



ELEPHANT TRACKS

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS

February 9, 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.

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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

- 2/5-9 National School Counselor's Week
- 2/9 GCSS Spelling Bee at GMS
- 2/13 Technology Dept Meeting SBO Board Room 9-10
Fingerprinting SBO Parade Room 10-11
- 2/15 Department Meeting SBO Board Room 9-11
District Parent Coordinator's Meeting SBO Parade Room 9-11
Academic Coaches Meeting SBO Board Room
- 2/16 Bookkeepers' Meeting SBO Parade Room 9-12
- 2/19-22 Winter Break
- 2/23 Teacher Work Day-No School for Students
- 2/26 Choice Enrollment Forms Go Home
- 2/26-3/9 Kindergarten Enrollment @ Each School for 2018-19 School Year
Pre-K Lottery Sign-up at Central Office Registration Center
- 3/8 Pre-K Lottery Drawing
- 3/9 Choice Enrollment Forms Due

CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY

- 2/1-9 Grade 5 Candy Gram
- 2/5-9 National School Counselor's Week
- 2/9 JumpRope for Heart Celebration During Activity
Grade Level Entries for Young Authors Competition Due
GCSS Spelling Bee at GMS
- 2/13 Grade Level Meeting
Candy Gram Delivery
- 2/14 PLC Meetings with Administration
Leadership Team Meeting 3:00
- 2/15 PTA Talent Show 6:00 pm
- 2/19-22 Winter Break
- 2/23 Teacher Work Day-No School for Students

ENOTA ELEMENTARY

- 2/5-9 National School Counselor's Week
- 2/9 GCSS Spelling Bee at GMS
- 2/19-22 Winter Break
- 2/23 Teacher Work Day-No School for Students

FAIR STREET ELEMENTARY

- 2/5-9 National School Counselor's Week
- 2/9 GCSS Spelling Bee at GMS
- 2/13 Severe Weather Drill 9:00
SIP Meeting

2/19-22 Winter Break
2/23 Teacher Work Day-No School for Students

GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY

2/5-9 National School Counselor's Week
2/9 GCSS Spelling Bee at GMS
2/14 GAN Meeting During Planning
Art Honor Society Meeting
2/19-22 Winter Break
2/23 Teacher Work Day-No School for Students

MUNDY MILL ACADEMY

2/5-9 National School Counselor's Week
Scholastic Book Fair
2/9 GCSS Spelling Bee at GMS
2/13 Career Day
Valentine's Family Dance 5:30-7:00
2/14 School Governance Council 12-1
2/15 Student Council Meeting 1:30 pm
2/19-22 Winter Break
2/23 Teacher Work Day-No School for Students

NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY

2/5-9 National School Counselor's Week
2/9 GCSS Spelling Bee at GMS
2/19-22 Winter Break
2/23 Teacher Work Day-No School for Students

GMS

2/5-9 National School Counselor's Week
2/15 Track @ Riverside Academy
2/19-22 Winter Break
2/23 Teacher Work Day-No School for Students

GHS

2/5-9 National School Counselor's Week
2/9-11 Varsity Wrestling State Tournament @ Macon
2/9 Region Basketball Tournament Semi-Finals @ Dacula
Varsity Baseball vs. King's Ridge @ Ivey-Watson 5:55 pm
2/10 Region Basketball Tournament Finals @ Dacula
Baseball Picture Day @ Ivey-Watson 9:00 am
Track Fleet Feet Distance Kick-Off Oconee County High School

2/12 JV Soccer East Hall @ Home Girls 5:00 pm Boys 6:30 pm
2/13 Boys & Girls Varsity Tennis @ Home 4:00 pm
Varsity Soccer @ Oconee Co. HS Girls 5:30 Boys 7:30 pm
2/15 JV Soccer @ Lakeview Girls 5:00 Boys 6:30 pm
Boys Lacrosse @ North Oconee High School 6:00 pm
Girls Lacrosse @ Buford 5:30 pm
2/16 & 17 Varsity Basketball 1st Round of State
2/16 Varsity Soccer vs. Dawson Co. HS @ Home Girls 5:30 pm Boys 7:30 pm
2/17 Baseball 100 Inning Game @ Home
2/19-22 Winter Break
2/23 Teacher Work Day-No School for Students

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.

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.

Dacula High School- 316 East. Left on Highway 8. Go to the next traffic light. Turn left on Broad Street . Cross RR tracks and turn left on Hebron Church Road . School is on the right.

Lakeview Academy - Go 129 N. (Green Street). When the road forks at the Civic Center, go right staying on 129 N. Take the first right past the CVS Pharmacy at Enota and 129 N (Cleveland Highway at that point). School will be approximately 1/2 mile on left. 796 Lakeview Drive, Gainesville, GA

Macon Centreplex Coliseum and Convention Center-Go I-985 to I-85 to I-75 in Atlanta From Atlanta : I-75 South to I-16 East, Exit 2. Turn left onto Coliseum Drive/US 80. Turn left onto Main Street. 200 Coliseum Drive.

North Oconee High School – Go Pearl Nix Parkway. Turn right onto Atlanta Highway, GA-13. Go 4.8 miles and turn left onto GA-53. Go 4.3 miles and turn right onto Old Winder Hwy./GA211. Go 14.2 miles. Turn right onto Horton Street. Then turn left onto W. May St/US29/Lawrenceville-Athens Highway. Go 3 miles. Turn right onto US 29/GA53/ GA8/ Hog Mountain Road. Go 11.9 miles and turn left onto Rocky Branch Road and turn left. **1081 Rocky Branch Road** is on left.

Oconee County High School-Go 985 S. to Exit 16. Go left on Winder Highway (Hwy. 53). Go east on Hwy 53 through Winder. Past Winder, take a right at the golf course. Go approximately 20 miles from Winder. You will cross over Hwy. 316. The High School is on the right (this is still Hwy 53) about 12 miles after you cross Hwy. 316. Soccer field is at the Middle School. From the High School, take a left at the first light (an Eckerd's is on the corner). The field is on the left.

Riverside Military Academy-Go Green Street (Highway 60/129 North). When road forks at Civic Center, go right (129 North). Take 2nd left past Rick's Smokin' Pig/Pasquale's onto Riverside Drive. School is at 2001 Riverside Drive.

GMS will be hosting its third annual Soup Stomp on March 1st from 6:00-8:00 PM. For a donation of \$5 an individual will select a handmade ceramic bowl and enjoy a soup dinner. All proceeds will benefit the Gateway Domestic Violence Center in Gainesville, GA

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

*Choice enrollment forms will go home with students on February 26, 2018 and are to be returned by March 9, 2018.

*Kindergarten Registration will take place at each elementary school on February 26 - March 9, 2018.

*Pre - k Lottery Sign Up will take place at the Registration Center February 26 - March 7th.

*Lottery Drawing will be held on March 8th.

| <u>Band</u> <u>(in Gym)</u> | <u>Chorus</u> <u>(in Trophy Hallway)</u> | <u>Art</u> <u>(in Cafeteria)</u> | <u>Drama</u> <u>(in Art Room)</u> |
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| 5:30 Intermediate Vignette | 8 th Grade Chorus | Soup Stomp | 6:15 HS Credit |
| 6:00 7 th Advanced/Jazz Vignette | 6 th Grade Chorus | Soup Stomp | 6:45 HS Credit |
| 6:30 9-10 th High School | 7 th Grade Chorus | Soup Stomp | 7:15 6 th /7 th Vignettes |
| 7:00 Jazz Band/8 th Adv.anced | | Soup Stomp | |
| 7:30 11-12 th High School | | | |

Please come to Mundy Mill Learning Academy on **Thursday, March 1st, 2018** to donate blood in honor of our assistant principal, Daryl White. He is battling stage 4 cancer and although he is doing well, he has needed several blood transfusions. Let's show our support by donating blood on March 1 from 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

at Mundy Mill Learning Academy. Use the link below to sign up for a time.

www.tinyurl.com/mundymillblooddrive

GMS Cheer Tryouts will be March 5-7

Informational Meeting for students will be held Feb. 5th

Georgia's FAFSA Completion Initiative is sponsored by the Georgia Student Finance Commission

(GSFC). It consists of FREE events where volunteers help students and families complete the FAFSA. Attendees also have an opportunity to learn more about other financial aid resources. The federal government requires a FAFSA from all students seeking financial aid for college.

WHEN: February 12th, 2018

WHERE: Media Center

TIME: 9:00- 5:00 p.m. (Pre-Registration Link: <https://goo.gl/forms/BrodLlu1JZf24Ail1>)

MORE INFORMATION: GHS Counseling 2018 Google Classroom, GAfutures.org or GHS Counselors

UNG is coming to Gainesville City Schools to tell you all about our GRADUATE PROGRAMS! If you have thought about a Master's degree, or if you hold a Masters or Specialist and you are thinking about going into Educational Leadership, now is the time to come out and see what UNG has to offer! Our courses are convenient for the busy professional with our campus in Gainesville and some offerings online or hybrid. Come out and see what we have to offer you!

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION GRADUATE PROGRAMS INFORMATIONAL MEETING
Monday, FEBRUARY 26th 5:00 PM -6:00 PM Gainesville City Schools BOE OFFICE
Educational Leadership Add-On- TIER I Educational Leadership EDS- TIER II

LAST WEEK'S SPORTS RESULTS

Basketball

Varsity Boys Basketball Beat Apalachee 79-49

Swimming

State Meet @ Georgia Tech

Tanner Doan-6A State Champion in 200 Im

6A State Runner-up in 100 Free

Brian Monaghan-6A State Championship 100 Breast

Boys Medley Relay-8th in State **Tanner Doan, Brian Monaghan, Spencer Sumner, Jay**

Hinshaw

Boys 200 Free Relay-9th in State **Tanner Doan, Brian Monaghan, Spencer Sumner, Adam**

Benefield

Soccer

Varsity Girls Beat East Hall 10-0

Varsity Boys Beat East Hall 3-0

Wrestling

Malique Johnson Qualifies for State Meet

Eric Fuentes, 3rd Grade Student at Enota, was the 1st Place Art Award Recipient in the 2018 Arbor Day Art and Essay Contest.

Board Approves School Choice Limits, Expands Pre-K to all Elementary Schools

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/limits-gainesville-school-choice-pre-k-expansion-now-settled/>

Excitement ramps up for Region Basketball Tournament

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/plenty-watch-region-basketball-tournaments-begin/>

Georgia School Board Applies Common Core Under New Name

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/opinion/letter-georgia-school-board-applies-common-core-under-new-name/>

Enota Robotics Team Headed to State

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/north-hall-middle-enota-lego-robotics-teams-headed-state/>

Broken Gas Line Changes Way Home for Some Students

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/broken-gas-line-changes-way-home-some-gainesville-students/>