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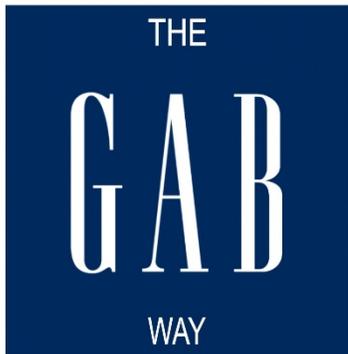
Georgia Academy for the Blind - GAB



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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>



Give it your best  
Achieve your goals  
Be respectful



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

**December 19: Annual Winter Music Program and Art Show with Families!!! Please plan to come, this is the last day of school and students can leave with their family after the Program. Please see the attached flier:**

**December 20-January 3 : Winter Holiday Break**

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

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

**Just a reminder to go see the GAB tree at the Museum of Arts and Sciences. The trees will be on display until January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020.**



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!**

*Please plan to come see :*



**GAB**  
**Christmas**  
**Program**  
**“THE GRINCH”**

**December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**10:00AM**

**Frank Reynolds  
Auditorium**

**PLEASE  
JOIN OUR  
PARENT MENTOR FOR AN  
“IEP BINDER WORKSHOP”  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING  
THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**

Workshop will be held in the Hendricks Building.

Organizing paperwork for the IEP with Tabs in a Binder  
Binders and tabs will be provided. Just bring your paperwork.

**Light Refreshments will be served.**

**Hosted by Jennifer Minter, Parent Mentor**

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### School Climate Star Rating Survey Georgia Parent Survey

**Parents:**

***Your feedback is needed! Please assist the Georgia Academy for the Blind in maintaining our climate star rating. We work to ensure that all our students are educated in a positive and safe environment. Simply scan the QR code above or enter the website to be taken directly to the parent survey. Thank you in advance for your participation!***

QR Code:



Website:

<https://gshs.gadoe.org/parents>

*What is School Climate? "School Climate refers to the quality and character of school life. School Climate is based on patterns of students', parents', and school personnel's experience of school life and reflects norms, goals, values, interpersonal interactions, teaching and learning practices and organizational structures." -National School Climate Center*

# DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

**Joshua 12/5**

**Kaleb 12/11**

**Caiden 12/11**

**Jartavius 12/11**

**Kaiden 12/17**

**Shyann 12/25**

**Seth 12/26**

**Blake 12/29**

**Jermaine 12/29**

**James 12/31**