



ELEPHANT TRACKS

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS

October 27, 2017

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

- 10/2-31 United Way Campaign
- 10/16-11/3 Employee Insurance Open Enrollment
- 10/28 Fielddale Farms Truck Load Chicken Sale Benefitting United Way 8-12 (See Below)
- 10/30 School Test Coordinators SBO Parade Room 9-12
 - STC EOC Pre-Administrative Training SBO Parade Room 1-3
- 10/31 Executive Cabinet Superintendent's Conference Room 9-12
- 11/1 RTL/MTSS Vertical Collaboration SBO Board Room 304
- 11/2 School Nutrition Meeting SBO Parade Room 8:45-12 Noon
- 11/4 Last Day of Pay Period
 - HOSA Breast Cancer Fun Run 5 K GHS Track 8:30 am (See Below)
- 11/6 Time Sheets Due to Central Office
 - School Board Work Session SBO Board Room 6:00 pm
- 11/10 Progress Reports

CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY

- 10/27 Italian Ice Day
- 10/31 PLC Meetings with Administration

ENOTA ELEMENTARY

- 10/30 Staff Meeting 3:00 pm

FAIR STREET ELEMENTARY

- 10/31 Teacher Appreciation Luncheon
- 11/1 Open Enrollment/Benefits Assistance Computer Lab 2:15-4:00
- 11/2 Eddie Nemec-Google Classroom & Instructional Technology Support-All Day
- 11/3 Eddie Nemec-Google Classroom & Instructional Technology Support-All Day

GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY

- On-Going The Kindness Rock Project
- 10/23-27 Red Ribbon Week
- 10/31 Faculty Costume Contest
- 11/1 Art Honors Class

MUNDY MILL ACADEMY

- 10/23-27 Red Ribbon Week
- 10/30-11/4 Scholastic Book Fair

NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY

- 10/23 Red Ribbon Week - Wise Choices
- 10/27 1st Grade Fall Performance - 10:00
 - Governance Council Meeting - 1:30

GMS

GHS

- 10/27 Homecoming Pep Rally New Gym 2:55 pm
Varsity Football vs. Apalachee @ Bobby Gruhn Field Homecoming 7:30
- 10/28 Cross Country Region Championship Bramblet Elementary School 8:00 am
Homecoming Dance GHS New Gym 8-11 pm
- 10/30 Balfour Grad. Announcements, Letter Jackets, Class Rings Atrium 12:54
- 11/3 Varsity Football Senior Night vs. Lanier at Bobby Gruhn Field 7:30 pm
- 11/4 Competition Cheerleading Regionals @ Dawson Co.
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Football Homecoming Spirit Week

Friday-Red Out

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

Bramblet Elementary School-Go 985 S. to Exit 17. Keep left to take GA. 53E ramp. Turn left on Ga. 53-Mundy Mill Road. Go 4.75 Miles and turn right onto GA 211. Go 5.55 miles. Turn right on Hwy. 124. Go 2.58 miles and take a sharp left onto Dee Kennedy Road. Go 3.22 miles and turn right onto Freeman Brock Road. School will be on right. 622 Freeman Brock Road, Auburn, GA 30011.

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

Gainesville Middle School will present Elf The Musical JR on November 29 and 30 at 6:30 in the GMS cafeteria. Based on the beloved holiday film, this hilarious fish-out-of-water comedy follows Buddy the Elf in his quest to find his true identity. \$5.00 admission, children under 2 free, faculty and staff free.

GEA Annual Faculty Costume Contest sponsored by The GEA Art Dept. and Cherry-O the clown will be on October 31st!! This year is Disney Themed!!

Please go to gainesvilleredephantathletics.com to vote for the SEPT Athlete of the Month .

GHS Homecoming Pep Rally is Friday, October 27th at 3:00 p.m. in the New Gym, and the Homecoming Dance is Saturday, October 28th from 8 p.m. - 11 p.m

GHS GODSPELL placed first in the region and will advance to state AAAAAA on Saturday , November 11, with a noon until 12:55 PM performance slot. All are welcome to journey to Houston County to Veterans High School if they can. Ramiro Salinas , who portrayed Jesus, was named Best Actor in Region 8 AAAAAA and Izzy Pate and Sammy Nelson were named to the All Star Region 8 AAAAAA cast. Pam Ware was director; Teresa Williams was choral director and conductor of the band, and Tyra Wimpye and Izzy Pate choreographed GODSPELL

GHS yearbooks are on sale now through bigredyearbook.com
For a limited time they are \$70 for free name or monogram and 4 free icons.

Recognizing the sacrifice many of our veterans make in service to our country, the Gainesville City School System would like to recognize veterans who were unable to receive their high school diplomas because of military service. If you or someone you know meets the requirements below, please complete the form located at <http://www.gcssk12.net/assets/diploma-request-by-veterans.pdf> and submit to the Central Office by October 1st so that recognition can be arranged during the month of November. Candidates who wish to be awarded a diploma for services rendered in a recognized branch of our Armed Services (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard) in lieu of graduation requirements in effect at the time of their assignment must be able to demonstrate proof of enrollment in the district and evidence of an honorable discharge from a branch of the Armed Services. Upon meeting requirements, the veteran will be recognized with a diploma bearing his/her name and the year of graduation corresponding to the year of anticipated graduation. The diploma will be signed by the current high school principal and current school board chairman. The diploma may be presented in a formal setting, if it is so desired by the recipient.

NOTE TO EMPLOYEES-Did you know that more than 32,000 people are living in poverty in Hall County? Please join us in our campaign to decrease the poverty rate by giving generously to United Way of Hall County. This year our school district's goal is to raise \$38,000 to help children and their families within our community who are facing poverty.

Our campaign begins on October 2nd through October 31st. Donations in any amount are welcome. **A district-wide JEAN WEEK is designated during the week of October 30th - November 3rd for employees who contribute \$24 or more.** Jean Week passes will be distributed by your school's (or department's) United Way coordinators who are listed below. **Also, this year, free United Way shirts are available for those who donate \$60 or more. (A Jean Week pass is also included with this donation amount.)**

Your gift to United Way of Hall County creates a community-driven movement that provides resources and services that help create pathways out of poverty. Programs such as The Compass Center, Life Skills Classes, and the Read Learn Succeed Pediatric Program assist our low-income families by providing services that focus on health, education, and financial stability that empower families and transform their lives & their future.

If you have any questions or wish to provide a donation, please contact your school's (or department's) campaign coordinator listed below.

Centennial Arts Academy - Katherine (Sis) Whitaker
Enota MI Academy - Merrye Watts
Fair Street International Academy - Kerry-Ann Holmes
Gainesville Exploration Academy - Havilyn Towns
Mundy Mill Academy - Amy Buffington
New Holland Knowledge Academy - Jessica Chambers
Gainesville Middle School - Kim Stephens
Gainesville High School - Leslie Dorsey
M&O and Transportation - Lynn Jones
School Board Office - Lynn Jones

The GHS HOSA Breast Cancer 5k/Fun Run. will be on 11//4//2017. @8:30 am at the GHS track. This whole event was planned by one student who took on the task by herself,. GHS FBLA and ROTC are helping and participating in this event.. Kids 10 and under are free.

This is the link for information:

<https://sites.google.com/gcssk12.net/hosa5k/home>

Fielddale Farms 1540 Monroe Drive, Gainesville, Ga. United Way Fundraiser, Saturday, Oct. 28 8-12 Truckload Sale.

Center Point will have a live auction on November 16, 2017 at the League Lodge 1547 Riverside Drive , Gainesville, GA from 6:30-9:00 pm. Everything from puppies to trips.

Miss Gainesville High School 2017 ,,,,Delaney Benson
First Runner Up.....Sadie Roach
Second Runner Up.....Catie Cook
Third Runner Up.....Izzy Pate
Miss Congeniality.....Nicolle Pierce
Formal Wear Modeling.....Catie Cook
Talent Winner.....Sadie Roach
Interview Winner.....Izzy Pate

THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball Ended Their Season On Tuesday Night In The Second Round Of The Ghsa State Playoffs Against The #4 Ranked Team In The State The Pope Greyhounds. Please Congratulate The Coaches And Athletes From This 2017 Area Championship Team

Football

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FOOTBALL

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A special congratulation to GHS cross country runner Mugisha Bienvenu for being voted the September Athlete of the Month. We received over 15,000 votes and Mugisha got over 6,000 of those votes. He will receive a Dairy Ice Cream Cake to share with his team courtesy of the Green St DQ.

GHS Quarterback Tre' Luttrell The Times Player of the Week

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/football-player-week-gainesville-quarterback-tre-luttrell/>

GHS Rock Celebrates 50 Years

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/rock-iconic-gainesville-high-symbol-celebrates-50th-year/>

GHS Rock Party to Rock

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/spirit-history-set-granite-gainesville-highs-iconic-rock-gets-50th-commemoration/>

GHS Football Upsets #8 Winder-Barrow

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/high-school-scoreboard-gainesville-upsets-no-8-winder-barrow-38-16/>

GMS Interim Principal Predicts Easy Transition

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/gainesville-middle-interim-principal-predicts-easy-transition/>