



ELEPHANT TRACKS

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS

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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

- 10/1-31 United Way Campaign
- 10/15-11/2 Open Enrollment for Insurance
- 10/26 Cabinet Meeting SBO Board Room 8:30-12
Food Service "Kickin" Kale Try Day During Lunches @ Fair Street
- 10/29- 11/2 Jean Week for United Way Contribution
- 10/30 Wraparound #2 Academic & Career Development SBO Board Room 8:30-11:30
ESPLOST Question Session @ GHS 6:00 pm
- 10/31 Pay Day for Employees
End of United Way Campaign
- 11/1 Open Enrollment Help for Transportation & Maintenance SBO Board Room 12:30-2
- 11/2 End of Open Enrollment
- 11/5 School Board Work Session & Regular Meeting SBO Board Room 6:00 pm

CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY

- 10/29 - 11/2 - United Way Jeans Week for staff
- 10/30 - Faculty Meeting
- 10/30 Sunshine Event
- 10/31 Family Day
 - Elachee Visits Grade 2
 - PLC w/Administration
 - Italian Ice

ENOTA ELEMENTARY

- 10/29 - 11/2 - United Way Jeans Week for Staff

FAIR STREET

- 10/26 Food Service "Kickin" Kale Try Day During Lunches
- 10/29 - 11/2 - United Way Jeans Week for Staff
- 10/29 Universal Screener Window Open
- 10/31 Literacy PLC

GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY

- 10/29 - 11/2 - United Way Jeans Week for Staff
- 10/30 & 31 2nd Grade Field Trips (1/2 of grade each day)
- 10/30 - Faculty Meeting
- 10/31 GEA Annual Faculty Costume Contest 7:30-Noon
- 11/1-13 Doughnut Sale
- 11/1 3rd Grade Field Trip to Consolidated Gold Mine
- 11/2 PBL (Project Based Learning)

MUNDY MILL

10/26 Awards Assembly Grade 3-5 8:15-9:15 Grades K-2 9:15-10:15
K-2 Club Day 1:15-2:30

10/29 - 11/2 - United Way Jeans Week for Staff

10/30 Faculty Meeting 2:55-4:15

10/31 Students & Staff Can Dress Up-NO MASKS

11/1 Sticker Your Teacher for United Way 8-9

P.T.A. Meeting 6:00

11/2 - Careers on Wheels event for students

NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

10/29 - 11/2 - United Way Jeans Week for Staff

GMS

10/3-26 Chorus Sock Fundraiser

10/29 - 11/2 - United Way Jeans Week for Staff

11/1 6th Grade Band Concert GMS Gym 6:30 pm

GHS

10/26 Varsity Football @ Apalachee 7:30 pm

10/27 College Fair 9-12 Noon (See Info Below)

10/29 - 11/2 - United Way Jeans Week for Staff

10/29 Administrative Team Meeting Principal's Conference Room 10:00

10/30 Varsity Volleyball Final Four

ESPLOST Question Session @ GHS 6:00 pm

11/2 & 3 State Cross Country @ Carrollton

11/2 Varsity Football @ Lanier 7:00 pm

11/3 Varsity Volleyball State Championships

SAT 3rd Floor 8:00 am

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.

Carrollton High School - Go I-985 S. to I-85 S. Go through Atlanta and take I-20 East (to Birmingham). Take exit 24 toward Carrollton/Villa Rica. Turn left onto GA-101 S/GA61 S. Continue to follow GA-61 for 8.7 miles. GA--61 S. becomes Bankhead Highway-GA-166 W. Go 2.8 miles. Turn slight left. Turn slight left onto GA-166-W. Go 3.3 miles and take the US 27/GA-16 toward Carrollton/ Lagrange. Go .3 miles and turn right onto S. Park Street/ US-27. Go .8 miles and turn left onto Trojan Drive. 202 Trojan Drive, Carrollton. 105 .95 miles--2 hours driving time.

Lanier High School- Go 985 S. to exit 4. Turn right on Highway 20. Go 1.3 miles. Turn left on Buford Hwy. US 23. Go 1.4 miles. 918 Buford Highway, Sugar Hill, GA will be on your right.

Gainesville Middle School 6th Grade Band Premier Concert
Thursday November 1st at 6:30pm in the GMS Gym.

The deadline for senior ads for the GHS yearbook the Trumpeter is November 9th. These MUST be done online at BigRedYearbook.com

Thursday, November 8th, 9 am - 5:30 pm 5th Grade Honor Chorus
Pierce Auditorium
Brenau University
5 pm free Concert

The next production of the GHS Theatre Department will be *Spitfire Grill*. on November 13-15 at 7:00 pm. in the Pam Ware Performing Arts Center. *After 5 years in prison, Percy Talbot launches her life in the small town of Gilead. She lands a job at the only restaurant Spitfire Grill. Its owner Hannah and her secrets held for years cause intrigue and mystery in this inspiring musical. A beautiful story with warmth, humor and heartfelt surprises. It will enchant the entire family..*

Gainesville High School will be hosting a College Fair featuring Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) on Saturday, October 27 from 9 am - 12 noon Students and parents will have the opportunity to talk to college representatives as well as receive information about financial assistance and scholarship opportunities. The college fair is open to all Gainesville and Hall County students.

For the month of OCTOBER 2018, payroll will be on October 31, 2018 in time to buy your Halloween candy. The payroll dates are September 9 through October 6, 2018.

The GMS Chorus will be selling socks as a fundraiser from Oct 3rd- Oct 26th. \$16 a pair all sizes. They will have the GHS logo . For additional information, e-mail dory.moore@gcssk12.net.

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

The GCSS United Way campaign begins on October 1st through October 31st. Donations in any amount are welcome. **A district-wide JEAN WEEK is designated during the week of October 29th - November 2nd for employees who contribute \$24 or more.** Jean Week passes will be distributed by your school's (or department's) United Way coordinators **Also, this year, candy bars will be given to all employees who donate. (We ask that you contribute at least \$1 per pay period or a one-time payment of \$12 to help us achieve our goal.) Employees are also encouraged to donate 10% more than you donated last year to be a part of United Way's 10% Giving Club.**

Gainesville City School System will host ESPLOST Listening Sessions for the public. District personnel will discuss previous projects and the district's financial responsibility and will answer questions related to overcrowding and the future growth of the school district. Feedback from the community will help guide the future of our school system. Parents and guardians are invited to attend a session located in your school cluster on:

October 30, 2018 - Gainesville High School (830 Century Place,) 6:00 p.m

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. 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.gainesvilleredelephantathletics.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:

GCCS 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

Congratulations to GHS One-Act who were Region Runner-up at the Region One Act Competition.

Please help us CONGRATULATE Doris Toledo and Kingsley Owusu! They are two of the 6,507 Finalists from 16, 248 selected applicants.. Finalists exhibit high academic achievement and qualify financially

The Miss GHS Pageant was held on Tuesday night, Oct. 23 in the Pam Ware Performing Arts Center. Thirteen beautiful, talented young ladies competed for the title. They were Lexie Rihemond, Kylee Peacock, Vvivian Robinson, Trinity Seegars, Paloma Baron, Allison Vandiver, Sadie Roach, Grayson Wagner, Lauren Ware, Laura Leyonga Bobga Benkam, Catie Cook, Maelia King, and Abigail Mowbray. The results were:

Interview Winner	Grayson Wagner
Talent Winner	Abigail Mowbry
Evening Gown Winner	Sadie Roach
Miss Congeniality	Grayson Wagner
Third Runner-Up	Kylee Peacock
Second Runner-Up	Grayson Wagner
First Runner-Up	Sadie Roach
Miss GHS	Catie Cook

LAST WEEK SPORTS

Cross Country

Harrier Harvest Results

Boys Varsity and JV Teams Won 1st Place

Girls Varsity and JV Teams Took 2nd Place

Volleyball

The varsity volleyball team beat Douglas County in 3 straight sets to move into the 2nd Round of the GHSA State Playoffs vs. Allatoona

Football

The varsity team picked up a huge 20-7 win over Winder-Barrow.

The JV Team Beat Apalachee 35-0 to complete their season.

GHS Quarterback Gionni Williams is Times Player of the Week

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/player-week-gionni-williams-leads-gainesville-first-win-season/>

GHS Volleyball Wins First-Round of State

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/high-school-volleyball-gainesville-sweeps-douglas-county-open-class-6a-state-playoffs/>

GHS Football Tops Winder-Barrow 20-7

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/high-school-football-gainesville-picks-first-win-season-20-7-victory-over-winder-barrow/>

How Hall Schools Celebrate National School Lunch Week

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/how-hall-gainesville-schools-celebrated-national-school-lunch-week/>