



ELEPHANT TRACKS

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS

May 3, 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.

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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

5/3 5th Grade ELA Science Milestones Testing

5/4 Last Day of Pay Period

Read to Learn, Live, and Lead Event GHS 10-1 (See Below)

5/6 Time Sheets Due to Central Office

Work Session & Regular Meeting SBO Board Room 6:00 pm

5/7 Academic Achievement & Wrap-Around Services SBO Board Room 9-11

5/8 National School Nurse Day

SPED Teachers' Folder Check SBO Parade Room 12-5

5/9 Hall Co. Family Connection SBO Board Room 11:30-4:30

5/10 Cabinet Meeting 8:30-12

5/11 Boys & Girls Club Duck Derby Clark's Bridge Park (See Below)

National School Nurse Day is Wednesday, May 8th

CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY

5/3 5th Grade ELA Science Milestones Testing

5/7 Pre-K to Jaemor

5/8 PLC w/Administration

Leadership Meeting 3:00 pm

5/9 Lunch Provided by GFUMC

Art Show & Gr. K/1 Musical

5/10 GKIDS Data to be Entered

5th Grade to Courthouse

ENOTA ELEMENTARY

5/3 5th Grade ELA Science Milestones Testing

5/6-10 Teacher Appreciation Week

5/10 Stomp Zone @ Jump Houses (K & 1st)

FAIR STREET ELEMENTARY

5/3 5th Grade ELA Science Milestones Testing

5/6 Parenting *Choosing Your Approach* 9-10 am & 3-4 am

5/7 School Governance Council 9-10

5/8 Literacy PLC & Faculty Meeting

GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY

5/3 5th Grade ELA Science Milestones Testing

MUNDY MILL

- 5/3 5th Grade ELA Science Milestones Testing
5/6-10
5/6 4th Grade ELA Writing Milestone Testing
5/7 4th Grade ELA Reading Milestone Testing
Faculty Meeting 3-4 pm
Drama & MMLA Chorus Performance 6:30-7:30
5/8 4th Grade ELA Math Milestone Testing
Blue Pop Money Due
School Governance Council Meeting 12:00 Noon
5/9 PTA Meeting 6:30 pm
5/10 Blue Pops 1:00 pm

NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- 5/3 5th Grade ELA Science Milestones Testing

GMS

GHS

- 5/6 Administrative Team Meeting Principal's Conference Room 10 am
5/8 *Aida* Pam Ware Performing Arts Center 7:00 pm
5/9 Boys Region Golf Tournament
Aida Pam Ware Performing Arts Center 7:00 pm
5/10 Decision Day 2-3:30
Aida Pam Ware Performing Arts Center 7:00 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

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.

GHS Baccalaureate May 18 St. John's Baptist Church 10:00 am
Last Day of School May 24, 2019
Graduation May 24, 2019 City Park Bobby Gruhn Field 7:30 pm

National School Nurse Day is Wednesday, May 8th.

May 4, 2019 10:00AM–1:00PM Gainesville High School - Come to Our Gainesville Read to Learn, Live, and Lead Event! Parents' participation in reading culture—which provides skills and knowledge—will enhance children's educational attainment. —The Joy and Power of Reading “ “ Carmen Agra Deedy is a New York Times best-selling author who has been writing and traveling around the world to tell her stories for more than 20 years. Her books—including 14 Cows for America, The Library Dragon, The Yellow Star, and Martina the Beautiful Cockroach—have received numerous awards and honors. Join the Gainesville City School District and Scholastic Education for our Read to Learn, Live, and Lead event! All PreK–5 students and their families are invited to celebrate the importance of reading and sharing books at home. This fun-filled extravaganza will feature arts and crafts, games, read-alouds, food, and literacy workshops to help families bring the joy of reading into their homes.

For the month of **May 2019**, the pay date is May 31, 2019. The payroll dates are April 7 till May 4, 2019. Everything will be due on May 6, 2019. Please do not delay in approving leave and turning in time sheets. For the month of **June 2019**, the pay date is June 28, 2019. The payroll dates are May 5 till June 8, 2019. Everything will be due on June 10, 2019. Again, please do not delay in approving leave and turning in time sheets. **For those that will not be working during the summer, please turn in your time sheet before you leave. Also make sure all leave has been properly approved and your time sheet matches employee self service.**

The Gainesville City School System recognizes school and district administrators who display outstanding leadership qualities. These individuals motivate and inspire others around them, set high standards of integrity, delegate roles and responsibilities among all team members, listen attentively and communicate effectively with all stakeholders with a clear, concise vision of strategic goals. The Mighty STOMP! Leader Award honors that remarkable leader who leads by Supporting Teachers and Others Modeling Positive-Performance (S.T.O.M.P.). The deadline for submitting nominations is May 10, 2019.

Nomination Process:

Employees can click the link listed below to nominate a **school or district administrator** for the leadership award.

The award recipient will be recognized at the May 2019 Board Meeting.

Mighty STOMP! Leader Award Nomination Form Link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSflwO7juhdpT8_CDUGilLxNkrKpTF6YffypV029cAQgZQebQA/viewform

INVITATION TO MRS. PAM WOOD'S RETIREMENT RECEPTION

HOST: New Holland Faculty and Staff

WHEN: Wednesday, May 15 from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM

WHERE: New Holland Media Center [170 Barn Street Gainesville, Georgia 30501](https://www.google.com/maps/place/170+Barn+Street+Gainesville,+GA+30501)

Tryouts for the Fall 2019 GHS and GMS Volleyball seasons will be Tuesday, May 14, and Wednesday, May 15, for Gainesville HIGH School and Thursday, May 16, and Friday, May 17, for Gainesville MIDDLE School. Times will be from 4:30-7pm for each day of tryouts. We will have four 'open' gyms in preparation for tryouts. Open gym will be on Tuesday (4/30), Thursday (5/2), Tuesday (5/7), and Thursday (5/9). Times for open gym will be from 5-6:30pm for middle school students (current 5th-7th grade) and 6:30-8pm for high school students (current 8th-11th grade).

Location will be at the GHS Main Gym.

In order to participate each participant **MUST** have physical on file or in hand.

Please email Coach Roys at randall.roys@gcssk12.net with any questions.

GMS Chorus Performance 6th and 7th grade

May 2nd 6 pm

Cinderella and Alice in Wonderland

GMS Cafeteria

Donations Accepted at the Door.

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.

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

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.

It's Duck Derby time for the Boys and Girls Club. 20,000 rubber ducks will be released this year at Lake Lanier Olympic Park on May 11th. This year's Derby will be from 3:00 to 9:00 and will include family friendly fun with bounce houses, pony rides, and a petting zoo, as well as food trucks, drinks, and a live concert by the Fly Betty Band. Over the 21 years of the Duck Derby, the growth of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier has exploded. They now serve over 1,000 kids each day in 15 sites! . Please consider the purchase of a Grand Pack. Note that we have raised the price slightly in the last couple of years to keep pace with our growing program demands - 125 bucks gets you 25 ducks – that's 20 at \$6 each, plus 5 free ducks. The grand prize again this year is **\$10,000 cash**. Other prizes include choice of a diamond solitaire or ring valued at \$5,000 from Gainesville Jewelry, generator from Kipper Tool, Canopy Tours getaway, free Chick-Fil-A for a year, craft brewery experience from LNB, and prize package from Tap It. For additional information: Abbott S. Hayes, Jr. @s for the project. For information or to arrange pick-up, please contact: beverly.nordholz@gcssk12.net