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.

Mark your Calendars

3/18 - School Council Meeting, Friday at 1:00pm

3/25 - Spring Musical @ 10:30AM in the Auditorium

Rock ’n’ Rolling through the Ages!

3/25 - Spring Art Exhibition

3/28 through 4/1 - Spring Break Holiday

4/9 & 4/10 - Short Course weekend, Soapbox Derby

4/21 through 4/24 - Track & Field SCASB in Jackson, Mississippi

4/15 - School Council Meeting, Friday at 1:00pm

4/18 - Easter Holiday

5/12 - Prom at GAB

5/25 - Graduation at GAB & Last Day of School
Dear GAB Family,

And so it is as Helen Keller said: “We ARE among the privileged.” It is a privilege to be a part of our family and to see our students bloom and grow every day!!! I cannot tell you the super effective teaching and learning we have seen in classes this week! It’s really something to be grateful for and celebrate as we move into the last quarter of school year 2021-2022 and standardized testing season. Watch the calendar to ensure that each student is picture of health for all the spring activities coming on quickly.

In the news this week, please enjoy the pictures that will now become staff parking stickers. We enjoyed a great contest of student art and look what graphic artists we have!

On March 21, 2022, we are ecstatic to welcome back the GAB Way Mrs. Sonya Milam, whom many of you knew as our Parent Mentor. She will join our Student Services Team as a mental health professional providing wrap-around student care with our Parent Mentor, Jennifer Minter and phenomenal counselor, Octavian Burch. Read on to get to know Sonya better!!! She will be a positive and healthy influence for GAB.

Please watch our website www.gabmacon.org for information regarding the State Schools District English Language Arts curriculum selection and roll out for implementation 2022-2023. Your input is invited.

Again, I hope you will attend the spring musical next Friday, March 25, at 10:30 a.m. The program will be spectacular, and many students are excited to be dismissed early when parents come to school. Hint. . .Hint!

Enjoy your weekend and stay safe.

As ever,

Cindy
Decal Art Contest Winners!

GAB faculty are going to be getting some new parking decals. For the first time ever, these will have student artwork on them. We had an art contest to make the decals more interesting and differentiate between parking lots. Art students submitted several designs each, which were usually simple drawings that could be printed on a small plastic decal and hung from a rearview mirror. A committee of judges met and chose the following as our winners:

1st Place: Truck: Ian Bullock (main parking lot)
2nd Place: Rocket: Ambria Tharpe (administrative lot)
3rd Place: UFO: Zaria Bouphah (back lot)
“There’s No Place Like Home!”

Dear GAB students, staff, family, and friends:

After my fifth year of serving our students and families and two years away while I completed graduate school, I find myself back home. I couldn’t be more happy about the “yellow brick road” that has returned me to serve GAB again. I have finished all my required course work at the Mercer University’s School of Medicine’s Masters in Family Therapy Program and am now working on my clinical hours in order to graduate and receive licensure to be a family therapist in Georgia. Through the self-determination and self-advocacy that I learned from GAB, and support and advocacy from Dr. Cindy Gibson, we traveled a winding road making GAB to be one of the community agency placement sites for student interns like myself to obtain their hours.

Beginning March 16, 2022 (the same day in 2014 when I began working at GAB for the first time), I will be collaborating with School Counselor Mr. Burch and Parent Mentor, Jennifer Minter; Mr. Reynolds, teachers and administrators to identify students who might need extra supports in dealing with emotions and behaviors that are standing in their way from thriving in their school, homes, and work. I am available to work with any families seeking the same supports. I am available to work with individuals, couples and families on Sunday afternoons, Mondays, and Tuesdays. We can meet at GAB or through a telehealth/video conference platform. For now, contact me by calling GAB 478.751-6083.

I look forward to reuniting with many of you and meeting many of you for the first time at GAB events.

Sonya C. Milam
The caption reads “Administrative Assistant”, but the key word is “assist”, because that is the daily story for Shirley Bronner, aka Ms. Shirley. From early morning of providing assistance to RA’s and students getting ready for the school day to providing coverage in a classroom or health service as needed, Ms. Shirley is one of the main go to assistant and supporter for students, staff, parents as well as for any partner of customer of GAB. Then, there is that office stuff she does so well. She is reliant and never gives up. If she cannot provide the necessary assistance, she does not stop until she find the appropriate person to provided the requested assistance. You may find her consoling an elementary student who is not sure whether he or she is going to have a good day, a middle schooler who has had a life altering disagreement with his or her best pal, a high schooler who might be dealing with whatever high schoolers deal with at the moment, as well as a staff member or a parent who might need a sounding board. It does not matter the who or what, Ms. Shirley will be there to provide comfort and support. She is truly one of the great assets for GAB. Thank you, Ms. Shirley, for all you do for all of GAB, and “Keep On Rocking”! - Mr. Frank Reynolds
Monday, March 14th students at GAB celebrated Pi Day. Pi Day is celebrated in schools around the US. Pi or approximately 3.14 is the mathematical ratio for the relationship between the circumference of a circle and its diameter. The theme @GAB was Pi-Rate day. It was a play on words for Pi and also for pirate. The high school students learned interesting facts about pi and pirates. They each were given a new pirate name and we’re broken into teams to go for a treasure hunt.

Each team had to create a flag and a create a pirate team name. The treasure hunt took them all over campus solving clues to go from one spot to the next and then solving math problems to get the next clue!! The last clue let them to walk the plank at the pool! The celebration ended with P-I-E and other round snacks followed by a trivia contest in the café Petite. The winning was Green Team aka the Treetop Pierrus.

All teams did a great job, and everyone had a BLAST!!
GAB Families,

Please plan to join us for our Spring Musical on Friday March 25, when students will be going home for Spring Break. Your child can check out early and leave with you after the program.

GEORGIA ACADEMY FOR THE BLIND presents

Rock 'n' Rolling through THE Ages

Spring Program

MARCH 25 @ 10:30

REYNOLDS AUDITORIUM
Almost there....just 100 more box tops needed to reach our goal! For every 100 box tops earned equals $10 for GAB! Thank you!

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GOAL:

1000 Box Tops = $100 Dollars

Have you downloaded your BOX TOPS App???
If not, simply send in your receipts to Ms. Layson and she will scan them for you.
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Assorted Fruits, Milk, and Condiments are served daily.

Students may select up to 2 fruits and 2 vegetables per meal.

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March Birthdays

3/4  Zy  3/23  Harry
3/9  Kameron  3/28  B.J.
3/14  Destiny B.