

The School Helper

Georgia School for the Deaf

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“This institution is an equal opportunity provider.”



Second Quarter Honor Roll

Congratulations and keep up the good work!



Elementary Honor Roll



Middle School Honor Roll



Middle School High Honor Roll



High School High Honor Roll



High School Principal's List



1st Semester Perfect Attendance



2nd Quarter Perfect Attendance



High School Honor Roll

Book Drive

A book drive for the Salvation Army was held by Lynn James-Batey's class in December. They collected a lot of books! Wonderful work!



DeMarco and Tramaine read together in the dorm.

Mark Your Calendar!

- 1/11-12 Kentucky Classic BBall Tourney (VB) at KSD
- 1/15 Amazing Countdown Math Race (elementary)
- 1/15 VB BBall vs Morris Innovative 5:30 pm
- 1/16 BBall at AASD 4:30 pm (JVB, VG, VB)
- 1/17 VB BBall vs Morris Innovative 5:30 pm
- 12/21 MLK Holiday—GSD closed
- 12/21 Residential transportation

The Georgia Pathway Advisory Committee is accepting applications for members. Georgia Pathway is a group of concerned parents, professionals, and advocates for Deaf and Hard of Hearing children. The group's mission is to promote literacy. Their goal is for every Deaf and Hard of Hearing child to be on grade level in reading by the end of third grade. If you are interested in serving on this advisory committee, please complete the application by 30 January 2019. You can download the application from the GSD website, www.gsdweb.org under "Coming Attractions."





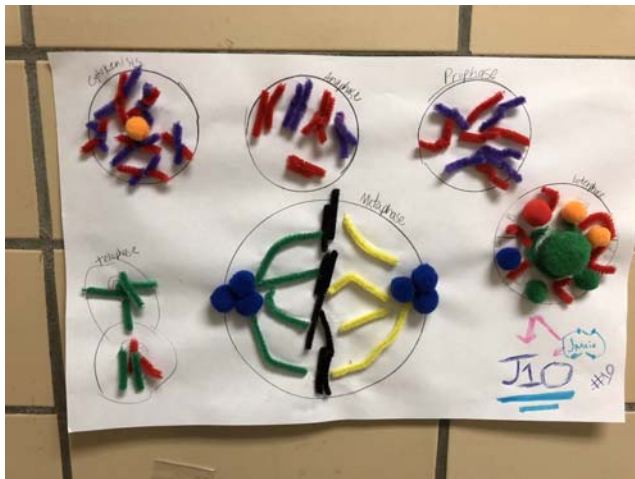
School Climate: Five-Star Rating!

Great news! On the most recent School Climate Star Rating, GSD earned **FIVE STARS**—the highest rating given! This rating is based on attendance, safety, and discipline data as well as responses from parent, student, and staff surveys. The rating shows what we all know to be true— GSD is a great place to go to school! You can see the details of our rating by visiting <http://www.georgiainsights.com/school-climate-overview.html>.

Now we need your help to earn a 5-star rating again! Parents, we ask that you complete the School Climate survey at <http://gshs.gadoe.org/parents>.

It is only 24 questions and is available in English and Spanish. Responses are anonymous. The survey is very important, as it is used in the calculation of our school climate star rating each year.

We thank you for your participation!



Middle School students can be proud of the work they are accomplishing in Science and Social Studies!



Elizabeth	1/1
Carson	1/4
Jeremiah	1/10
Jose	1/13
Arizona	1/24
Stephanie	1/24
Kentrell	1/25
Parris	1/25
Guadalupe	1/26
Raymond	1/31



Jr NAD Community Service

Jr NAD officers Kenneth Kennedy and Zariah Clay delivered surprise Christmas baskets to Jim and Shirley Whitworth and Katie McCoy in December.

See the sign: <https://www.signingsavvy.com/sign/WALK/762/3> or <http://www.lifeprint.com/>

How to sign: Both hands flat in front of your body, palms down. Move hands gently forward and back (imitating the movement of walking). Repeat.

NOTE: There are a few ways to sign WALK. Check out the videos to see other ways to sign this word.

Sign of the Week:

Walk



JEANNIE NEWMAN

Get to know GSD's Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

Favorite color: Red

Years at GSD: 7

Favorite place to visit: Navarre Beach, FL

Why GSD students are great: They work hard, they are sweet and helpful. They're very patient with me with my lack of ASL. I truly appreciate them. AND, if it weren't for these students, none of us would have a job here!



ASL CLASSES

Make improving your ASL your New Year's Resolution! Atlanta Area School for the Deaf will be offering free ASL classes from January-March in 3 locations: Clarkston (AASD campus), Lilburn, and Stockbridge. Please visit the GSD website at www.gsdweb.org under "Coming Attractions" for exact dates, details and registration forms in both English and Spanish.



American Sign Language (ASL) is primarily used by deaf people within the United States. It is becoming increasingly popular as more hearing people learn about the world of the deaf and choose to involve themselves more with it. Learning ASL is a great way to start to learn more about deaf culture, and has other benefits for anyone that learns it as well!

THIS ASL CLASS IS FOR ANYONE WHO WISHES TO LEARN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE, DEAF CULTURE AND HOW TO CONVERSE USING ASL IN EVERY-DAY CONVERSATIONS WITH DEAF COMMUNITY.

THIS CLASS IS A NON-CREDIT 2-HOUR COURSE ON SATURDAYS FOR 8 WEEKS.

First class starts on January 12, 2019

Course Fee: \$ 80 Per Student– Deadline to register is January 10, 2019

ASL I– 9 AM– 11 AM

Signing Naturally Units 1-6 (\$80 required)

ASL II– 11 AM– 1 PM

Prerequisite: ASL I

Classes will be at
Georgia Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
4151 Memorial Drive #103-B Decatur, GA 30032

Question? Payment?

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