



# ELEPHANT TRACKS

*CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS*

March 29, 2019

**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](http://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](mailto:beverly.nordholz@gcssk12.net).

## **ALL SCHOOLS**

3/29 Pay Day

4/1-5 Spring Break – No School for Students, Faculty, Staff

4/8 SPED ESY Screening SBO Parade Room 8:30-10:30 am

Time Sheets Due to Central Office 10:00 am

4/9 Academic Achievement & Wraparound SBO Board Room 9-11

Academic Coaches Meeting SBO Board Room 11-12:30 pm

4/11 School Nutrition SBO Parade Room 8:45-11 am

Online Testing Training SBO Board Room 9-12

4/12 Registration Forms Due for Pajama Drama

4/15 School Board Work Session & Regular Meeting @ New Holland 6:00 pm

## **CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY**

4/1-5 Spring Break – No School for Students, Faculty, Staff

4/9 Faculty Meeting

4/10 PLC w/Administration

Leadership Team 3:00 pm

4/13 Saturday School

## **ENOTA ELEMENTARY**

3/29 STOMP Zone

Blue Pop Day

4/1-5 Spring Break – No School for Students, Faculty, Staff

## **FAIR STREET ELEMENTARY**

4/1-5 Spring Break – No School for Students, Faculty, Staff

4/8 Parenting Class *Discipline That Makes Sense* 9-10 am & 3-4 pm

4/9 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade to Zoo Atlanta

4/10 Literacy PLC

PBIS Meeting

Leadership Meeting 2:45 pm

## **GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY**

4/1-5 Spring Break – No School for Students, Faculty, Staff

## **MUNDY MILL**

3/29 Red Out Day

Student Council Meeting 1:30 pm

4/1-5 Spring Break – No School for Students, Faculty, Staff

4/8 Test Prep 7-9 AM

4/9 Mrs. Smith's Class Field Trip

4/10 Student Governance Council 12-1  
4/12 Careers on Wheels for Pre-k-5 8-12  
4/13 Saturday School 9-1

### **NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

4/1-5 Spring Break – No School for Students, Faculty, Staff  
4/9 Kindergarten Planning Day  
4/10 1st Grade Planning Day  
4/11 2nd Grade Planning Day  
Milestone Prep Night for Parents - 5:30  
4/12 - ESOL Planning Day

### **GMS**

3/29 Baseball Tournament  
4/1-5 Spring Break – No School for Students, Faculty, Staff

### **GHS**

3/29 Track @ Cherokee Bluff 4:00 pm  
Varsity Soccer @ Winder Girls 5:30 pm Boys 7:30 pm  
Varsity Baseball vs. Habersham Central @ Home 5:55 pm  
4/1-5 Spring Break – No School for Students, Faculty, Staff  
4/1 Varsity Baseball @ Apalachee 5:55 pm  
4/3 Varsity Baseball vs. Apalachee @ Home 5:55 pm  
4/5 Varsity Baseball @ Apalachee 5:55 pm  
4/8-12 Student Council Campaigning Week 2  
4/8 Administrative Team Meeting Principal's Conference Room 10 am  
Theatre Friends Meeting PAC 4:30-6  
Varsity Baseball @ Dacula 5:55 pm  
4/9 Boys Lacrosse vs. Lanier @ Home 6:00 pm  
4/10 Boys Golf Cambridge Cup  
Varsity Baseball vs. Dacula @ Home 5:55 pm  
Boys Lacrosse vs. Denmark @ Home 6:00 pm  
NJROTC Awards Night Pam Ware Performing Arts Center 6-8  
4/11 Girls Lacrosse @ Brookwood High School  
4/12 Varsity Soccer vs. Lanier @ Home (Senior Night) Girls 5:30 pm Boys 7:30 pm  
Varsity Baseball @ Dacula 5:55 pm  
4/13 Girls Golf Creekview Invitational  
Girls Lacrosse @ North Oconee 3:30 pm

## 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)

**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.

**Brookwood High School**-Go 985 South to 85 South. Take Exit 104-Pleasant Hill Road. Go left on Pleasant Hill Road. Go 2.95 miles. Merge onto Ronald Reagan Parkway. Go 4 miles and take Five Forks Trickum Road exit. Keep right to take ramp toward Lawrenceville. Turn left onto Dogwood Road.

**Cherokee Bluff High School** -Take 985 South to Spout Springs Road exit. Turn left at the end of the exit ramp. Go 2.5 miles. School is on left hand side of road. 6603 Spout Springs Road.

**Dacula High School**- 316 East. Left on Highway 8. Go to the next traffic light. Turn left on Broad Street . Cross RR tracks and turn left on Hebron Church Road . School is on the right.

**North Oconee High School** – Go Pearl Nix Parkway. Turn right onto Atlanta Highway, GA-13. Go 4.8 miles and turn left onto GA-53. Go 4.3 miles and turn right onto Old Winder Hwy./GA211. Go 14.2 miles. Turn right onto Horton Street. Then turn left onto W. May St/US29/Lawrenceville-Athens Highway. Go 3 miles. Turn right onto US 29/GA53/ GA8/ Hog Mountain Road. Go 11.9 miles and turn left onto Rocky Branch Road and turn left. **1081 Rocky Branch Road** is on left.

**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

GMS Talent Show

April 18th 6 pm

GMS Cafeteria Admission at the door

GMS Chorus Performance 6th and 7th grade

May 2<sup>nd</sup> 6 pm

Cinderella and Alice in Wonderland

GMS Cafeteria

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 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@gcssk12.net](mailto:joseph.miller@gcssk12.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.

April 8 Discipline That Makes Sense

May 6 Choosing Your Approach

Attention GCSS teachers! If you are interested in a teaching job for the month of June, we are interested in YOU!!!! The RISE summer camp, addressing summer learning loss is hiring. Your commitment would be: May 30-31 Preplanning, June 3-28 M-F 8AM-5PM. Wednesday will be afternoons at Frances Meadow and Fridays are Field trip days. Please apply at the following website:

[https://workforcenow.adp.com/mascsr/default/mdf/recruitment/recruitment.html?cid=eb269387-5359-4445-aeb7-9c9331227f69&ccId=19000101\\_000001&type=MP&lang=en\\_US](https://workforcenow.adp.com/mascsr/default/mdf/recruitment/recruitment.html?cid=eb269387-5359-4445-aeb7-9c9331227f69&ccId=19000101_000001&type=MP&lang=en_US)

Come join the FUN at RISE!!!!

**GHS DRAMA DEPARTMENT SPRING SHOW**

May 8-10 Pam Ware Performing Arts Center 7:30 pm

**Aida** –Winner of four Tony Awards, weaves a story of romance, loyalty, and treachery. The love triangle between an enslaved Aida , an Egyptian princess Amneris, and a soldier Prince Radames is captured in the pop/rock and beautiful ballads that bring this story into a new era. **Aida** is an intriguing musical not to be missed.

## **PAJAMA DRAMA**

GHS Pajama Drama

April 19th & 20th

Students in 2nd-6th grade

Information will be going to the schools the week of 3/25. This will be before Spring Break.

Registration forms due April 12th

\$50 per child

Come for a night of theatre and fun at the Pam Ware Performing Art Center!!

The Wisdom Keepers of Gainesville-Hall County and the Northeast Georgia Medical Center are partnering to promote *Plan in a Can*, a program to assist emergency personnel have the information they need when transporting people to the hospital. They are collecting empty tennis ball cans for the project. For information or to arrange pick-up, please contact: [beverly.nordholz@gcssk12.net](mailto:beverly.nordholz@gcssk12.net).

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.

## **RESULTS OF MR. GHS CONTEST**

Congratulations to the following young gentlemen who shared their talents and modeling skills so professionally last evening.

2019 MR. GHS is George Henry Ewers.

MR CONGENIALITY is Dante Wilson.

First Runner Up is Trystien Pierre.

Second Runner UP is Pete Alexander.

Third Runner Up is Mauricio Picazo.

Modeling Winner is Jean Gitinyiro.

Talent Winner is Trystien Pierre.

Interview Winner is Pete Alexander.

The 11th Annual Masters in Teaching program by Featherbone Communiversity and Brenau University was held last week. The 2 GCSS honorees were Loredana Simonca (ESOL @ GEA) and Jessica Chambers (Kindergarten @ New Holland). The Masters in Teaching program honors a group of instructors annually who excel in their expertise, influence, and personal qualities. Congratulations

## LAST WEEK IN SPORTS:

### Golf

Varsity boys team finished in 3rd place at the Big Red Shootout  
Varsity Boys Finished 5th of 14 at the Achasta Classic

### Tennis

Boys Varsity beat Habersham Central 5-0, North Hall 4-1 & Johnson 5-0  
Girls Varsity beat Johnson 4-1

### Soccer

Boys Varsity beat Apalachee 8-0  
Girls Varsity beat Habersham Central 3-2 (in PKs)

### Baseball

Varsity Baseball beat Lanier 7-4  
GMS Beat East Hall 11-0, 15-0 & 13-3

*Ben Still Hits Walk-Off Home Run as GHS Beats Habersham Central*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/gainesville-high-tops-habersham-central-dramatic-walk-style/>

*Retiring Center Point Director David Smith Devotes 30 Years to Our Youth*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/why-david-smith-devoted-30-years-towards-helping-kids-thrive/>

*Barbershop Partners With Schools to Promote Literacy*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/how-local-barber-shop-partners-schools-advance-child-literacy/>

*Track Team Prepares for County Championship*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/hall-county-track-field-teams-eye-next-weeks-county-championship-chance-assert-program-dominance/>

*GHS Boys Soccer Team Beats Johnson 5-0*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/gainesville-high-tennis-looks-capture-region-season-title-tuesday/>

*Success Center to Help Students*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/search/?q=Student+Success+Center>