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Weekly Wrap

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A Look Ahead

Friday, August 11

- Homegoing

Sunday, August 13

- Residential Students return

Monday, August 14

- Classes resume

Friday, August 18

- Homegoing

Sunday, August 20

- Residential Students return

Monday, August 21

- Classes resume

Friday, August 25

- Homegoing

Saturday, August 26

- Football, GSD vs. TSD, Away

Sunday, August 27

- Residential Students return

Monday, August 28

- Classes resume

Friday, Sep. 1

- Homegoing



Sports Schedules

Football, basketball, and volleyball schedules are now posted on the GSD website under the "Dorm Life" tab. Please come out and support our students!

First Day of School



Sponsors

If you or someone you know would be interested in sponsoring our athletic programs or our school yearbook please contact us at- 706-777-2200.



GSD students involved in Animation and Digital Media class at the Floyd County College and Career Academy

Are ASL Interpreters Important at Medical Appointments?

YES! Deaf people have the right to understand what is being said about their health while at a medical appointment! This includes Deaf Children. Writing notes back and forth is not enough! Imagine everyone talking about you while you sit there, but you don't understand anything that is being said. And it's about you! Your health! Your life! Think how frustrating that would be!

Deaf people have the right to interpreters during medical appointments. This does include Deaf children. Contact the doctor or medical facility the week prior and notify them that a certified interpreter is required. Someone's cousin who knows how to sign is not appropriate! Someone who took two ASL classes is not appropriate! A certified interpreter is appropriate. The patient Does Not have to pay for the interpreter! Please inform the office ahead of time so that they can get the interpreter scheduled. To learn about what a doctor or a hospital has to provide read the following articles at:

- <http://www.disabilityrightsnrc.org/sites/default/files/ASL%20Interpreter%20in%20Health%20Care%20Setting%20DRNC.pdf>
- <https://justdigitlaw.wordpress.com/2015/11/13/are-doctors-required-to-provide-interpreters-for-deaf-patients/>
- <https://www.nad.org/resources/health-care-and-mental-health-services/health-care-providers/questions-and-answers-for-health-care-providers/>

An Invitation to Join the Transition4Youth Facebook Page

Parent to Parent of Georgia would like to invite all AASD and GSD students ages 14 and older to join the following closed facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/GATransitions4Youth/>

Description of the group:

This group is a place for teens and young adults to get information that will help to answer the question, "what are you going to do after high school"? It doesn't matter if you are continuing with school, training for or getting a job, or preparing to live life on your own, we can all use a little help! So, pose a question, reveal a dream, or share a resource and let's help each other transition to the next phase of life . . . adulthood.

This group is CLOSED for privacy; however it is important to remember that nothing on the internet is completely confidential. Please check your individual privacy settings! Sponsored by Parent to Parent of Georgia

Regional Parent Meetings

Regional parent meetings will be held throughout the state during the school year. Please come out and join us to discuss the latest updates on your school. The first meetings will take place in September. see the attached announcement for dates and locations.

Interested in Learning ASL Online?

If you are interested in learning to sign there are numerous websites with free videos. One of my favorites is <http://www.lifeprint.com/> There are many more that you can find links to on the GSD website. Click on the "Family Tab" at the top of the website and scroll down to "Learning ASL". Click on it and you will see several links on the right side of the page.

ASLPro is a great website---<http://www.aslpro.com/> Please be aware that often if you search for ASL videos on YouTube that many videos are created by ASL students who really have no real ASL skills. If you are uncertain about what watching in a video feel free to contact a GSD staff member and ask about a particular website or video.

It is very important that our GSD students see signing at school and at home. It greatly assists in developing language skills and leads to daily incidental learning!





Want to learn more about
Transition to Adulthood for Deaf Students?
Learn the keys to successful transition, the role of the
school in transition planning and things to consider when
planning your child's transition to adulthood

Log on to Parent to Parent's E3 Project Live Webinar:

“Where Do We Go From Here?”
Tuesday, August 29, 2017, at 7:00 PM
Presenter: Madeline Griffin Transition Partner for
Atlanta Area School for the Deaf and
Georgia School for the Deaf
Participate in the comfort of your own home, or log
on at your local library

Link to Registration URL: [https://
attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1593398225621185633](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1593398225621185633)

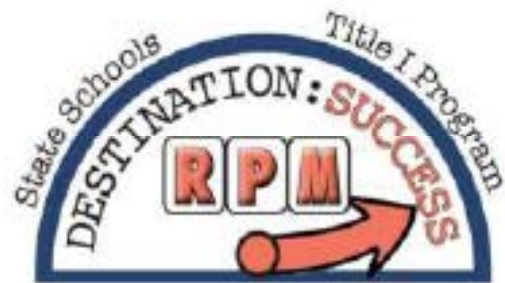
AASD, GAB and GSD Parents/Guardians: Your Family Engagement Team Wants to Meet YOU!

Tuesday, September 19 in Fulton County

Thursday, September 28 in Chatham County

Thursday, September 28 in Clarke County

save these dates, addresses will be forthcoming!



Drop in anytime between 5:30-7:30 pm

Meet other Families.

Get the latest updates on your school including

Parental Involvement Plan

and the

School/Student/Parent-Guardian Compact for Student Achievement

Learn ways to help your child with school.

Learn of valuable resources in your community.

Light refreshments served.

Door prize given.

Please RSVP: Sonya Milam at 478-262-3303
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