



ELEPHANT TRACKS

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS

May 4, 2018

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

- 4/30-5/4 Milestones Testing
- 5/4 GEC District Meeting SBO Board Room 8-4
- 5/5 Boys & Girls Club Rubber Duck Derby (See Below)
Last Day of Pay Period
- 5/7 Time Sheets Due to Central Office
School Board Work Session SBO Board Room 6:00 pm
- 5/8 Principal's Meeting SBO Board Room 9-12
Academic Coaches Meeting SBO Board Room 1-3
- 5/10 Family Connections SBO Board Room 11:30-2
- 5/21 School Board Meeting Public Safety Complex 6:00

CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY

- 4/30-5/4 Milestones Testing Grades 3 & 5
- 5/1 Faculty Meeting 5/4 School Lunch Super Hero Day
- 5/7 Kindergarten Field Trip to Jaemor'
- 5/8 Grade Level Meetings
- 5/9 Leadership Team 3:00 pm
- 5/10 Gail Hogan Summer Reading Program During Activity
RTI PLC Meeting During Planning
PTA Art Show 6:00 pm
- 5/11 GKIDS Window Closes
Italian Ice Day
Grade 5 Law Field Trip

ENOTA ELEMENTARY

- 4/30-5/4 Milestones Testing Grades 3 & 5

FAIR STREET ELEMENTARY

- 4/30-5/4 Milestones Testing Grades 3 & 5
- 5/8 SIP Meeting
- 5/11 First Grade Field Trip to Frances Meadows
G Kids Administrative Window Closes

GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY

- 4/30-5/4 Milestones Testing Grades 3 & 5
- 5/9 GAN During Planning

MUNDY MILL ACADEMY

- 4/30-5/4 Milestones Testing Grades 3 & 5
- 5/4 School Lunch Heroes Appreciation Day
- 5/7-11 Milestones Testing Continues

5/9 School Governance Council Meeting 12-1
5/10 School Dance 5:30-7:00
5/11 PBIS Cookout
Student Council Meeting 1:30 pm

NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY

4/30-5/4 Milestones Testing Grades 3 & 5
5/7-11 - Teacher Appreciation Week
5/10 - 2nd grade field trip to Gwinnett Braves
5/11 - 1st grade field trip to Warbington Farms

GMS

4/30-5/4 Milestones Testing
5/4 8th Grade Dance @ Civic Center 7-10 pm
5/7 Milestone Testing
5/8 Milestone Testing
5/9 Milestone Testing
5/10 Milestone Testing
5/11 Milestone Testing

GHS

5/4 2016-2017 Avenue of the Starts Thespians GHS Main Lobby 6:00 pm
Addams Family Pam Ware Performing Arts Center 7:30 pm
5/6 Generation Inspiration Opening Ceremony GHS Cafeteria 3-4:30
5/7 AP Exams 8:00 am Chemistry 12:00 Psychology First Baptist Church Green St.
Beta Club Inductions 9th Grade Cafeteria 5-6:30
Annual Thespian Awards PAC 7-9:30 pm
5/8 AP Exams 8:00 am Seminar 12:00 Art History First Baptist Church Green St
National French Honor Society Honors Night 9th Grade Academy Cafeteria 5:45-7:30
5/9 AP Exams 8:00 am English Lit First Baptist Church Green St
Leadership Meeting Media Center 3:45 pm
Chinese Honors Night 9th Grade Academy Cafeteria 6-7 pm
Beta Club Honors Night PAC 7-10 pm
5/10 AP Exam 12:00 Environmental Science First Baptist Church Green St
Key Club Banquet GHS Cafeteria 6-7:30 pm
NJROTC Awards Night PAC 6:30-8:00 pm
5/11 AP Exam 8:00 Us History First Baptist Church Green St
500 Queens Brunch Location TBA 10-11
State Track Finals @ Dacula
2018 Decision Celebration Gymnasium 2-3:30 pm

These directions are for planning purposes only. You may find that construction on 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.

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.

The final presentation for our theatre department will be *The Addams Family* May 2, 3, 4 at 7:30 pm in the Pam Ware Performing Arts Center at GHS.

In the kooky upside-down world of the Addams Family, to be sad is to be happy; to feel pain is to feel joy; death and suffering are the center of their dreams. Nonetheless, this quirky family still has to deal with many of the same challenges faced by any other family, and the spookiest nightmare faced by every family creates the focus in this musical: Addams kids are growing up. The Addams have lived by their unique values for hundreds of years. Wednesday now an 18 year old woman is ready for a life of her own. She has fallen in love with Lucas Beineke a sweet smart young man from a respectable normal Ohio family. In one fateful, hilarious night, secrets are disclosed, relationships are tested, and the Addams family must face up to the one horrible thing they've managed to avoid for generations: change.

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED AHEAD OF TIME BY

EMAIL. ghstheatre2445@gmail.com INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE SENT INDIVIDUALLY IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR THE SHOW.

GHS Annual HONORS ASSEMBLY

sponsored by the BETA Club

Wednesday May 16th, 7:00 p.m.

@ The Pam Ware Performing Arts Center

GMS Chorus concert. MoTown Spectacular will be on May 14th at 6:00 pm in the Cafeteria.

4/30-5/4 Milestones Testing

5/4 Social Studies-5th Grade

5/7-5/11 4th Grade Milestone Testing

5/8 ELA

5/9 Math

Last Day of School is May 25

Graduation is May 25 at 7:00 pm at Bobby Gruhn Field

Elementary Reports Cards will be Sent Home the Last Day of School

The Gainesville High School Crimson Chorus will be presenting their last performance of the year on Tuesday, May 15th at 7:30pm in the Pam Ware Performing Arts Center. It will be a

variety concert and will feature some favorite songs from the year as well as solo songs and dances. Our seniors will also be recognized at this concert for their dedication to the GHS Choral program. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

FRIDAY, MAY 4TH @ 6PM

Front Lobby Main Building of the School

We will dedicate the THREE (3) Stars for the 2016-2017 Avenue of the Starts Thespians:

ALLY KIMPLING

CAMERON PEACOCK

MEG THORNTON

Fair Street invites you to join them May 15th at 3:30 in the FSIA cafeteria as they celebrate the retirement of Amy Hamilton, Cynthia Hendrix, and Charlyne Holland-three wonderful women who have made such an impact on our school and the lives of our students. Please RVSP to veronica.portillo@gcssk12.net by April 30th if you will be able to attend.

Fair Street invites you to join them May 21st at 3:30 in the FSIA cafeteria as they celebrate the work and dedication of Mr. William Campbell in our school and community. We wish him the best of luck as he moves onto the next chapter of his life as the new Rush City superintendent. Please RVSP to veronica.portillo@gcssk12.net by April 30th if you will be able to attend.

GHS invites you to come and celebrate GHS's retirees-Tom Smith, Pat Caldwell, Michael Jackson, Chris Coy, Steve Lawhorne, Katie Denning, Marianna Connor, & Bruce Miller on Tuesday, May 29 from 2-4 pm in the GHS lobby.

Northeast Georgia Sports Hall of Fame will honor GHS grads Morgan House, Tasha Humphries, Counte Cooley, and Micah Owings at their 2018 Induction Ceremony & Reception on Thursday, May 24, 2018 from 6-8 PM at the Brenau Downtown Center, 301 Main Street, SW. Tickets are \$35.00 each. Visit www.negahc.org for tickets and information or call 770-297-5900.

GAINESVILLE JUNIOR GOLF "The Herd" SUMMER 2018 Come be a part of the junior program that has helped produce collegiate players, team champions, and individual champions. "The Herd," is the developmental arm of junior golf in Gainesville. The program is for the length of the summer, and is open to all boys and girls in Gainesville in grades 3-8 regardless of ability level. Focus of the sessions is both introductory instruction regarding FUN, practice routines, fundamentals, rules, etiquette, and other topics. Sessions will be taught by GHS Men's and Women's Golf Coaches. Counselors and mentors will be current GHS golfers. Session Dates June 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28 July 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26, 31 * 3rd-5th Grade - 8:30-9:30 AM * 6th-8th Grade - 9:45-11:00 AM Tuition The cost of joining "The Herd" is \$150 per camper for the summer. Participants can attend as many sessions as they

desire. The tuition includes all instruction, green fees, range balls, and a gift pack. The tuition is paid up-front and there are no refunds. Registration forms are located in the Chattahoochee Golf Club Pro Shop or by emailing Bryson Worley at the email address provided below. Questions? Contact: Bryson Worley at bryson.worley@gcssk12.net For personal instruction and/or week-long camps, check out the George Hunt Golf Academy and Camps - see the Chattahoochee Pro Shop (770-532-0066) for details or call George at 321-274-2805.

Enota invites you to celebrate the retirement of their wonderful science lab teacher, Mrs. Gayla Pierce. They will host a drop-in at their new cafeteria from 3:30-5:00 on Tuesday, May 29th. Please stop by to wish Gayla well and thank her for all she has done to inspire and prepare our students.

Upcoming Pay Dates

May 31, 2018

June 29, 2018

July 31, 2018

August 31, 2018

Spring 2018 AP Exam Schedule-All Exams are Held at First Baptist Church on Green Street.

May 7	8:00 am Chemistry	12:00 Psychology
May 8	8:00 am Seminar	12:00 Art History
May 9	8:00 am English Lit	
May 10		12:00 Environmental Science
May 11	8:00 Us History	
May 14	8:00 Biology	
May 15	8:00 Calculus BC	12:00 Computer Science A
May 16	8:00 English Language	12:00 Microeconomics
May 17	8:00 World History	12:00 Statistics
May 18	8:00 Human Geography	

*AP Research, Art 2D, and Art 3D do not have off-site tests. Materials are submitted via website.

GHS French Teacher, Mme. Finelli will be leading a tour of Paris, the Loire Valley, Brittany and Normandy from March 28 - April 6, 2019. More information can be found on the website www.explorica.com/Finelli-8717 and on the Facebook page Go Big Red French 2019 Spring Break in France. Sign up by the end of March for the best price. This is for all GHS students, faculty and staff who would like to visit France. You do not have to be enrolled in French.

Once again it is time for the Boys and Girls Club Duck Derby! Hard to believe, but this will be Duck Derby #20! We are planning to release 21,000 rubber ducks this year at Clarks Bridge Park on May 5th. This year's Derby will be from 12:00 to 3:00, followed by a Cinco de Mayo

Duck Fest celebration from 6:00 to 10:00, including live music, a variety of food trucks, and drinks. The Duck Derby is a critical fundraiser for the Boys & Girls Clubs in helping us continue to serve hundreds of kids per day in our afterschool programs, offering opportunities in education, arts, recreation, and leadership. Our average daily attendance at the Clubs continues to increase each year, and we need your help to push that number even higher. Please consider the purchase of a Grand Pack. Note that we have raised the price slightly this year to keep pace with our growing program demands - 125 bucks gets you 25 ducks – that's 20 at \$5 each, plus 5 free ducks. The grand prize again this year is **\$10,000 cash**. Other prizes include a diamond solitaire valued at \$5,000 from Gainesville Jewelry, Canopy Tours getaway, free Chick-Fil-A for a year, craft brewery experience, and Yeti products. For information, contact Abb Hayes @ (770) 532-6312

Gainesville Girls Golf Win Area 2-6A Championship

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/high-school-golf-scoreboard-gainesville-girls-win-area-2-6a-championship/>

Social Workers, School Officials Speak Housing Forum

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/social-workers-school-officials-seek-aid-homeless-students/>

Gainesville Baseball Takes Game 3 to Advance in State

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/high-school-baseball-gainesville-rallies-past-cambridge-take-first-round-series-three-games/>

GHS Baseball Splits in First Round of State

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/high-school-baseball-playoffs-gainesville-rallies-take-game-1-first-round-series-4-3/>

Boys Soccer Takes 3-1 Over Pope in First Round of State

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/high-school-soccer-playoffs-gainesville-boys-earn-3-1-win-against-pope-first-round/>