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Georgia Academy for the Blind - GAB



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Mission Statement: The Georgia Academy for the Blind provides quality education services to Georgia's students with visual impairments and/or visual impairments in conjunction with other disabilities to prepare them to achieve their highest level of independence in transition to college and career readiness. *Check out this student produced video featuring this Mission Statement:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IRrbhkGSe98>

## Mark Your Calendars

**November 3<sup>rd</sup>: DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME CHANGE**

**November 16: Announcing Cornhole Tournament at GAB with a Silent Auction**



**November 25-29: Thanksgiving Holidays**

**December 13,14, and 15: GA Lions Camp – “Christmas Camp”**  
Please see the attached camp flier to click the link and register!

**December 19: Annual Winter Music Program and Art Show w/Families**

**December 20-January 3 : Winter Holidays**

**January 20: Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday**

See our completed calendar on our website: [GABmacon.org](http://GABmacon.org)

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Don't miss out on important announcements from our Parent Mentor.

Text your student's name and your name to 478-262-3303 and you will be subscribed to *Family Engagement @*

This newsletter is published by our Parent Mentor/Family Engagement Specialist, Jennifer Minter. Please send your ideas, news and resources in your community to her. [JMinter@doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:JMinter@doe.k12.ga.us), 478-262-3303. **Please remember to contact her if you've had a change in address, phone number and/or email!**

## November Student Birthdays

Ja'Miyah: 11/2

Chris O: 11/8

Mikiya: 11/19

De'andre: 11/20

Terrence: 11/22

Tristen: 11/22



Mrs. Rushing's Class is reading the book, "Where the Red Fern Grows". Along with the story they have created the entry way to her door to look like a log cabin to bring the story to life!

## BOX TOPS NEWS !!!

I would like to send a big "shout out" to an organization that sent us 190 BOX TOPS. Yes, The Sisters of Middle Georgia Delta Gamma Alumnae Association came through in a big way. We are over 500 BOX TOPS in reaching our goal of 1,000 before the winter break. Please remember we are in a contest until Thanksgiving break, so keep collecting.

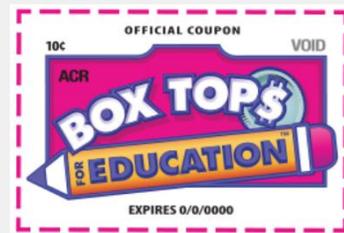
Below is an example of the BOX TOPS that require you to scan your receipts using the app on your phone.

If you have any questions, please email me at [slayson@doe.k12.ga.us](mailto:slayson@doe.k12.ga.us)

Thanks,

Ms. Layson

### THE OLD BOX TOPS CLIPS



### THE NEW BOX TOPS LABELS



Kaleb Evans has been selected as a Student Ambassador for Hutchings College and Career Academy. He is participating in GAB's Dual Enrollment Program with Hutchings, where he is enrolled in the Graphics Design Communication Pathway. As a Hutchings Student Ambassador, Kaleb will be promoting school programs, exhibiting student leadership, promoting positive school culture, and will be a "student voice" to enhance communication between students, parents, the community, and the school. This is a well-deserved honor! Congratulations, Kaleb!



**Kaleb Evans**

## Spotlight on our Superintendent, **Dr. Cindy Gibson**



Last week we celebrated Boss's Day and recognized our fearless leader Dr. Cindy Gibson. Her vision for Georgia Academy for the Blind continues to guide us towards meeting the academic, social, and emotional needs of all the students we serve. Dr. Gibson leads by grace and her efforts have not gone unnoticed. Thank you, Dr. Gibson, for ALL that you do!

**GAB Staff and Students**