

GAINESVILLE CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM

Have You "Herd"?



Soar Through Summer Camp at GMS



Gainesville Middle School will be offering Summer Camp to rising 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students beginning June 12th through June 27th. The free camp will feature project-based learning activities to build skills, organization, academic success, and responsibility. Students will have the opportunity to attend one of three camp sessions from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. daily. Lunch and transportation will be provided. Registration for the camp has currently ended. Parents who have already registered will receive notification from the school regarding their child's assigned camp session and transportation information.

GCSS Summer Leadership Summit



GAINESVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

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Important Dates

June 5

BOE Work Session

June 19

BOE Meeting

June 5-29

Summer Meals Program @
Fair Street & GMS



The third annual Gainesville City School System Summer Leadership Summit will be held June 5-7, 2017, at Brenau University's Downtown Center (301 Main Street, SW), where approximately 150 educators will participate in professional learning activities by national experts in the fields of educational leadership development, school culture/climate, and school improvement. Additionally, Cohort II of Gainesville's Aspiring Leaders Academy will present their capstone projects following a year of learning and practicing the GCSS Leadership Essentials and Priorities, as facilitated through rigorous performance-based modules.

On June 7th, all participants will meet at the Gainesville High School Ninth Grade Center to focus on school improvement planning for the 2017-2018 school year. Following the school improvement planning sessions, the district's annual Comprehensive LEA Improvement Plan (CLIP) meeting will be held at 3:00 p.m. in the Ninth Grade Center cafeteria.

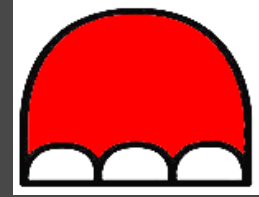
Sizzling Summer Programs at GCSS



Although school is officially out, there are several great summer programs occurring at some of our schools within the district.

Gainesville High School will be hosting Summer School for GHS students at Gainesville Middle School on June 6th - June 30th from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Students will have an opportunity to recover one credit for any core subject.

Upcoming Events



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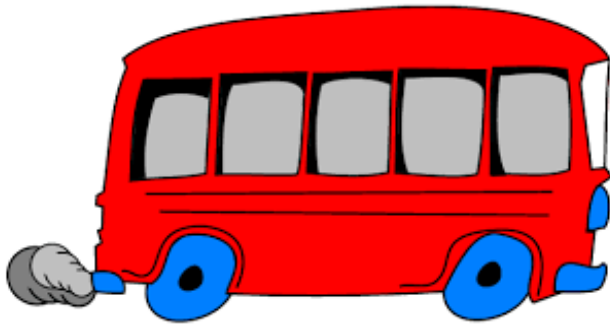
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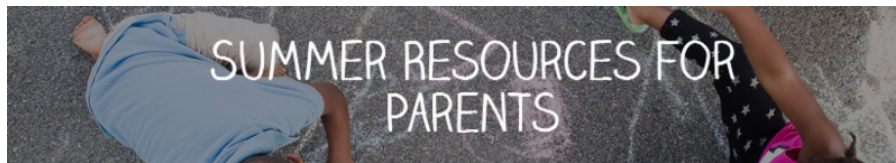
The district will offer a Migrant summer program for migratory students in grade levels PreK through 5 at Fair Street International Academy. The program enables migrant students to remain on track in their academics. In addition, an ESOL summer program for rising 6th grade and rising 9th grade English learners will be provided at Gainesville Middle School. This program prepares students for their transition to a new school and grade level while continuing to increase their English language skills. Both programs will be offered June 5th - June 29th.

As part of the district's mission to collaborate with local community organizations, GCSS has partnered with the Gainesville Housing Authority (GHA) in providing educational opportunities for students during the summer months. GHA's RISE Summer program will "rise up" again this summer at Fair Street International Academy beginning June 5th through July 14th. This program offers fun, interactive learning activities to students in alignment with their grade level curriculum to reduce learning loss over the summer.

Book Trunk Ready To Hit The Road



The GCSS Book Trunk will be rolling out again this summer on Tuesdays and Thursdays from June 8th through July 20th. GCSS students will have the opportunity to check out books through the traveling book mobile at designated locations around the Gainesville community. The Book Trunk will be visiting programs at Fair Street International Academy and the Boys and Girls Club as well as at local neighborhoods such as Lenox, Linwood, and Ridgecrest. The district is excited to offer this opportunity for students to read their favorite books during their summer vacation.



During the months of June and July, most children look forward to

Vision

Our students will think critically, act compassionately, work meaningfully, choose wisely, and live joyfully.

Mission

As *ONE GAINESVILLE*, we will *INSPIRE, NURTURE, CHALLENGE & PREPARE* our students

Our Schools

Gainesville High

Gainesville Middle

Centennial Arts Academy

Enota MI Academy

Fair Street International Academy

Gainesville Exploration Academy

New Holland Knowledge Academy

Mundy Mill Academy

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lounging around and watching TV all day. However, parents prefer for their children to remain active mentally and physically during the summer months. There are resources available for parents to plan educational (and fun) activities for their children. Parents can click [here](#) or visit GeorgiaSummer.org to access an online toolkit with resources for reading, learning, nutrition, and safety.

Get Georgia Reading through MyON is another online resource for parents to utilize to get children reading throughout the summer. Children can read by downloading free books to a home computer or mobile devices. Thousands of books are available, and can be downloaded now through August 31st. To access this resource, please click [here](#) or go to <http://about.myon.com/GetGARReading>.

Free Meals Available During Summer



Gainesville City School Nutrition will be serving Summer Meals starting June 5th - June 29th, Monday through Thursday. Meals are free to children 18 years and younger. All children are invited to take advantage of this opportunity for a free breakfast and lunch at Fair Street International Academy or Gainesville Middle School cafeterias.

The meal program is also available for day cares and churches. Times vary at each location, so please visit the School Nutrition web page for more details at www.gcssk12.net or click [here](#). Adult meals are also available onsite at a cost of \$1.50 for breakfast and \$2.75 for lunch. For additional information, please contact Penny Fowler at 770-536-5275 or via email at penny.fowler@gcssk12.net.

Support Our REACH Scholarship Program



2016 REACH Georgia Scholars

Gainesville City School System encourages the community to support our REACH Georgia Scholars program by making a financial contribution to provide an opportunity for select GCSS students to pursue a college education. REACH Georgia is a needs-based scholarship program that pairs middle school students (Scholars) with mentors, coaches and additional resources to prepare them for college and careers. REACH Scholars who successfully complete the program and graduate from high school earn a \$10,000 scholarship paid over four years at a Georgia college or technical college of their choice. 100% of all donations collected will contribute toward REACH scholarships. To download a pledge form, please click [here](#). For additional information regarding the REACH program, please click [here](#).

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#RoadtoGraduation**





- **Gainesville City School System - @GCSSK12**
- **Centennial - @GCSS_CAA**
- **Enota - @enotamiacademy**
- **Fair Street - @GCSS_FS**
- **Gainesville Exploration - @GCSS_GEA**
- **New Holland - @GCSS_NH**
- **Gainesville Middle School - @GCSS_GMS**
- **Gainesville High School - @GCSS_GHS**

GCSS Mobile App
GCSS is proud to announce its very own mobile app!

GCSS is now live!

Here are some amazing features to look forward to and things you can do with the GCSS app:

Notifications	Calendar
<p>Make sure you select "Yes" to receive Push Notifications so you can receive all breaking school news. These notifications will be used to provide information on early/late start and school closings.</p>	<p>The school wide calendar of events and athletic events at the tip of your finger! Add the events that you are interested in to your native phone calendar so you never miss them!</p>

Download the GCSS Mobile App through **App Store**, **Google Play**, or **Window Store** to access the latest information while on the go! Features such as Calendar of Events, Directions, Faculty and Staff Directory, Emergency and District Alerts, Helpful Links, and Current News can be accessed through our mobile application. **"Go Mobile"** with GCSS!