round of the state competition. Over 3200 students from Georgia were nominated to the state level competition and only 1700 were selected as semi-finalists for the state interviews/auditions. They will travel to Berry College on February 25th for the final round of competition.

Catie Cook - Communicative Arts
Grace O'Keefe - Communicative Arts
Grayson Wagner - Mathematics
Guillermo Beltran - Science
Anita Medepalli - Science
Natasha Enriquez - Social Studies
Ramiro Salinas - Theatre
Izzy Pate - Theatre

New York Times Article about Indira Islas, 2016 GHS Grad Attending Delaware State University on a The Dream.US Scholarship

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/01/25/magazine/the-only-way-we-can-fight-back-is-to-excel.html? r=0>

GHS Senior Hunter Mallard won the Georgia Indoor Pole Vault State Championship with a personal best 16 feet, ¼ inch Sunday, January 29. He placed first by almost a foot against his nearest competitor. Mallard now stands ranked No. 1 in the state in the pole vault and 11th nationally. He is one of only 8 GHSA athletes ever to vault 16 ft or higher while in high school.

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/28/article/121623/>

Two Wofford College students who are GHS grads have studied abroad during the school's "Interim." Sara Hayes was in Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia and Pep Brown went to Namibia, Botswana, and Zimbabwe.

GHS Basketball Remains at #2 in Latest Poll

GHS Senior Girls Basketball Star Honored for Scoring 1500 Points in Career on Senior Night <http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/28/article/121645/>

GHS Boys Remain Undefeated in Region Play With Win Over Winder-Barrow
<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/28/article/121645/>

Fundraiser for Deshaun Watson Banner Surpassed the Target Goal
<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/173/article/121624/>

Gainesville Schools Rated Good on Climate, Finances
<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/6/article/121589/>

Gainesville Schools Places New Focus on Teaching Personal Finances
<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/6/article/121603/>

GHS Boys Basketball Powers Over Lanier to Stay Unbeaten in Region
<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/28/article/121595/>

Banner to Honor Deshaun Watson
<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/173/article/121553/>