



# ELEPHANT TRACKS

*CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS*

October 7, 2016

**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.gcस्क12.net](http://www.gcस्क12.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@gcस्क12.net](mailto:beverly.nordholz@gcस्क12.net).

### **ALL SCHOOLS**

- 9/15-10/31 United Way Campaign
- 10/7 Teacher Planning Day-No School for Students
- 10/8 End of Pay Period
- 10/10-11 Fall Break –No School for Students, Faculty, Staff
- 10/12 Time Sheets Due
  - Registrars Meeting
  - Statewide Fire Drill 10:00 am
  - Called School Board Meeting SBO Board Room 12:00 Noon
- Reading Inventory Fall Review 1:30-3
- 10/13 Review Educators Handbook SBO Board Room 9-10
  - Registrars SBO Board Room 10:15-11:30
  - Nutrition Meeting Parade Room 9-1
  - Aspiring Leaders Academy 1-4
- 10/14 MIT Class 3 SBO Parade Room 8:45-10:30
  - School Nutrition SBO Board Room 9-1
- 10/17-11/4 Insurance Open Enrollment for Faculty/Staff
- 10/17 School Board Meeting Public Safety Complex 6:00 pm

### **CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY**

- 10/7 Teacher Planning Day
- 10/10-11 Fall Break –No School for Students, Faculty, Staff
- 10/12 Statewide Fire Drill 10:00 am
  - GKIDS Data Check
- 10/13 Grade Level PLCs
  - Visit From Sam’s Club during Lunch
  - Uncle Maddio’s Spirit Night
  - Health Dept. to Check Kindergarden Records
- 10/14 PBIS Reward

### **ENOTA ELEMENTARY**

- 10/7 Teacher Planning Day
- 10/10-11 Fall Break –No School for Students, Faculty, Staff
- 10/12 Statewide Fire Drill 10:00 am

### **FAIR STREET ELEMENTARY**

- 10/7 Teacher Planning Day
- 10/10-11 Fall Break –No School for Students, Faculty, Staff
- 10/12 GKIDS Data Check thru 10/19
  - Statewide Fire Drill 10:00 am
- 10/13 Ronald McDonald Program in Gym 1:00

### **GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY**

10/7 Teacher Planning Day

10/10-11 Fall Break –No School for Students, Faculty, Staff

10/12 Statewide Fire Drill 10:00 am

GANS Meeting

### **NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY**

10/3 -7 United Way Jeans Week for \$25 Donation

Celebrate Georgia's Pre-K Week 9:00 am Daily

10/7 Teacher Planning Day

10/10-11 Fall Break –No School for Students, Faculty, Staff

10/12 Statewide Fire Drill 10:00 am

PLC Grades K,1, 2 during Planning

10/13 PLC Grades 3, 4, 5 during Planning

### **GMS**

10/7 Teacher Planning Day

10/10-11 Fall Break –No School for Students, Faculty, Staff

10/12 Parents Providing Lunch for Teachers

Statewide Fire Drill 10:00 am

10/13 Sam's Club Representative Meets W/Teachers @ Lunch

Grades Posted

Football @ Jefferson 5:30 pm

10/14 Band Pictures

Yearbook Fundraiser Ends

School Fundraiser Begins

Book Fair Begins

### **GHS**

10/7 Teacher Planning Day

Football @ Habersham 7:30 pm

10/8 Volleyball Region Tournament

10/10-11 Fall Break –No School for Students, Faculty, Staff

10/12 Statewide Fire Drill 10:00 am

10/13 Football 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Playoffs

Chorus Fall Concert Pam Ware PAC 7-9

10/14 Varsity Football vs. Dacula @ Bobby Gruhn Field 7:30 pm

10/15 One Act Region Competition @ GHS

*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](mailto:beverly.n3ordholz@gcssk12.net) so corrections can be made.*

**Jefferson High School**-Take US-129 South towards Jefferson . After you cross over I-85 continue on US-129. Go until you see a Kroger on the right-hand side of the road. Turn left at that light onto Old Pendergrass Road. Go to dead-end and school will be in front of you.

The Gainesville/Dacula Football Game on Oct. 14 will be a Pink-Out in remembrance and for those fighting breast cancer. The GHS school store is selling pink tee shirts. Proceeds will go to breast cancer research. Here is a link for more info or to order:  
[steven.cornett@gcssk12.net](mailto:steven.cornett@gcssk12.net).

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 September 15th through October 31st. Donations in any amount are welcome. **A district-wide JEAN WEEK is designated during the week of October 3 - 7 for employees who contribute \$25 or more.** Jean Week passes will be distributed by your school's (or department's) United Way coordinators who are listed below.

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 - Angel Cheek

Gainesville Exploration Academy - Amy Buffington

New Holland Knowledge Academy - Jessica Chambers

Gainesville Middle School - Kim Stephens

Gainesville High School - Leslie Dorsey

M&O and Transportation - Vicky Medina

School Board Office - Lynn Jones

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of our children and their families!

**As ONE Community, we have ONE Goal...to fight poverty**

Open Enrollment for faculty/staff will run from October 17 until November 4, 2016 for the 2017 plan year.

GHS yearbooks are \$65 for a short time - please visit [bigredyearbook.com](http://bigredyearbook.com) to place your order ASAP.

Quinlan Art Center is having a Fall exhibition featuring the Georgia Art Educators Association. Three of Ms. Tandy Ray's art pieces were chosen to be in this prestigious show of art teachers' work from around the state. The show will run through the 17th of October and is free.

The Gainesville Athletic Club 's golf tournament will be on Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. at the Chattahoochee Golf Course . For more information contact: [whudson@mcgaritys.com](mailto:whudson@mcgaritys.com)

Our Neighbor, Inc. and Next Chapter Bookstore will have a Giant Book Sale October 6-9 in the old Frames Unique Building, 104 Main Street on the Square. 10,000 + books categorized by subject. Everything but collectibles are \$5.00 & under.

October 6	Preview Sale \$5.00 admission 5:30-8:00 pm
October 7 & 8	Regular Sale No Fee 10-7
October 9	Regular Sale No Fee Noon-5

Western Carolina senior defensive back and GHS grad [Fred Payne](#) was named a semifinalist for the 2016 William V. Campbell Trophy presented by Fidelity Investments and announced by the National Football Foundation and the College Hall of Fame.

The annual award recognizes an individual as the absolute best football scholar-athlete in the nation and is prominently displayed inside its official home at the New York Athletic Club. <http://m.catamountsports.com/m/sports/m-footbl/spec-rel/092816aaa.html>

The Gainesville High School Math Team won a second place overall in Mathematics competition at UNG. The competition had individual quizzes, group problem solving, math games and ciphering sections in it. It was a very close race between first and second place.

Pratyusha Karnati

Anna Diaz

Vraj Patel

Michelle Razo

Umer Khan

Spencer Sumner

Guillermo Beltran

*New Track in the Works for GHS*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/6/article/119460>

*GHS Volleyball Wins Tri-Match*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/28/article/119469/>

*No One Injured in School Bus Wreck*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/6/article/119458/>

*Two Options Open for New Enota Project*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/6/article/119449/>

*Deshaun and Clemson Moving Past Louisville Win*

<http://collegefootball.ap.org/gainesvilletimes/node/508593>

*Parent Forums Spark Middle School Changes*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/6/article/119416/>

*GHS Grad Deshaun Watson has 397 Total Yards and Five Touchdowns in Clemson's 42-36 Win Over Louisville*

<http://collegefootball.ap.org/gainesvilletimes/node/508587>

*Gainesville Football Almost Moved from City Park*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/164/article/119425>

*Tradition Plays a Big Role For GHS Band*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/6/article/119364/>

*Football Previews Week 7*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/196/article/119380>

*Enota Plans 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk to School Day*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/6/article/119351/>