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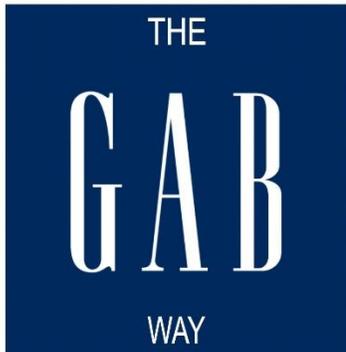
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Mission Statement: The Georgia Academy for the Blind provides quality education services to Georgia's students with visual impairments and/or visual impairments in conjunction with other disabilities to prepare them to achieve their highest level of 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>



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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 @*

Mark Your Calendars

September 8-14 Housekeepers' Appreciation Week

September 27-October 4: Space Camp, Huntsville, AL for *pre-selected eligible high school students. Families will be contacted.*

October 3-5 Camp Courage (Helen Keller Family Camp), Tuscumbia, AL for *students ages 9-12 AND their parents/guardians. Eligible students' families will be contacted.*

October 10-12 APH Insite Art Show AND recognition of Mrs. Applebee as America's Teacher of the Visually Impaired, Louisville Ky. *For pre-selected eligible students. Families will be contacted.*

October 14-18: Fall Break. GVEST for our teachers. *Family members may attend. Registration information is forthcoming.*

November 25-29: Thanksgiving Holidays

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

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, 478-262-3303. **Please remember to contact her if you've had a change in address, phone number and/or email!**

September Birthdays

Angelica: 9/4

Destiny: 9/7

Lucas: 9/7

Felix: 9/9

Korey: 9/10

Jose: 9/13

Armando: 9/15

Trinity: 9/15

Dominique: 9/23



BOX TOPS NEWS

Exciting News Flash: Scan your receipt for BOX TOPS before 9/30/19 and get double points!

We collected some BOX TOPS from a student and teachers this week. Every BOX TOP counts. Our total collected this week is 30. Our goal is 1,000 BOX TOPS by the end of 2019. Several people have used the BOX TOPS app. They scanned their receipt and money was added to our school account. If I can do it, I know that anyone can. The app is user friendly. Please email me at slayson@doe.k12.ga.us if you have any questions. Please keep sending in the BOX TOPS you collect with your child. The teachers will give them to me. REMEMBER: Please check the dates anything **BEFORE** the date of 11/19 cannot be used. Our deadline for this year is Oct. 31. Thanks for helping our students go on memorable field trips.

Alicia Rivera rocks!



Alicia participates in Dual Enrollment with Hutchings College & Career Academy, where she is in the Teaching as a Profession pathway. At HCCA, each pathway participates in Career Technical Student Organizations. The CTSO for the Teaching pathway is Future Georgia Educators. As Vice President of FGE, Alicia participated in Bibb County's CTSO Leadership Rally at Southwest High School on Saturday. She was involved in great break-out sessions about building on individual strengths to motivate and grow the student organizations, and heard speakers who all encouraged leading by example. An exciting time for every student leader who attended the rally!!

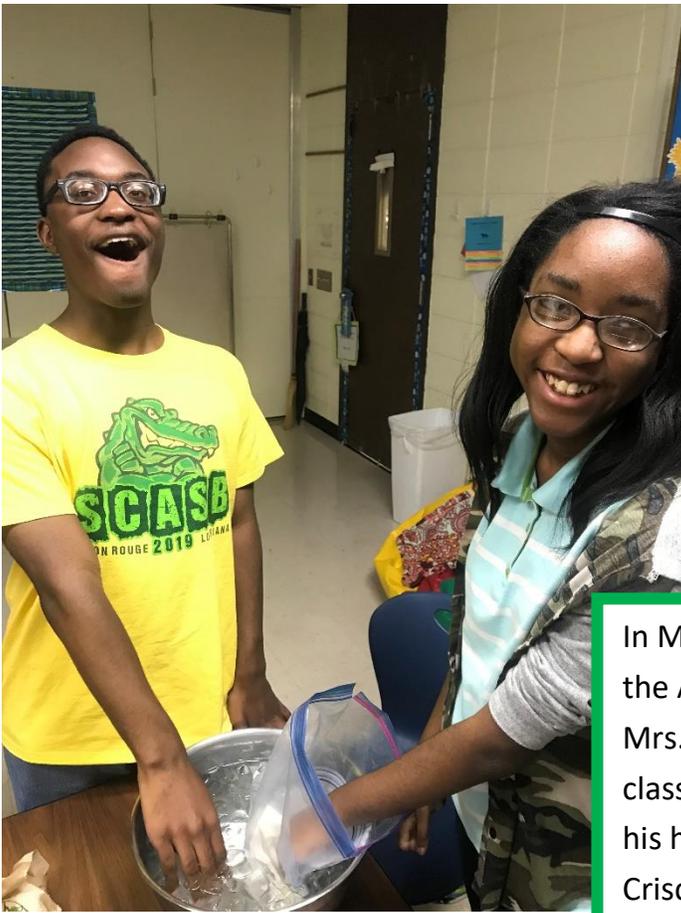


HOUSEKEEPER APPRECIATION WEEK!

We Love and Appreciate all that our GAB Custodial staff does to support our School!



Sylvia Williams
Tiara Akridge
Kenon Singletary
Roselyn Sparks
Joann Taylor
Lisa Walker
Kinitra Weldon



In Mrs. Melanie Thompson's class they have been studying the Arctic Tundra where temperatures are below freezing! Mrs. Alicia Jackson, our Assistant Principal, stopped by the classroom to see their blubber demonstration. Caden puts his hand in ice water while Ambria has her hand wrapped in Crisco to simulate blubber and how animals like polar bears are adapted to live in the Tundra. Students also created a visual showing the layers of the ground in the Tundra.

