



# ELEPHANT TRACKS

*CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS*

October 5, 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](http://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](mailto:beverly.nordholz@gcssk12.net).

### **ALL SCHOOLS**

- 10/5 Cabinet Meeting Superintendent's Conference Room 8:30-12
- 10/6 Last Day of Pay Period
- 10/8 Columbus Day Holiday No School for Faculty/Staff/Student
- 10/9 Time Sheets Due to Central Office
  - Teacher Work Day No School for Students
  - O.W.L.S. New Curriculum Training SBO Board Room 8-12 noon
  - ServSafe Exam Proctoring SBO Parade Room 1:30-4:00 pm
- 10/10 E-SPLOST Public Input Session @ Mundy Mill Academy 10:00 am
- 10/11 End of First Grading Period
  - M & O Meeting SBO Board Room 11-1 pm
- 10/12 School Nutrition Meeting SBO Parade Room 8:45-11:00 am
- 10/15-11/2 Open Enrollment for Insurance
- 10/15 School Board Regular Meeting @ Public Safety Complex 6:00 pm

### **CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY**

- 10/8 Columbus Day Holiday No School for Faculty/Staff/Student
- 10/9 Teacher Work Day No School for Students
- 10/10 Walk to School Day
  - PLC w/Administration
  - Leadership 3:00 pm
- 10/11 End of First Grading Period
  - Skate Country Centennial Night 6:00 pm
- 10/12 Fall Festival 5:30 pm

### **ENOTA ELEMENTARY**

- 10/8 Columbus Day Holiday No School for Faculty/Staff/Student
- 10/9 Teacher Work Day No School for Students
- 10/11/18 - End of First Grading Period

### **FAIR STREET**

- 10/8 Columbus Day Holiday No School for Faculty/Staff/Student
- 10/9 Teacher Work Day No School for Students
- 10/11/18 - End of First Grading Period

### **GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY**

- 10/11 Thursday -Fourth Grade Field Trip to Elachee Thursday –
  - Parent Camp - Reading grades 3-5 6-7PM
- 10/12 Bruster's

## **MUNDY MILL**

- 10/5 Pre-K Cultural Celebration
- 10/8 Columbus Day Holiday No School for Faculty/Staff/Student
- 10/9 Teacher Work Day No School for Students
  - Faculty Meeting 8:15 am
  - Crisis Communication for PARAS 1-4 pm
- 10/10 E-SPLOST Public Input Session @ Mundy Mill Academy 10:00 am
- 10/11/18 - End of First Grading Period
- 10/12 Fire Prevention Activities
  - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade In-School Field Trip Community Room 9-12
  - Soccer Kick for United Way 1:30-2:30 pm

## **NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

- 10/1-5 Book Fair
- 10/5 PBIS Awards Day
- 10/8 Columbus Day Holiday No School for Faculty/Staff/Student
- 10/9 Teacher Work Day No School for Students
- 10/12 Kindergarten Spanish Heritage Day

## **GMS**

- 10/3- 26 Chorus Sock Fundraiser (See Below)
- 10/8 Columbus Day Holiday No School for Faculty/Staff/Student
- 10/9 Teacher Work Day No School for Students
- 10/11 Football vs. Jefferson @Home 4:30 pm

## **GHS**

- 10/5 Big Red Cup Golf Tournament @ Chattahoochee Golf Club
  - Football @ Habersham Central 7:30 pm
- 10/6 Varsity Competitive Cheerleading @ Buford
- 10/8 Columbus Day Holiday No School for Faculty/Staff/Student
- 10/9 Teacher Work Day No School for Students
- 10/11 Region Volleyball @ Home 12:00 Noon
  - JV Football vs. Flowery Branch @ Home 6:00 pm
- 10/13 Region Volleyball @ Home 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](mailto:beverly.n3ordholz@gcssk12.net) so corrections can be made.*

**Buford High School**-I-985 South to Exit 8. Turn right at the end of ramp. After turning right, go to the third traffic light, and turn left onto Buford Highway . Just before Buford Highway turns into a four lane, turn right onto Sawnee Ave. - should be a sign saying Buford High School . School is up the hill (about 1/4 mile) on the right. 2750 Sawnee Ave.

**Chattahoochee Golf Course**-Go Highway 60 ( Thompson Bridge Road ) across the first bridge. Go to the second light (just before you get to Ingles Shopping Center ). Turn left. Clubhouse will be on left

**Habersham Central High School**-Go north on I-985. It will become Ga. 365. Continue north until you come to the Clarkesville/Mt Airy exit (Hwy. 197) which is just past mile marker #49. Exit there and at the end of the exit ramp, turn right. Habersham Central is 0.3 miles on the right.

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. Time sheets and leave request need to be signed/approved by October 9, 2018. since October 8 is a holiday.

The GMS Chorus will be selling socks as a fundraiser Sale 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](mailto:dory.moore@gcssk12.net).

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.**

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

### **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

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](mailto:bigredelephantads@gmail.com).

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](http://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.gainesvilleredelephantathletics.com](http://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:

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](http://www.gainesvilleredephantathletics.com). Under the "MORE" tab

Gainesville NJROTC recently competed at the Stockbridge HS NJROTC Drill Competition this past Saturday. Our team performed above and beyond expectations and received the following awards and accolades:

1st OVERALL for PERSONNEL INSPECTION (one of the hardest to get)

Alonso Cortez - 1st in Male Sit-ups (291 completed)

Dylan Pineda - 1st in Male Push-ups (114 completed)

1st in ARMED EXHIBITION

2nd OVERALL for Push-Ups (Team Award)

3rd OVERALL for Sit-ups (Team Award)

## **LAST WEEK'S SPORTS RESULTS**

### Cross Country

Hall County Meet Results:

Varsity Boys-2<sup>nd</sup>- Place    Miguel Lopez 4<sup>th</sup> Overall

Varsity Girls- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place      Ashley Thompson 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall  
JV Boys- 1<sup>st</sup> Place              Jose Garcia 1<sup>st</sup> Overall  
JV Girls- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place              Jada Robertson 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall  
GMS Results- Boys Finished 1<sup>st</sup> and Girls Finished 5<sup>th</sup>  
GMS Boys in Top Ten John Jessup (1<sup>st</sup>) Preston Leeuwenburg (3<sup>rd</sup>) Marcos Moreno-Wren (4<sup>th</sup>)  
David Islas (10<sup>th</sup>) For the Girls: Ami Silva (8<sup>th</sup>)

### Volleyball

Varsity Finished Second in the Hall Co. Tournament Beating West Hall, Flowery Branch, Johnson, and Lanier Christian.

Varsity also Beat Lanier 2-1, Habersham 2-1, Dawson Co. 3-1

JV Beat Apalachee 2-1

MS A Team Beat East Jackson 2-0

### Football

GMS Beat Cedar Shoals 12-8

*Gainesville School Officials Will Propose Another SPLOST School Tax*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/gainesville-school-officials-will-propose-another-education-sales-tax-here-are-6-things-they-want-know-first/>

*GHS Majorette Anna Mitchell Ralston to Compete in International Twirling Competition in France*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/life/gainesville-girl-twirling-her-way-france/>

*GHS Grad William Morris Finishes Successful Career at Harvard*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/opinion/will-morris-split-between-3-worlds-always-tied-home/>

*GHS Football Struggles With Powerful Dacula*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/high-school-football-gainesville-struggles-slow-high-powered-dacula-region-8-6a-opener/>

*Gainesville High's New Paes Lab Prepares Special-education Students For Career Success*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/gainesville-highs-new-paes-lab-prepares-special-education-students-for-career-success/>

*GHS Theatre Does Award Winning Broadway Play Newsies*

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/get-out/new-york-city-1899-comes-alive-newsies/>