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Georgia Academy for the
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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

September 2: Labor Day Holiday

September 8-14 Housekeepers' Appreciation Week

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

October 3-5 Camp Courage (Helen Keller Family Camp), Tuscombia, 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, Art Show and Family Meetings

December 20-January 3: Winter Holidays

January 20: Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

See our completed calendar on our website:

<https://www.gabmacon.org/cms/lib/GA02225912/Centricity/Domain/8/2019-2020%20GAB%20Student%20Calendar.pdf>



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 @ GAB.*

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!**

August Birthdays

Kaden: August 2

Devin: August 2

Logan: August 3

MJ: August 5

Marquan: August 6

Josie: August 25

De"Zereion: August 29

Jesse M. August 30



Did you know that Target now carries a line of adaptive clothing for children? Learn more here:

<https://www.target.com/c/kids-adaptive-clothing/-/N-1laue>

Here is an interesting article about this great initiative and a list of other adaptive clothing providers:

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/innovation/designing-adaptive-clothing-for-those-with-special-needs-180968976/>



Box Tops News! Box Tops are getting a high-tech upgrade. You may get the App form and Google Play. Learn more here: <https://www.today.com/parents/there-s-whole-collect-box-tops-education-t159507>

Despite the change, the original Box Tops aren't quite obsolete yet. You can still send in Box Tops and our student workers will do the rest!



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This Week in Pictures

We are so grateful for the patience and understanding of our staff, students and families while our Hendricks building's air-conditioning undergoes repair. A special thanks to our maintenance department for helping some of our classes relocate and for providing us with fans and to our nutrition department for the refreshing watering stations. Shown here is the fan that Mrs. Thompson's high school students equipped with a creative and functioning costume. Meet AC Slater!

