Cowboys aren’t just old movie characters. Students in Rebekah Knisley’s 5th grade Social Studies class are learning about the important role cowboys played in US history, such as cattle drives that brought cattle from ranches to northern railroads. As part of the lesson, the students made cowboy hats. Now they need some boots!

Hannah loves her hat!

Zaida, Bryce, Layla, and Hannah model their cowboy hats.

Our Elementary Tigers are ready to start a new school year! Teacher Jamie Anderson took “First Day” pictures, then the students completed a writing assignment that expressed how they felt about the first day of school: happy, sad, excited, or worried. They all said they were happy or excited!

Pals Zaiden and Waylon are both starting 3rd grade!

Far left: Waylon, Zaiden, Le’Ondre, and Autumn have fun at lunch time.

Left: Maria, Kingsley, and Cesar enjoy their lunch.

Right: Le’Ondre is a 1st grade scientist!
Be sure to keep up with everything GSD this year!
Website: www.gsdweb.org
Facebook: georgiaschoolforthedeaf
Instagram: gsdtigers
Twitter: gsdtigers
YouTube: GSD Social Media

Contact GSD Family Engagement Coordinator Marie Dickinson at mdickinson@doe.k12.ga.us or 706-331-6314 (call/text/videoapp).

Atlanta United ASL Day

Anyone love soccer? In partnership with the Georgia Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Atlanta United hosted ASL Day on Saturday, August 6th. The game was exciting and United won 2-1 in overtime. GSD staff and families who attended had a blast and got cool ASL Day United t-shirts! Thanks to GCDHH for this event. Their next event is Deaf Awareness Day at Six Flags! Check out the flyer on the back on the School Helper.

The Herston family (teacher Steven, Special Ed Director Jamie, GSD student Abe, and his brother Hosea), had a great time cheering for United.

Diego Olvera had fun attending with his family.

Teachers Dana Tarter, Tiffany Brown, and Kaylyn Nix loved their first United game.

Far Left: “Unite and Conquer” on the big screen.
Left: ASL Day shirt with Atlanta United in fingerspelling.

Brody being silly with Marie on Friday.

Teacher Steven Herston helps Cesar with his tray.

Layla snuggles a tiger.
The 4th and 5th graders show respect by paying attention.

Jamie Anderson gives examples of how to show respect.

Autumn knows there are 3 Rs!

At GSD students are expected to:

Be Respectful! All students are expected to treat all other members of the learning community with respect.

Respect is demonstrated through behavior and communication.

Respect means following directions from adults the first time they ask.

Be Responsible! All students are expected to be responsible for their behavior and learning.

Being responsible means learning from your mistakes.

Being responsible means taking care of your things and your school.

Be Resilient! All students are expected to try their best.

Being resilient means doing your work in class and participating, even when it’s hard.

Being resilient means not giving up.
Date: July 27, 2022
Re: Sexuality Education

Dear Parent or Guardian:

This school year your child has the opportunity to participate in sexuality education as part of the Georgia School for the Deaf Social Emotional Learning program (SEL). This program will be facilitated by our School Social Worker, School Psychologist and School Nurse. The lessons are specifically designed to be developmentally appropriate based on your child’s age.

For Elementary School students, topics include anatomy, relationships, and safety. Lessons for upper elementary students will also include lessons related to puberty and development (4th and 5th grade) and reproduction (5th grade students).

For Middle School and High School students, topics in the areas of anatomy and sexual reproduction expand to include pregnancy, birth control, and sexually transmitted diseases.

You are welcome to contact your child’s school social worker to preview the lessons we will be teaching your student. Georgia School for the Deaf acknowledges that parents/guardians are the primary sexuality educators for their child/children and we are committed to partnering with you to provide supplementary resources to support you in this role.

Parents/guardians have the option of excluding their child from any (or all) portions of sexuality education instruction if it is in conflict with conscience, moral, or religious beliefs. If this is the case with your child, please fill out the exclusion form attached and send it to your child’s school social worker. Students who are excused will be allowed to read in the library or another enjoyable activity.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Blanchard, MSW
Georgia School for the Deaf, School Social Worker
I wish for my child, ______________________________, to be excused from the following lessons of the sexuality education.

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Parent/Guardian Signature ______________________________ Date _______________

Self awareness  Self management  Relationship skills

Social awareness  Responsible decision making
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OVER GEORGIA

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2022
PARK HOURS: NOON – 10PM

$47.99 TAX INCLUSIVE

Member/Season Pass Holder meal only option available for $21.99 tax inclusive

TICKET PACKAGE INCLUDES:
- Park Admission
- FREE Parking
- All-You-Can-Eat Lunch from 4PM – 5PM: Menu includes Pulled BBQ Chicken, Beef Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Apple Crisp, Ice Cream Cups and Coca-Cola Fountain Drinks

Interpreters will be present throughout the park on event day.

HOW TO PURCHASE TICKETS

STEP 1: Go to www.sixflags.com/overgeorgia

STEP 2: (Computer or Tablet): Enter code DEAFDAY into the 'Enter Promo' box in the top right corner of the page, then click 'Go'
(Mobile): Click the Hamburger Icon on the top left and enter code DEAFDAY in the 'Enter Promo Code' field at the bottom, then press 'Go'

STEP 3: Continue through the remaining prompts to purchase your ticket(s)

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