



# ELEPHANT TRACKS

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF EDUCATING OUR STUDENTS

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## **ALL SCHOOLS**

- 8/19 Solar Eclipse Festival Elachee Nature Center 10-1 (See Below)
- 8/21 Social Workers Meeting SBO Parade Room 9-11  
Schools Release Hour Late Because of Solar Eclipse  
School Board Regular Meeting Public Safety Complex 6:00 pm
- 8/22 Administrative Meeting SBO Board Room GMS & GHS 9-11 Elementary 10-12
- 8/23 District LEA Title 1 & Parent & Family SBO Board Room 9-10 am
- 8/29 Executive Cabinet SBO Board Room 9:00 am
- 9/1 Deadline to Submit Proofs of Residency
- 9/4 Labor Day Holiday-No School for Faculty, Staff, Students
- 9/5 School Board Work Session @ SBO Board Room 6:00 pm
- 9/6 Progress Reports
- 9/9 Last Day of Pay Period
- 9/11 Time Sheets Due to Central Office

## **CENTENNIAL ELEMENTARY**

- 8/21 WIN Starts  
Solar Eclipse- School Dismisses at 3:20
- 8/22 Committee Meetings  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Curriculum Night 6-7 pm
- 8/23 PLC Meetings with Administration  
Family Day  
Leadership Team 3:00 pm
- 8/24 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Curriculum Night 6-7 pm
- 8/25 Italian Ice Day

## **GAINESVILLE ELEMENTARY**

- 8/21 Eclipse Events  
Solar Eclipse- School Dismisses at 3:20
- 8/23 Leadership Meetings 7:15 am
- 8/24 GAN Meetings During Connections  
Governance Council 12:00 noon

## **MUNDY MILL ACADEMY**

- 8/21 Eclipse Instructional Focus and Viewing  
Solar Eclipse- School Dismisses at 3:20
- 8/22 Leadership Meeting 2:45
- 8/28 Cadres 2:45 pm

## **NEW HOLLAND ELEMENTARY**

- 8/21 Solar Eclipse- School Dismisses at 3:20

## GMS

- 8/19 Volleyball @ Jefferson Jamboree 9:00 am  
Football Jamboree @ Athens Christian 5:30 pm  
8/21 Solar Eclipse- School Dismisses @ 4:25 pm  
8/24 Football @ Dawson Co. 5:30 pm  
8/31 FCCLA Ice Cream Social 3:50-5:00

## GHS

- 8/18 Club Expo Gym 12:54-1:54  
“One Gainesville Tailgate” City Park 5:30 til Kick-Off (See Below)  
Varsity Football GHS vs. West Hall @ City Park 7:30 pm  
8/19 Varsity Cross Country @ Peachtree Ridge 9:00 am  
Softball vs. White County @ Home 10 & 12:00 Noon  
8/21 Solar Eclipse- School Dismisses @ 4:25  
8/22 Softball @ Lanier 5:55 pm  
8/23 Volleyball (C) vs. West Hall @ Home 5:00  
8/24 Lockdown Drill 9:00 am  
Volleyball \*Varsity & JV vs. Lakeview & Johnson @ Home 5:00 pm  
Softball vs. Apalachee @ Home 5:30 pm  
JV Football @ Apalachee 5:30 pm  
AP US History Boston/New York Trip Meeting Room 301 6-7:30 am  
8/25 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Freshman Friday  
Varsity Football @ Alpharetta 7:30 pm  
8/26 Volleyball Hall County Tournament @ East Hall & Flowery Branch

## **DIRECTIONS TO SCHOOLS**

*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.*

**Alpharetta High School**-Go Dawsonville Highway (Hwy. 53) west. Go 9.6 miles. Turn left on Keith Bridge Road (GA. 306.) Go 8 miles. Go Ga. 400 South for 15 miles. Take the Windward Parkway exit (Exit # 11) toward Alpharetta. Go .4 miles and turn left onto Windward Parkway . Go .3 miles and turn right onto North Point Parkway . Go .9 miles and turn left onto Webb Bridge Road . Go .3 miles to 3595 Webb Bridge Road .

**Apalachee High School** : Highway 53 thru Winder. At McDonalds, go straight. This road becomes Hwy. 81. Follow 81 across Hwy 316 (BP station on left). Follow the highway until the 1st stop sign & turn right onto Carl-Bethlehem Road . Go 1/4 mile and take 1st left onto Haymon-Morris Road . Go 1 1/4 mile. Apalachee High School is on the left. 1st drive is for sports activities.

**Athens Christian-** Go 129 E. to Athens . Take the Athens loop going north. Merge onto US-29 N./ GA-8 N. vis Exit 10D toward GA 72/Danielsville Elberton. School address is 1270 Highway 29 N.

**Dawson County High School :** Take Highway 53 past 400. Approximately 5 1/2 miles. 2nd red light past 400. Take right onto Perimeter Road . Go to 3rd drive.

**East Hall High School** - Go Jesse Jewel Parkway . Go under I-985. Road changes into Old Cornelia Highway . School will be approximately 2 miles on your right. Baseball, soccer, and football fields are approximately on mile down Old Cornelia Highway on the opposite side of the road as the school.

**Flowery Branch High School-**Take 985 South to Spout Springs Road exit. Turn left at the end of the exit ramp. Go 2.5 miles. School is on left hand side of road. 6603 Spout Springs Road.

**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.

**Jefferson Middle 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. School will be 1/4 mile on your 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.

**Peachtree Ridge High School-**985 South 20.3 miles to I-85 South. Go 2.79 miles to Exit 109, Old Peachtree Road/Sugarloaf Parkway. Keep right to take the Old Peachtree Road Ramp. Turn right onto Old Peachtree Road, NW. Go 1.24 miles to 1555 Old Peachtree Road, Suwanee.

Gainesville School System has announced plans keep students an hour later on Aug. 21 so students and teachers can experience the eclipse at school. Parents who want to enjoy the eclipse with their children are encouraged to check them out around 1 p.m. that day before the event is expected to begin.

“One” Gainesville Tailgate GHS vs. West Hall  
Come meet the Gainesville City School Leadership!  
Friday, August 18, 2017 5:30 til Kick Off  
Upper Parking Lot Catered by Dairy Queen

Sponsored by GHS Varsity Cheerleaders. Cost: \$5.00.

GHS yearbooks are on sale now through [bigredyearbook.com](http://bigredyearbook.com)  
For a limited time they are \$70 for free name or monogram and 4 free icons.

### **GHS THEATRE SEASON SCHEDULE**

Moon Over Buffalo, Sept. 5-7 (Tues, Wed, Thur) PLAY

Godspell – 2012 Revival, Sep. 26-28 (Tues, Wed, Thur)

Harvey, Nov. 14-16 (Tues, Wed, Thur) PLAY

The Wiz, Dec. 5-7 (Tues, Wed, Thur)

Thoroughly Modern Millie, March 6-8 (Tues, Wed, Thur)

The Addams Family, May 2-4 (Wed, Thur, Fri)

Ticket Prices: \$10 Adult / \$5 Senior or Student.

Season Passes: \$50 Adult / \$30 Senior or Student.

Beginning July 17, 2017, all students attending the Gainesville City School System will be required to provide two updated proofs of residency to the school that your child attends.

Acceptable proofs of residency include one of the following:

non-contingent sales contract

current lease/rental agreement

most recent income tax return or IRS Form 1099

current paycheck stub

current warranty or quit claim deed

current home purchase agreement

current homeowner's insurance policy

Additionally, one of the following must be provided:

current gas bill (within last 30 days)

current water bill (within last 30 days)

current electric bill (within last 30 days)

current cable/internet bill (with service address within last 30 days)

Students who are non-residents will be required to submit one proof of residency from the list in order to verify mailing address for the school.

Students who do not present valid proofs of residency by September 1, 2017 will be withdrawn as of that date.

Please contact your child's school for any questions concerning this process

One of the of the longest and fiercest rivalries in Georgia is back GHS Basketball vs. East Hall Basketball!!! Join us October 22, 2017 at 2:00 pm. Gainesville Red Elephants vs. East Hall Vikings at Gainesville High School. You must be a graduate from Gainesville High School or East Hall High School.

Join the GHS Athletic Club “Benefitting Gainesville’s Student Athletes”

#### MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

##### **COACH’S CLUB                      \$1,000**

Family Athletic Pass (Immediate family - up to 6 total people)

Big Red Cup Hole Sponsorship at Annual Golf Tournament

Gifts TBD

(Additional athletic passes available for \$100 each)

##### **BIG RED CLUB                      \$500**

Family Athletic Pass (Immediate family - up to 4 total people)

Gifts TBD (Additional athletic passes available for \$100 each)

##### **Gold Level                      \$250**

Single Athletic Pass (Good for one person)

Solar Eclipse Festival-Pre-Eclipse Astronomy Day Saturday, August 19, 2017 from 10-1. Experience Starlab Portable Planetarium, Safely View Sun with Solar Telescopes, Learn Facts about Upcoming Solar Eclipse, Make Astronomy Crafts. General Admission \$10.00 Members \$5.00 per person. Children under 2 years free. Free solar eclipse safety glasses with paid admission while supplies last..

#### Grady Young Foundation Scholarship Winners

Arieli Alabarrab-Grady Young Memorial Scholarship

Faith Moss –Jacob Wilmont Community Athletic Scholarship

#### Game Results

Softball- Varsity Defeated West Hall 10-5

Volleyball-Varsity Beat Pinecrest 25-18, 25-12

JV Beat Pinecrest 25-23, 25-18, North Oconee 2-0, Morgan Co. 2-0 & Walnut Grove 2-0

C-Team Beat Flowery Branch 25-3, 25-14 & Apalachee 25-6, and 25-5

Football-Varsity Football Scrimmaged North Forsyth Friday Night and Finished in a 21-21 Tie. Tarik Kabir had 2 receiving td’s and Tre Luttrell had 1 rushing td and 2 passing td’s.

#### *Outstanding GHS Grad Dies*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/6/article/124778/>

#### *GHS vs. West Hall Should Be Interesting Game*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/28/article/124840/>

#### *Gainesville High graduate Deshaun Watson Shines for Houston Texans in Preseason Debut*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/173/article/124759/>

#### *First Week of High School Football*

<http://www.gainesvilletimes.com/section/28/article/124820/>