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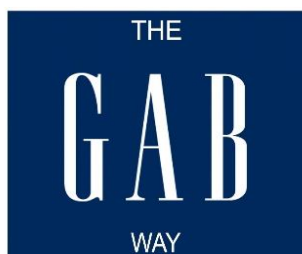


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Mission Statement: The Georgia Academy for the Blind provides quality education services to Georgia's students with visual impairments and/or visual impairments in conjunction with other disabilities to prepare them to achieve their highest level of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



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Be respectful

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Just added or changed*

- *May 11: GAB Summer Program *Eye on the Prize* registration opens (ages 12-21)
- *May 14 : Blue Bell Ice Cream celebration of Mrs. Melanie Thompson as she prepares to compete with 9 other finalists for Georgia Teacher of the Year 2019, 2 pm in courtyard behind the Administration Building and in front of Hendricks Instruction Building
- May 14-18: Milestones' Retests for grades 3, 5 and 8
- May 17: Community Partners Recognition Day 10:30-11:30 am, Media Center
- *May 16: Last day of Work Based Learning
- *May 17: Last day of After School Program
- May 19: State Teacher of the Year selection announcement
- May 23: *CHANGED DATE: Awards 1:15 in gym. Parent/guardian meeting following
- May 24: End of School Festival 9-3 in gym
Middle and High School Talent Show 1-3 in Media Center
- May 24: Project Search Graduation, 4 pm at Navicent Health
- May 25: Graduation, Wesleyan College's Porter Auditorium, 4760 Forsyth Road (3.2 miles west of GAB)
- *May 25: Deadline for Summer Program *Eye on the Prize* (ages 12-21)
- *June 10-15: GAB Summer Program *Eye on the Prize* (ages 12-21) DETAILS PAGE 2

Happy Birthday

Mary Beth ~ May 4
Jordon W ~ May 4
Tyzie ~ May 19
Heidei ~ May 20
Austin ~ May 24

Countdown:



10
More
days
of school!

GIVE US YOUR FEEDBACK! This newsletter is produced by Sonya Milam, Parent Mentor. For news items, suggestions, and resources to share, please contact her at smilam@doe.k12.ga.us, 478-262-3303



Second Notice: FAMILIES OF RISING 9th-12th graders! Advisement for next year's classes has begun. Proposed class lists have been sent home by students. Parents/guardians, please review these classes with your student, sign, and return the form(s) to Mrs. S. Knight. If you have any questions, please contact the school 478-751-6083 extension 1290.

A **NOTE** from Mrs. Holloway **Second Notice**



ATTENTION Parents/Guardians of *Mixed Ensemble* and *Senior Chorus* members!

We will be performing at **Graduation on Friday, May 25 at 11:00 a.m.** Due to unforeseen circumstances, the location of Graduation will be at **Wesleyan College in the Porter Auditorium**, 4760 Forsyth Road, 3.5 miles west of GAB on the left.

Students will be transported to and from the college by bus. **Parents are to check their child out at the school and not take them from the college.** We want to make sure all students are safely and securely transported back to the school after the program. Per Dr. Gibson, if you are signing your child out before the 1:00 p.m. end of the day, sign out in the Hendricks office. See Shirley Bronner and Brittany Jackson.

This is a mandatory performance, and all students will receive credit for the performance.

- Female students are to wear their chorus uniform with their chorus shoes.
- Male students are to wear their chorus uniform. The chorus uniform is provided by the music department **They are to bring their own black dress shoes and black socks.**

The students are very excited about this performance opportunity. Thank you for your patience and your ongoing support to help the students be successful!

Catherine Holloway, Music Director

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Eye's on the Prize

June 10-15, 2018

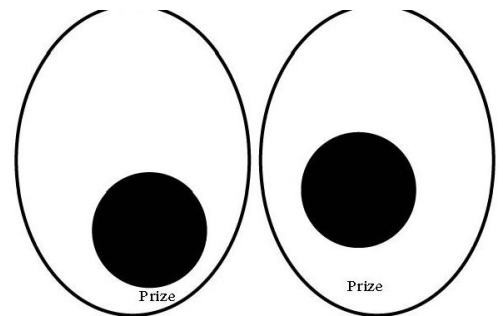
Application Deadline: May 24, 2018 Interested and eligible students are to get application from their case manager

(All applications subject to approval)

\$30.00 registration fee

Eligibility Requirements

- Students must display independent living skills appropriate to their age.
- Students must have the physical, mental, and behavioral capabilities to benefit from the programs offered.
- Students must be between the ages of 12 & 21.



For more information or questions, contact Mrs. Day. Mday@doe.k12.ga.us



Dr. Sinjae Hyun and students from Mercer School of Engineering presented the inaugural 3-D Yearbook, to the seven 2018 graduates of the Georgia Academy for the Blind. Figurines of each student's face in 3-D are mounted to a plaque where the names are inscribed and brailled. This celebration was held at the Georgia Academy for the Blind on Wednesday, May 9, 2018, at 1:30 p.m., in the Hendricks Building.

We are proud to recognize community collaboration and appreciate Dr. Hyun and the Mercer School of Engineering. The GAB Yearbook is the first project of its kind in the world, and a pre-cursor to Dr. Hyun's work with Mercer On Missions in South Korea this summer. Check on the news segment about his grand event here:

<http://wgxa.tv/news/local/georgia-academy-for-the-blind-graduates-get-schools-first-3-d-yearbook>

