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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.**

## Mark your Calendars

8/2 - First Day of School

9/5 - Labor Day Holiday

10/11 through 10/14 - Fall Break Week



**Smokey Powell staff  
located in cottage C2**

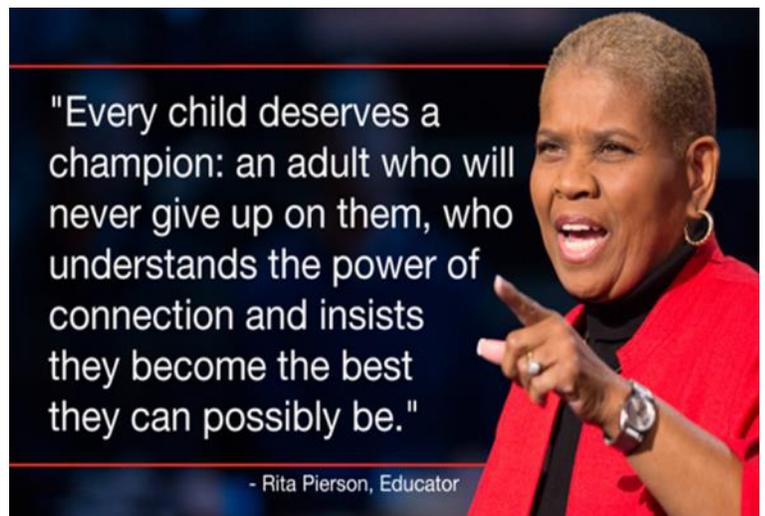


# A message from our Superintendent

The GAB Way is defined in the 2022-2023 mantra “Creating a Brighter Future by Working Together!” The pictures in this newsletter show our commitment to work together to focus on every child with academic literacy and all manner of wrap-around services to serve the whole child! It is our pleasure to serve all of you, and we especially welcome 11 new families to the fold. It is the GAB purpose to meet every child where they are and lead them to attain student achievement and independence to their highest potential.

Thank you for working with us.

-Dr. Cindy Gibson

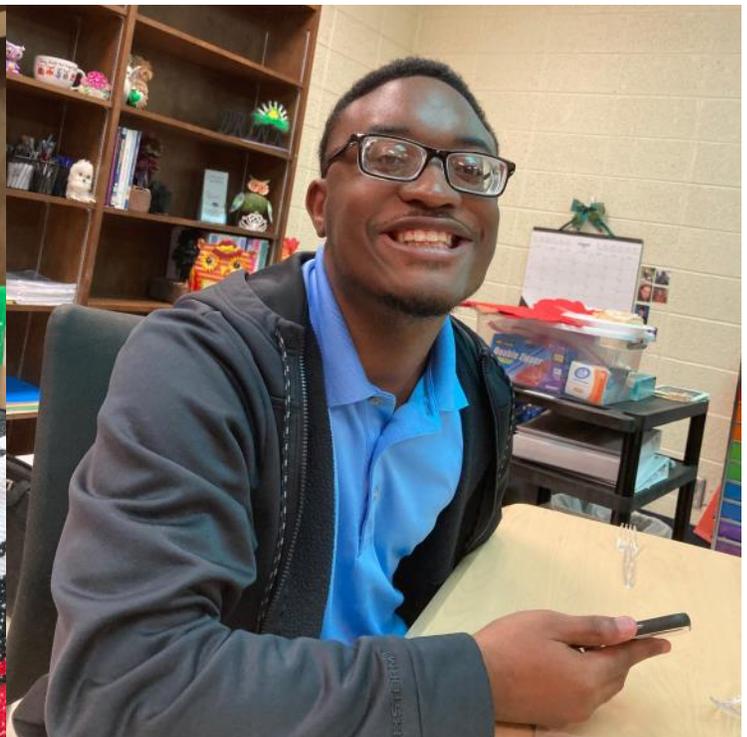






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## Interns for 2022-23



# Starting off on the right foot



I just wanted to share a couple of pictures of our related services team doing chart reviews, scheduling, and preparing to work with our students. Mrs. Hotchkiss, our Physical Therapist, said it best, "We need to know where the students are coming from, so we will know where they need to go." Even Kirby was hard at work making sure that B. Neil was putting the therapy chairs together the correct way 😊.

Welcome to a wonderful year and remember to let your purpose be your guide for this year!

-Ms. Alicia Jackson, Principal of Transition





## Field Trip on the 2nd day back to school !



**Mrs. Applebee didn't waste any time exposing high art students to real word experiences. They took a field trip to the Macon Art Alliance tactile exhibit on just the second day of school! Artists, Sophia Tang (of Stratford Academy) and Esha Panse (of Georgia Tech) were there to discuss with the students how they chose ways to make masterpieces from art history accessible to people who are blind. Their show was called Touchable Perception and included pieces by students from Central High School, Academy for Classical Education, Mercer, Georgia Tech, and Stratford Academy. Some of the artists are even willing to donate their work to Georgia Academy for the Blind so that all of us can experience visual ART!**



# August Birthdays

8/2 Devin 8/20 Karma

8/3 Logan A. 8/25 Josie

8/3 Justice 8/29 Rickoy

8/5 MJ 8/30 Emily

8/30 Jesse



Justice