



ELEPHANT TRACKS

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS

March 30, 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

3/30 Teacher Work Day - No School for Students
Elementary Social Studies Teachers Reviewing Learning Progressions SBO Board
Room 8-4
School Nutrition Meeting SBO Parade Room 8:45-12
4/2-6 Spring Break No School for Students or Faculty
4/7 Last Day of Pay Period
4/9 & 10 SSW Processes Parade Room 8-4:30
4/9 Timesheets Due to Payroll
4/10 Principals Meeting SBO Board Room 9-12
4/19 Progress Reports Sent Home

CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY

3/30 Teacher Work Day - No School for Students
4/2-6 Spring Break No School for Students or Faculty
4/9 Spring Pictures
4/10 Faculty Meeting
4/11 Milestones Training w/ Administration during Planning
4/12 Parapro Training for Milestones @ 8:30

ENOTA ELEMENTARY

3/30 Teacher Work Day - No School for Students
4/2-6 Spring Break No School for Students or Faculty

FAIR STREET ELEMENTARY

3/30 Teacher Work Day - No School for Students
4/2-6 Spring Break No School for Students or Faculty
4/9-4/27 Universal Screeners
4/9 Elementary GCGM/SLOs Begin
4/9-11 PBIS Reteach
4/10 5th Grade Graduation Pictures
SIP Meeting
Student Council Meeting in Library 2);; pm
4/12 Fire Drill 1:00 pm

GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY

3/30 Teacher Work Day - No School for Students
4/2-6 Spring Break No School for Students or Faculty
4/11 GAN During Planning
Art Honors Class

MUNDY MILL ACADEMY

3/30 Teacher Work Day - No School for Students
4/2-6 Spring Break No School for Students or Faculty
4/9 Faculty Meeting at 2:55
4/11 School Governance Council Meeting at 12:00
PBIS Team Meeting at 2:55
4/12 Community Helpers Event from 10:00-1:00
4/13 Blue Pop Day
Student Council Meeting at 1:30

NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY

3/30 Teacher Work Day - No School for Students
4/2-6 Spring Break No School for Students or Faculty

GMS

3/30 Baseball 3rd Round Playoffs
3/30 Teacher Work Day - No School for Students
4/2-6 Spring Break No School for Students or Faculty
4/10 Coed Middle School Golf Tri-Meet Olde Atlanta Club 4:00 pm

GHS

3/30 Teacher Work Day - No School for Students
Varsity Baseball vs. Habersham @ Home 5:55 pm
4/2-6 Spring Break No School for Students or Faculty
4/2 Varsity Baseball @ Lanier 5:55 pm
4/4 Varsity Baseball Lanier @ Home 5:55 pm
4/6 Varsity Baseball @ Lanier 5:55 pm
4/9 Girls Lacrosse vs. Pebblebrook @ Home 5:30 pm
Varsity Baseball @ Dacula 5:55 pm
4/10 Varsity Soccer vs. Chestatee @ Home Girls 5:30 pm Boys 7:30 pm
4/11 Leadership Meeting Media Center 3:40 pm
Boys Varsity Golf
Track Titans Tune-up 4:00 pm
Girls Varsity Golf @ Lanier
Varsity Baseball Dacula @ Home 5:55 pm
Boys Lacrosse vs. North Cobb @ Home 6:00 pm
4/12 Fire Drill 1:00 pm
Girls Lacrosse vs. Meadowcreek @ Home 5:30 pm
4/13 & 14 Pajama Drama White Columns Golf Club Milton, GA
4/13 Varsity Soccer @ Lanier Girls 5:30 pm Boys 7:30 pm
Varsity Baseball @ Dacula 5:55 pm
4/14 Girls Golf Bronco Invitational
4/15 Block Party Honoring Basketball Team GHS Horseshoe 3-5 pm

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.

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.

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.

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.

GHS will host a block party to celebrate the men of GHS's Basketball Tea and their amazing season. It will be on April 15, 2018 at the GHS Horseshoe from 3-5 pm. There will be games, food, and food for the whole family. Bring lawn chairs and quilts.

Heroes of the Herd Nomination:

Through our recognition program, Gainesville City School System honors our employees for their outstanding work, dedication, and service to our students, parents, and community. The Heroes of the Herd award recognizes classified employees for their exceptional work performance, commendable service, and commitment to serving the needs of our students. The award acknowledges those outstanding individuals who work "above and beyond" in getting the job done and for being a true "HERO" using their **Hearts Everywhere** to **Reach Out** to others.

To nominate a **classified employee** as a HERO, please click the link below. **The deadline for submitting nominations is April 30, 2018.**

Heroes of the Herd Link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd4Y7EQMnhEzmUtSJrQiqu81CxYkUACRZ_edKjBAriGZ0EEBg/viewform

April 19 is the 50th Anniversary of Center Point. They will be having a double celebration, celebrating this historic milestone while recognizing special recipients at the annual Honor's Night. **April 19-6:00 pm-First Baptist Church Banquet Hall**

\$35 Ticket or \$240 for a table of 8 RSVP by March 30 770-535-1050

2nd – 6th graders

Save the Date!

GHS Theatre Friends' Pajama Drama

Friday, April 13th – 14th

You are invited to join in a night of theatre and fun at the Gainesville High School Pam Ware Performing Art Center! You will get to work with the amazing Pam Ware and her talented troupe of theatre students (and adult chaperones). Activities include improvisation, learning songs from various musicals, theatre games, choreography and more. The cost is \$50 and space is limited so register early! Registration forms will be sent home from school the week of March 18th or you can request a form at ghspajamadrama@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you there!

GMS Drama Department will perform *The Lion King, Jr.* April 23 and 24 @ 6 PM in the GMS cafeteria. GMS faculty and staff are admitted free and all other tickets are \$5.00 at the door.

The Gainesville City School System recognizes school and district administrators who display outstanding leadership qualities. These individuals motivate and inspire others around them, set high standards of integrity, delegate roles and responsibilities among all team members, listen attentively and communicate effectively with all stakeholders with a clear, concise vision of strategic goals.

The Mighty STOMP! Leader Award honors that remarkable leader who leads by Supporting Teachers and Others Modeling Positive-Performance (S.T.O.M.P.).

The deadline for submitting nominations is April 30, 2018.

Nomination Process:

Employees can click the link listed below to nominate a **school or district administrator** for the leadership award.

The award recipient will be recognized at the May 2018 Board Meeting.

Mighty STOMP! Leader Award Nomination Form Link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfZ7yZo85Y0S3w1j1nfmhEssMlFmxCJBgFcLpGzEJ2JJBpY6A/viewf>

For the month of April 2018, GCSS employees will be paid on April 30, 2018. The payroll dates are March 4 through April 7, 2018. Time sheets and leave request need to be signed/approved by April 9, 2018

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.

Elache Nature Science Center will offer a Spring Break Camp for students Ages 3 years old through 5th Grade. For additional information elachee.org/camp/elachee or call 770-535-1976.

David Smith, the Executive Director of Center Point was awarded the Annual Kiwanis Youth Service Award for his over 48 years of service to our youth.. The announcement was made at the annual event on Tuesday evening , March 20 at the Chattahoochee Country Club.

This Week in Sports

Soccer

Boys Varsity Soccer Beat Apalachee 2-1

Baseball

Boys Varsity Baseball Beat Habersham 8-0

Varsity Baseball Beat Winder 6-4

JV Baseball Beat Habersham 11-0

Golf

Boys Golf Won the Athens Classic Championship

More Demand Than Spots in Most GCSS Schools for Pre-K

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/more-demand-spots-pre-k-most-gainesville-schools/>

Gainesville Boys Golf Takes Second in Warrior Invitational

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/high-school-golf-gainesville-boys-team-takes-second-warrior-invitational/>

GHS Girls Golf Comes in Eighth in Athens Classic

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/sports/high-school-golf-scoreboard-gainesville-girls-place-eighth-athens-classic-tourney/>

GHS Student's Story of Cardiac Arrest Featured at Health Meeting

<https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/news/teenagers-story-surviving-cardiac-arrest-featured-health-summit/>