



ELEPHANT TRACKS

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS

September 21, 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

9/24 Mentor Pictures SBO Parade Room

9/25 Mentor Pictures SBO Parade Room

Wraparound #3 Community Partnership Meeting SBO Board Room 9:30-11:30

9/27 Social Work Meeting SBO Board Room 9-10 am

9/28 Payday for Employees

10/1 School Board Work Session @ SBO Board Room 6:00 pm

10/6 Last Day of Pay Period

10/8 Time Sheets Due to Central Office

CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY

9.25 Grade Level Meeting

9/26 PLC w/Administration

Leadership Meeting 3:00 pm

9/27 ESOL Team Meeting 2:30 pm

9/28 Italian Ice

ENOTA ELEMENTARY

FAIR STREET

9/25 Faculty Meeting

9/26 Literacy PLC

GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

9/17-21 Book Fair

MUNDY MILL

9/21 PTA Coin Drive Pizza Party for Winning Classes 1:30-2:30

9/25 Chick-fil-et Spirit Night 5-8

9/27 Student Council Meeting 1:30 pm

NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

GMS

9/22 Volleyball @ West Hall 12 Noon

9/24 Volleyball vs. Apalachee/Winder @ GHS 5:00 pm

Cross Country @ Davis Middle School 5:00 pm

9/27 Football vs. Cedar Shoals @ Bobby Gruhn Field 4:30 pm

9/29 Volleyball Region @ Apalachee 12:00 Noon

GHS

9/17-21 National Hispanic Heritage Week

9/21 Pep Rally Gym

Varsity Football **Homecoming** Flowery Branch @ Bobby Gruhn Field 7:30 pm

9/22 Cross Country Winder Barrow Invitational @ Richard Russell Middle School 8:30 am

JV Volleyball @ West Hall 12:00 noon

Varsity Softball @ East Hall 3:00 pm

Homecoming Dance GHS Gym 8-11 pm

9/24 Administrative Team Meeting Principal's Conference Room 10:00 am

JV Volleyball vs. Apalachee/Winder @ Home 5:00 pm

9/25 Varsity Softball vs. Dacula @ Home 6:00 pm

Varsity Volleyball vs. Habersham Central/Lanier @ Winder-Barrow HS 6:00pm

9/26 Varsity Softball vs. Franklin County @ Home 5:55 pm

9/27 Varsity Softball @ Winder0Barrow 6:00 pm

Freshman Football @ Bobby Gruhn Field 6:00 pm

Varsity Volleyball vs. Denmark/Dawson Co. @ Dawson Co. 6:00 pm

PAES Lab Open House GHS Main Campus 6:00 pm

9/28 Varsity Football vs. Dacula @ Home 7:30 pm

9/29 Cross Country Hall County Championships @ Chestnut Mountain Elementary 8:00 am

Varsity Volleyball Hall County Tournament @ 12 Noon

JV Volleyball Region @ Apalachee 12:00 Noon

DIRECTIONS TO SCHOOLS:

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.

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.

Chestnut Mt. Elementary School- Go 985 S. to Exit 17. Keep right at fork for GR53. Turn left on Mundy Mill Road. Continue to follow Highway 53 E. Go right on Union Church Road. Destination is 4841 Union Church Road, Flowery Branch.

C.W. Davis Middle School – Go 985 S. Take Exit 17. Take ramp right for GA 53 toward Dawsonville/Oakwood. Go 1.2 miles. Turn left onto GA 53 Mundy Mill Road. Go 0.4 miles. Turn right on GA 13 S. Atlanta Highway. Go Straight. Atlanta Highway turns into Falcon Parkway. 4335 Falcon Parkway, Flowery Branch, GA

Dawson County High School : Take Highway 53 past 400. Approximately 5 1/2 miles. 2nd red light past 400. Take right onto Perimeter Road . Go to 3rd drive

Richard Russell Middle School, Winder-Go Ga. 60 S. 16.5 miles to Boone Road in Jackson Co. Continue of Boone Road to Jackson Trail Road. Go 1.9 miles. Turn right at Ridgeway Street Destination is on the right. 364 W. Candler Road, Winder.

West Hall-Go Brown's Bridge Road West to McEver Road (@ Hall County Government Offices. Turn left onto McEver Road . Go 4-5 miles. School will be on right on McEver 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

Open Enrollment time for GCSS employees is around the corner. **Dates are from October 15 till November 2, 2018.**

6th-8th Chorus Concert
October 2nd 6pm GMS CAFE
Free

GHS PAES (Practical Assessment Exploration System) Lab Open House Thursday, September 27 from 6:00-8:00 at GHS Main Campus
<http://www.talentassessment.com/assets/paesbroc.pdf>

Gainesville City Schools E-SPLOST public input sessions

When and where:

- ❖ *10 a.m. Oct. 10 at Mundy Mill Academy, Community Room, 4260 Millside Parkway
- ❖ 6 p.m. Oct. 16 at Gainesville Middle School, Cafeteria, 1581 Community Way
- ❖ 10 a.m. Oct. 24 at Fair Street Neighborhood Center, 715 Fair St.
- ❖ 6 p.m. Oct. 30 at Gainesville High School, Cafeteria, 830 Century Place

Student Spirit Night at softball will be Tuesday, October 2nd. Students wearing *WE ARE GAINESVILLE* shirts will get in FREE.

Are you passionate about education? Do you enjoy working with children or youth in the Gainesville community? Are you deeply committed to and engaged in the Gainesville community? Is social, racial, economic and educational justice important to you? If you answered yes, then the Gainesville City School System's Aspiring Teacher Program may be for you! The Gainesville City School System's Board of Education recently approved the creation of our first Aspiring Teacher Program (ATP) to train and retain teachers who are committed to teaching in high needs schools in the Gainesville community. It is designed to achieve equity, excellence, and diversity in the new teacher pipeline and the teaching force. The GCSS Aspiring Teachers Program provides financial assistance and wrap around supports to aid its candidates in completing a traditional teacher certification program that will lead to completion of associate's and bachelor's degrees. Aspiring Teachers must be current GCSS paraprofessionals, graduating high school seniors, and current college juniors or seniors admitted into the teacher education program. The program will provide financial support in exchange for a five year teaching commitment to Gainesville City Schools upon graduation from the program. For information contact priscilla.collins@gcssk12.net. <https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/how-gainesville-school-district-seeks-diversify-its-teacher-pipeline/>

The GHS Fall Sports program contains pictures and rosters from Varsity, JV and GMS Football, Spirit Cheerleading, JV Cheerleading, Competition Cheer, Fastpitch Softball, Varsity, JV and GMS Volleyball and Cross-Country. The Big Red Machine and ROTC are also featured in this year's book, not to mention ads from businesses who support BIG RED. Books cost \$5 and are available at City Park or at Volleyball and Softball games. For more information, contact Kim Davis at bigredelephantads@gmail.com.“

For the month of SEPTEMBER 2018, GCSS employees will be paid on September 28, 2018. The payroll dates are August 5 through September 8, 2018. Time sheets and leave request need to be signed/approved by September 10 2018.

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 to go on the trip and parents and staff are welcome as well. \$200 coupon code (Finelli2019) that is good until October 2 and then the price will go up.. Here is the link to the Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/GoBigRedFrench/>

Gainesville High School Athletic Director Adam Lindsey is pleased to announce that starting in 2019, the Gainesville City School System will begin honoring both individual and team athletic achievements, along with long-standing traditions, by introducing a Gainesville Athletics Hall of Fame, and inducting an inaugural class.

The designed intention of the Gainesville Athletics Hall of Fame is to further accentuate the outstanding contributions of the many gifted and dedicated athletes and teams not just from Gainesville High, but also the former E.E. Butler and Fair Street high schools, while aiding in the support and constant growth of athletics in the City of Gainesville.

Nominations to the Gainesville Athletics Hall of Fame must be submitted in writing and received by January 1. A standard form established by the Hall of Fame Committee will be used in all nominations and can be found at www.gainesvilleredephantathletics.com.

Nominations are being accepted.

Any former student who participated in at least one year of varsity competition, and graduated from a Gainesville City high school no fewer than 10 years ago, is eligible to be selected into the Hall of Fame. All athletes considered must have made significant contributions while representing their school in varsity competition.

A second category will allow for the election of an individual who has given outstanding service to athletics in Gainesville. A third category will be for individual teams that have achieved and performed at the highest level of competition.

Each inductee class will be comprised of one team, an athlete that graduated in the last 10-25 years, an athlete that graduated in the last 26-50 years, an athlete that graduated in the last 50 or more years, and an athletic supporter (i.e. coaching staff or administrative staff, media member, supporters or sponsors, volunteers, etc.).

The inaugural class, however, will hold eight inductees (two from each category listed above except for team and athletic supporter), with five members being inducted in each class that follows. Each inductee's likeness will be immortalized on a plaque permanently displayed at Gainesville High School. Further efforts will be made to include additional memorabilia belonging to the members of the Hall of Fame.

A committee comprised of eight members will govern the Hall of Fame and be responsible for the selection of inductees. The Gainesville City School System Superintendent, Athletic Director, and Gainesville Athletic Club President will be permanent fixtures on the Hall of Fame committee, with the other five members serving three-year terms. The first committee includes:

GCSS Superintendent Dr. Jeremy Williams

GHS Athletic Director Adam Lindsey

GAC President Kris Nordholz

GHS faculty representatives Wayne Vickery & Katie B. Davis

GHS alumni appointees Jerome Yarborough & Wesley Martin

GHS coaching staff member Kendall Gruhn.

For more information on the Gainesville Athletics Hall of Fame, including by-laws and nomination information log on to the Gainesville City School's athletic website:

www.gainesvilleredephantathletics.com. Under the "MORE" tab

LAST WEEK'S SPORTS RESULTS

Cross Country

JV Boys 1st out of 17

JV Girls 2nd out of 14

MS Boys Finished 1st

MS Girls Finished 2nd

Volleyball

Varsity Beat Dacula 2-0 (25-15, 25-17)

JV Beat Lanier 2-0 (25-9, 25-20)

MS A-Team Beat Lanier Christian 2-0 B-Team Beat Hart Co. 20 & Lanier Christian 2-0

Competition Cheerleading

Varsity Team Finished 2nd at Their Second Competition of the Year

Softball

Big Red Softball Beats Chestatee 4-3

Alani Mydell had 2 Homeruns Against Lanier.

Football

JV Football Beat Habersham 34-6.

Deondre Reed Had 4 Interceptions