



# ELEPHANT TRACKS

*CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS*

March 15, 2019

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## **ALL SCHOOLS**

- 3/15 Beginning of Fourth Nine Weeks  
Staff Planning Day –No School for Students  
SNP FARM to School Training SBO Board Room 7:30-4:00 pm
- 3/16 Big Red Reunion GHS Cafeteria 1-3 (See Below)
- 3/18 School Board Regular Meeting @ Gainesville Exploration Academy 6:00 pm
- 3/19 Report Cards Issued for Third Nine Weeks  
Wraparound #2 Academic & Career Development SBO Board Room 8:30-11:33  
Technology Department Meeting SBO Parade Room 10-11  
Volleyball Clinic Begins @ GHS for Elementary & GMS 6:00 pm (See Below)
- 3/20 National Agriculture Day  
Fingerprinting for New Hires SBO Parade Room 10-11
- 3/21 ESOL PL for Teachers SBO Board Room 4-8 pm
- 3/22 RTL/MTSS Annual Review SBO Board Room 8:30-10:30 am  
Cabinet Meeting SBO Superintendent's Conference Room 8:30-12 Noon  
Food Service Root Vegetable Party @ Mundy Mill

## **CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY**

- 3/15 Beginning of Fourth Nine Weeks  
Staff Planning Day –No School for Students
- 3/16 Saturday School
- 3/18-22 Book Fair  
Jeans Week Fundraiser \$5/Day
- 3/18 Kindergarten Field Trip to GAAquarium
- 3/19 Report Cards Issued for Third Nine Weeks  
Support Committees  
Arty Party at the Quinlan for Attendance Winner 10-12  
Volleyball Clinic Begins @ GHS for Elementary & GMS 6:00 pm (See Below)
- 3/20 PLC w/Administration  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Literacy Event 11-12  
Governance Council 3:00 pm
- 3/21 International Night 6:00 pm
- 3/22 Saturday School

## **ENOTA ELEMENTARY**

- 3/15 Beginning of Fourth Nine Weeks  
Staff Planning Day –No School for Students
- 3/19 Report Cards Issued for Third Nine Weeks  
School Leadership Meeting 3:00 pm  
Volleyball Clinic Begins @ GHS for Elementary & GMS 6:00 pm (See Below)
- 3/20 HR Attendance Arty Party-Quinlan Arts 10:00
- 3/21 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Musical K-2 1-1:30 3-5 1:35-2:05  
School Governance Council Meeting 4:00 pm

3/22 Be the One Rallies

**FAIR STREET ELEMENTARY**

3/11-15 Book Fair

3/15 Beginning of Fourth Nine Weeks

Staff Planning Day –No School for Students

3/18 -20 Tybee Island Field Trip

3/19 Report Cards Issued for Third Nine Weeks

Volleyball Clinic Begins @ GHS for Elementary & GMS 6:00 pm (See Below)

3/22 Honors Day

**GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY**

3/7-25<sup>th</sup> Pennies for Patients

3/15 Beginning of Fourth Nine Weeks

Staff Planning Day –No School for Students

3/19 Report Cards Issued for Third Nine Weeks

Volleyball Clinic Begins @ GHS for Elementary & Middle School 6:00 pm (See Below)

3/20 Picture Day

3/22 Arty Party at Quinlan

**MUNDY MILL**

3/15 Beginning of Fourth Nine Weeks

Staff Planning Day –No School for Students

3/18 Art Fundraiser thru PTA 8:00 am

3/19 Report Cards Issued for Third Nine Weeks

4<sup>th</sup> Grade to William Harris Home

Volleyball Clinic Begins @ GHS for Elementary & Middle School 6:00 pm (See Below)

K-2nd Grade Performance Cafeteria 6:30-7:30 pm

3/22 Awards Ceremony 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> 8:15-9:15 K-2<sup>nd</sup> 9:15-10:15

Root Vegetable Party during Lunches

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Club Day 1:30-2:10

3/26 3-5 Grade Spring Concert Cafeteria 6:30 pm

**NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

3/15 Beginning of Fourth Nine Weeks

Staff Planning Day –No School for Students

3/19 Chick-Fil-A Spirit Night 5-8 pm

Volleyball Clinic Begins @ GHS for Elementary & Middle School 6:00 pm (See Below)

3/22 Awards Day 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>-8:15-9:15 K-1<sup>st</sup> -9:15-10:15 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> 10:15-11:15

School Governance Council Meeting

Saturday School 9-12

## GMS

3/15 Beginning of Fourth Nine Weeks-New Exploratory Schedules for Students

Staff Planning Day –No School for Students

3/16 Baseball @ Chestatee (DH) 1:00

3/18 Golf @ Jefferson

Baseball @ Eash Hall 5:00 pm

3/19-23 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Washington, DC

3/19 Report Cards Issued for Third Nine Weeks

Volleyball Clinic Begins @ GHS for Elementary & Middle School 6:00 pm (See Below)

3/21 Golf vs. Jefferson @ Chattahoochee Golf Course

Baseball vs. East Hall (DH) @ Ivey Watson 5:00 pm

## GHS

2/20-4/1GHS Digital Media Spring VHS-DVD Sale (See Below)

3/15 Beginning of Fourth Nine Weeks

Staff Planning Day –No School for Students

Varsity Soccer @ Lanier High Girls 5:30 pm Boys 7:30 pm

Varsity Baseball vs. North Oconee @ Cool Ray Field 6:00 pm

3/16 Track @ GAC 9:00 am

Girls Golf Lady Bronco Invitational Summit Chase 9:00 am

JV Baseball vs. Flowery Branch 11:00 am

Boys Golf Athens Classic @ UGA 12:00 noon

Big Red Reunion GHS Cafeteria 1-3 (See Below)

3/18 Administrative Team Meeting Principal's Conference Room 10:00 am

Boys Golf Big Red Shootout @ Chattahoochee Golf Club 3:25

Track @ Winder 5:30 pm

JV Soccer at Winder Girls 5:30 pm Boys 7:00 pm

Girls Lacrosse vs. Oconee Co. @ Home 5:30 pm

Varsity Baseball@ Lanier High School 5:55 pm

Boys Lacrosse @ Lanier 7:00 pm

3/19 Report Cards Issued for Third Nine Weeks

Military Signings 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Lobby 7:45-8:15

JV Baseball Tournament

Girls Golf @ North Oconee 3:30 pm

Tennis @ Habersham 4:00 pm

Girls Lacrosse vs. Norcross @ Home

Varsity Soccer @ Apalachee Girls 5:30 Boys 7:30 pm

Varsity Baseball vs. Lanier @ Home 5:55 pm

Crimson Chorus *Music of All Nations* Concert 7:00 pm

3/20 Tennis @ North Hall 4:00 pm

Girls Golf White Co./North Hall @ Home 4:00 pm

Girls Lacrosse vs. Norcross @ Home 5:30 pm

3/21 Boys Lacrosse vs. Forsyth Central @ Home Student Spirit Night 6:00 pm  
3/22 Varsity Soccer vs. Habersham Central @ Home Girls 5:30 pm Boys 7:30 pm  
Varsity Baseball @ Lanier 5:55 pm  
3/23 Girls Golf Athens Classic  
Boys Golf Achasta Classic 12:00 Noon

### **DIRECTIONS TO SCHOOLS AND VENUES**

*\*The directions listed below were taken off various sources and may not reflect changes in road names, additional roads that have been added, or detours. Should you get lost, do the girl thing and stop and ask for directions.*

**For directions to any school in Georgia, go to this link:**

[http://www.schooldirections.com/ga\\_school\\_directions.htm](http://www.schooldirections.com/ga_school_directions.htm)

**Achasta Golf Club** – Go Highway 60 North toward Dahlonega. Go 17.1 miles. Turn right onto Burch River Drive. Go .6 miles. Course is on left. 639 Burch River Drive

**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.

**Chattahoochee Golf Course**-Go Highway 60 ( Thompson Bridge Road ) across the first bridge. Go to the second light (just before you get to Ingles Shopping Center ). Turn left. Clubhouse will be on left.

**Chestatee High School**-Go Highway 60 N. over bridge. Go to first light past Ingles. Turn left on Ledan. Go to intersection of Sardis Road and go left again. School will be on right on Sardis Road.

**Cool Ray Field**-Go 985 S. to Exit 4. Turn left onto Hwy. 20. Go past Mall of Georgia and under I 85. Cool Ray Field will be on the right. This is the home of the Gwinnett Braves.

**East Hall High School** - Go Jesse Jewel Parkway . Go under I-985. Road changes into Old Cornelia Highway . School will be approximately 2 miles on your right. Baseball, soccer, and football fields are approximately on mile down Old Cornelia Highway on the opposite side of the road as the school.

**GAC** – I-85 S. to Exit 101 ( Indian Trail Road ). Exit and turn left. GAC is located ¾ mile on the right.

**Habersham Central High School**-Go north on I-985. It will become Ga. 365. Continue north until you come to the Clarkesville/Mt Airy exit (Hwy. 197) which is just past mile marker #49. Exit there and at the end of the exit ramp, turn right. Habersham Central is 0.3 miles on the right.

**Jefferson High School**-Take US-129 South towards Jefferson . After you cross over I-85 continue on US-129. Go until you see a Kroger on the right-hand side of the road. Turn left at that light onto Old Pendergrass Road. Go to dead-end and school will be in front of you.

**Johnson High School**-Go 985 South to Exit 16 (Oakwood). Go left when you get off the Interstate. Go approximately 1/2 mile to big intersection and take left onto Atlanta Highway Entrance to school will be just past the old South Hall Middle School on your right. 3305 Poplar Springs Road, Gainesville, GA

**Lanier High School**- Go 985 S. to exit 4. Turn right on Highway 20. Go 1.3 miles. Turn left on Buford Hwy. US 23. Go 1.4 miles. 918 Buford Highway, Sugar Hill, GA will be on your right.

**UGA Golf Course**-Go 129 S. toward Athens. Go 35.6 miles. Go to Prince Avenue/Ga. 15 Alt. Go 3.27 miles. Turn left onto Riverbend Road. 2600 Riverbend Road.

**Winder-Barrow High School**- Go 985 S. to Exit 16. Go left on Winder Highway (Hwy. 53). Turn right just below Crystal Farms onto Hwy. 211. Go 211 to Winder. Stay on 211 for several more miles. When you pass Real Deal on your left, begin looking for McNeal Rd. on your right. Turn right onto McNeal Rd. and follow it until it dead ends. Turn right onto Candler St. This brings you in behind the stadium. Simply circle the block to get to the gym

Attention All GHS Alums: Join fellow Red Elephants & enjoy seeing friends from across the decades as the *Big Red Spirit* lives on.. Saturday, March 16, from 1-3 pm at the GHS Cafeteria (No Cost for Attending). The Varsity Food Truck will be there from 1-2 pm. Cost to eat \$9.000(Includes two entrees, fries, or rings). A group photo will be made at 3:00 pm. Please spread the word to all your GHS contacts- *Elephants Never Forget!!!* One lucky elephant will take a diamond tennis bracelet home compliments of Gainesville Jewelry.

*Music of All Nations* will be presented by the GHS Crimson Chorus on March 19, 2019 at 7:00 pm in the Pam Ware performing Arts Center.

Spring Student Spirit Night Dates Announced

Baseball 3/15

Boys Lacrosse 3/21

Soccer 3/22

Girls Lacrosse 3/27

For the month of **March 2019**, the pay date is March 29, 2019. The payroll dates are February 3 till March 2, 2019. Everything will be due on March 4, 2019. Please do not delay in approving leave and turning in time sheets.

For the month of **April 2019**, the pay date is April 30, 2019. The payroll dates are March 3 till April 6, 2019. Everything will be due on April 8, 2019. If you have time sheet before the break, you can go ahead and turn it in. Again, please do not delay in approving leave and turning in time sheets.

GHS Head Volleyball Coach Randall Roys is encouraging our elementary and middle school girls to get involved in Volleyball..

**They will practice and play at Gainesville High School for 6 weeks beginning on Tuesday, March 19, at 6pm. Registration cost is \$50 and includes a shirt for practices/matches.**

**Here is what you need:**

Be a student in the Gainesville City School System

**Elementary** (Centennial, Enota, Fair Street, Gainesville Elem., Mundy Mill, New Holland)

**Gainesville Middle** (6th and 7th Graders)

Sign up at <http://bit.ly/FutureVolleyphants>

GHS Digital Media Class is having a Spring VHS-DVD sale from Feb. 20-April 1. Copy 5 VHS tapes to DVD and get one free. Must copy all 6 at one time. All proceeds support the GHS Digital Media WBL Program.

6 VHS to DVD for \$50.00

6 DVD to DVD for \$25.00

Open to the public.

For information: [joseph.miller@gcsc12.net](mailto:joseph.miller@gcsc12.net).

Fair Street will be hosting a series of parenting classes on the first Monday of each month They will be presented by Dr. Hall and Mrs. Hernandez. Times are 9-10 am and 3-4 pm.

Systematic Training for Effective Parenting

April 8 Discipline That Makes Sense

May 6 Choosing Your Approach

### **GHS DRAMA DEPARTMENT SPRING SHOWS**

March 24 MR. GHS

May 8-10 AIDA

### **PAJAMA DRAMA**

Pajama Drama will be April 19-20. We welcome all children in grades 2nd through 6th.

Information will be coming home with the children from their schools the week before Spring Break. This is a fun opportunity for children to experience GHS drama under the guidance of Pam Ware and her students.

Gainesville City Schools employees, family, and friends are being offered a 30% discount on tickets to the Gainesville Ballet Company's production of A Frozen Ballet later this month. Go to <https://gainesvilleballet.tix.com/Schedule.aspx?OrgNum=5311> and use discount code **TEACH30** to receive a 30% discount on all tickets.

### **2019 Spring Story Book Ballet - A Frozen Ballet**

**March 22 7:30 pm**

**March 23 2:00 pm 7:30 pm**

**March 24 2:00 pm**

Many of our GCSS students will be performing in the production.

Brenau University and the United Way of Hall County will prepare and e-file tax returns at no charge this coming tax season. For households earning up to \$54,000 a year. Location: Gainesville-Hall Community Service Center, 430 Prior Street SE, Gainesville, GA 30501. For appointments: 770-535-7066. Dates and times: Mondays 2-6 Virtual Intakes Only. Fridays 2-6 Virtual Pickups Only. Saturdays 9-4 walk-ins, appointments, intake & pick-ups. Starting January 25-April 13. Closed 2/8 & 25 and 3/1 and 2.

On March 8, 2019 the GHS Math Team participated in the University of North Georgia Math Competition. These 9 students competed in CIPHERING, Math and Logic Games, Problem Solving and a Multiple Choice Test. The Math Team members are Mary Nelson Bell, Caleb Anderson, Mark Toth, Baylor Montoya, Grayson Wagner, Cory Jenrette, Ella Tucker, Uyen Ta, and Ben Burns. Congratulations to Uyen Ta who placed 2nd in Math and Logic Games.

### LAST WEEK IN SPORTS:

#### Golf

Ryan Davidson (67) finished as Individual low medalist and led the Red Elephants to a 2nd place team finish (298) in the Apple Mountain Invitational

#### Tennis

Boys Varsity Beat Dacula 5-0 improving their Re-gion record to 2-0 also defeated Riverside 5-0

Girls Varsity beat Dacula 2-0 improving their Region record to 2-0

#### Soccer

Varsity Boys beat Habersham Central 4-1

JV Boys beat Habersham Central 6-1

#### Track

Top finisher for GHS track this weekend

-Boys high jump-Juan Cavazos -Boys 4x1 mile- school record time- Eduardo Castaneda, Johnny Nunez, Donangelo Marshall, Miguel Lopez -Boys 4x800- Eduardo Castaneda, Gavin Lee, Kenneth Maldonado, Jose Amezcua -Girls Distance Medley- school record time- Ashley Sosa, Jada Robertson, Lauren Teasley, Ashley Thompson



*GHS Drama Teacher Pam Ware Receives Girl Scouts Woman of Distention Award*  
<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/video-watch-pam-ware-gainesville-accept-woman-distinction-award-girl-scouts-historic-georgia/>

*Gainesville Boys Soccer Team Beats Winder-Barrow with Penalty Kicks*  
<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/gainesvilles-boys-soccer-program-secures-thrilling-region-win-against-winder-barrow/>

*Gainesville Girls & Boys Golf Team Win County Championship*  
<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/mikayla-dubniks-two-day-total-sets-record-18-holes-hall-county-championships/>

*Gainesville Boys & Girls Golf Teams Leading After Day 1 of County Championship*  
<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/high-school-golf-gainesvilles-boys-and-girls-teams-lead-after-first-day-hall-county-golf-championship/>

*GHS Boys Golf Wins Second Place at Apple Mountain Golf Tournament*  
<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/ryan-davidson-shoots-67-gainesville-high-boys-team-takes-second-apple-mountain-invitational/>

*GHS Boys Tennis Wins Over Riverside*  
<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/gainesville-earns-sizable-tennis-win-against-riverside-military/>

*Overlapping seasons in high school sports is a burden to some. But, to others, it's an opportunity to stand out.*  
<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/overlapping-seasons-high-school-sports-burden-some-others-its-opportunity-stand-out/>