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Knight News

- All the news you need to be in the know!

Important Dates

Labor Day Holiday Mon., Sept. 1

Back to School Night/PTSA Meeting Tues., Sept. 9 @ 6:00 pm

> **Principal Coffee** Thurs., Sept. 11 @ 8:45 am

> **Talent Show** Thurs., Sept. 11 @ 7:00 pm

Teacher Appreciation Lunch Fri., Sept. 12 @11:30 am

Liberal Arts Night Mon., Sept. 15 @ 6:00pm

Music Midtown Fri. and Sat., Sept. 19 - 20

Please see full calendar on pg. 7

Stay in Touch

Go to the **Infinite Campus Parent Portal** for student schedules, attendance, and grades. The web address for the Parent Portal is https://ic.apsk12.org/ campus/portal/atlanta.jsp. Site Activation Key: Email Mr. Montero at bmontero@atlanta.k12.ga.us.

The **GradyGram** e-newsletter is sent weekly during the school year. Sign up online at Grady's website. Send current Grady news to gradygram@hotmail.com by Thursday at 5:00 p.m. for the following week's edition.



Grady PTSA Facebook Page

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Letter from the Principal

Since my arrival on July 1st, I have truly felt welcomed by the Grady Community. It has been very busy, but I have enjoyed speaking with students, staff and parents to determine what is going well at Grady and how we need to improve as a school community. In our first month of school, the faculty has begun working in Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) by subject area and grade level. Through weekly planning meetings, learning teams collaboratively develop lesson plans, analyze student data, plan appropriate interventions and enrichment, and design common assessments. Grady staff members are working collegially each day, with a collective commitment to student success.

We have many new staff members this school year. Grady administrators worked diligently in the spring and summer to identify outstanding educators for our vacancies. I am excited to welcome these new team members to the Grady community, and I am confident that they will help the school become even stronger—per our school motto, "Individually we are different. Together we are Grady."

Now that school is well underway, please check that your student has a course syllabus for every class, and knows the day, time and location of after-school tutorials for all core subject areas and foreign languages. This should be a component of the course syllabi. However, if you do not see this information, please contact the Department Chairpersons/Lead Teachers: Mathematics - Ms. Linda Brasher - Ibrasher@atlanta.k12.ga.us Science - Dr. Jormell Cofield - jbcofield@atlanta.k12.ga.us Social Science - Mr. R. Lee Pope - rpope@atlanta.k12.ga.us Language Arts/English – TBD Fine Arts - Mr. John Brandhorst - jbrandhorst@atlanta.k12.ga.us Foreign Language - Mr. Scott Allen - scallen@atlanta.k12.ga.us

If you wish to schedule a conference with your student's teachers, please contact the counselors:

BS&E - Ms. Nicole Hines – nhines@atlanta.k12.ga.us 404-802-3018 B&E - Mr. Lamar Young - lyoung@atlanta.k12.ga.us 404-802-3019 C&J - Ms. Elizabeth Murray (until Oct. 1) – elizabethm@atlanta.k12.ga.us Dr. Shaketha Blankenship (after Oct. 1) - sblankenship@atlanta.k12.ga.us 404-802-3052

L&L - Ms. Sheila Oliver - soliver@atlanta.k12.ga.us 404-802-3020

Matters related to discipline issues, attendance concerns and cell phone violations should be brought to the attention of the assistant principals: Mr. Rodney Howard - rdhoward@atlanta.k12.ga.us 404-802-3011 Dr. David Propst - dpropst@atlanta.k12.ga.us 404-802-3011

If you need any additional assistance, you can contact me at tguiney@atlanta.k12.ga.us or by phone at 404-802-3009.

Timothy J. Guiney Principal

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Grady High School Pathway Updates

Biomedical Science & Engineering Pathway

September is an exciting time because student schedules are finalized and teachers are engaged in their lessons and the standards students should know. This year, we expect our teachers to submit at least one grade per week. This will help to keep parents and students informed about progress.

At the close of the 2013-2014 school year, the state of Georgia cut the fourth-year class for both biomedical science and engineering. Each of these classes offered an internship opportunity. Although we are disappointed in this change, we have re-evaluated our program and made the following changes to give our students a more enriching experience.

- Moving our engineering applications class from the dance studio to a new lab that includes 30 new workstations.
- Creating a dedicated engineering workroom with minor equipment and tools for student use. The biomedical science classes will continue with more labs for our 9th graders as well as prepare for the annual health fair and Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) competitions.

As always, we thank parents for your support. We are looking forward to a great month of creativity, teaching and learning.

Raymond L. Dawson, Pathway Leader: rdawson@atlanta.k12.ga.us

Business & Entrepreneurship Pathway

We are excited to announce that the students in the B&E Pathway will have a chance to participate with the Finance and Scholastic Training (FAST-Track) Program. This is a rigorous nine month program that exposes talented minority students to the financial services industry. Beginning in September, students meet with mentors twice a month and focus on development in areas related to stocks, bonds, personal finance, business, operations, and real estate. They also explore resume writing, interviewing, networking, business etiquette, public speaking, and have opportunities to visit financial and educational institutions. Our B&E support staff this year is as follows: Tony Davis, badavis@atlanta.k12.ga.us, Marketing/Fashion Marketing; James Dunton, jdunton@atlanta.k12.ga.us, Sports/ Entertainment; Marlon Pilson, mpilson@atlanta.k12.ga.us, Business; Valerie Williams, vkwilliams@atlanta.k12.ga.us Fashion Instructor; Lamar Young, ljyoung@atlanta.k12.ga.us, Guidance Counselor. We are looking forward to an awesome year.

Willie Vincent, Pathway Leader: wmvincent@atlanta.k12.ga.us

Communications & Journalism Pathway

Tap into Grady High School by reading and viewing the various publications and broadcast programs produced by students in the C&J pathways. To purchase subscriptions to *The Southerner* newspaper or *Nexus*, Grady's magazine of art and culture, please contact Mr. Winter at dwinter@atlanta.k12.ga.us, or speak with any publication staff member.

It's not too late to get a copy of Grady's other publications from last school year. If you'd like a copy of the *Orator*, Grady's yearbook, please contact Dr. Presley at cpresley@atlanta.k12.ga.us. To purchase a copy of *The Unmasking*, Grady's literary magazine, please contact Mr. Needham at npneedham@atlanta.k12.ga.us.

You can view Grady News Now (GNN) and Gametime, Grady's broadcast programs, from the link on the Grady website: http://www.atlanta.k12.ga.us/Domain/3087 -Pathways - Communication and Journalism Pathways - left side of page "GNN/Gametime."

This year, the C&J instructional team includes Riki Bolster (10th grade print journalism and *The Southerner*), Nalin Needham (*The Unmasking*), Christal Presley (9th grade Writers Workshop and *Orator*), Thaddeus Roberts (broadcast/video production), David Winter (*The Southerner* and *Nexus*), Trisha Kendall (digital design and graphic design) and Paul Nicolson (graphic production and *Orator*). C&J students take their language arts, science, social science, mathematics, foreign language, PE and other elective classes with students from the other pathways.

Elizabeth Murray is currently serving as the Guidance Counselor for students in C&J and she can be reached at elizabethm@atlanta.k12.ga.us. Carrie MacBrien serves as the C&J Pathway Administrator.

Carrie MacBrien, Pathway Leader: cmacbrien@atlanta.k12.ga.us 404-802-3015

Law & Investigation Pathway

The L&I Pathway teachers at Grady would like to recognize some of the partnerships in which their students had the opportunity to participate during the summer. These partnerships provide excellent exposure to the legal system for our students. Many thanks to Judge Bowden and Attorney Barbour for their efforts in connecting students to these organizations.

- The Junior Deputy Clerk Summer Internship Program: Non-paid internship designed to expose high school students to careers in local government. Interns receive hands-on experience, interviewing skills and career development.
- The Fulton County District Attorney's office: Opportunities for students to work directly with attorneys and staff.
- The Emory University School of Law Center for Advocacy & Dispute Resolution: Teaches students trial techniques

during a semester-long program focusing on oral advocacy. Second-year students also participate in mock jury trials.

• The Gate City Bar Association's Justice Robert Benham Law Camp: Exposes minority students in Atlanta to the field of law. Students are exposed to practicing minority lawyers and judges, and given an opportunity to learn more about four legal institutions, such as state and superior courts, the Georgia Supreme Court and Georgia Court of Appeals.

Other partnerships include the State Bar of Georgia Diversity Program with Atlanta's John Marshall School of Law and the Leadership Institute for Women of Color Attorneys.

If you would like to support the law curriculum at Grady to enhance our students' educational experiences, please feel free to contact Attorney Calethea Barbour: cbarbour@atlanta.k12.ga.us with the Criminal Investigations Pathway or Judge Bowden: hjbowden@atlanta.k12.ga.us with the Application of the Law Pathway.

Russell Plasczyk, Pathway Leader: rplasczyk@atlanta.k12.ga.us

Counselors' Corner

Dual Enrollment

The Renaissance, Grady's on-site dual enrollment program, began fall classes August 18 in the JROTC building. The courses offered this semester are English Comp 1101 and College Psychology 1111. The following students were accepted for the fall cohort: **Salome Araya, David Crooms, Danielle Ford, Kamarria Holland, Talia Lockridge, Trenton Lopata, Casey Manders, Quantaya McCloud, Preston Persons, Lia Pett, Roderick Smith, Jennifer Steckl** and **Lynsey Tiller.**

Graduation Information Night

The Guidance Department hosts its annual Graduation Information Night for 9th and 10th graders Thursday, September 25 at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria or theater. Parents and students will hear important information specifically for these two grade levels about milestone assessments, Grady's academic pathways, community service, scheduling, and the College and Career Center.

Grady at Governor's Honors Program

A healthy handful of Grady students were selected for the 2014 Georgia Governor's Honors Program (GHP). GHP is a four-week residential instructional program for gifted and talented rising high school juniors and seniors that takes place each summer on the campus of Valdosta State University. More than 2,800 students from across the state interviewed or auditioned last winter to compete for spots.

Grady's 2014 finalists were: **Keegan Hasson, Lucia Lombardo** and **Molly Looman,** Communicative Arts;

Nathanael Pate and Henry Persons, Mathematics; Uzuki Kakinuma, Music; Margaret Stockdale, Social Studies; Jefferson Martin, Technology; and Mia Panarites, Theatre Design.

Liberal Arts College Night

Admissions representatives from Amherst College, Middlebury College, Wellesley College and Wesleyan University will discuss the benefits of attending a liberal arts college, the holistic admissions review process, and how to apply for financial aid. Hear tips on submitting a successful college application from the representative who may read your application!

Date: Monday, September 15, 2015 Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Where: Grady High School, Murray Auditorium Featuring: Sara Cohen, Asst. Dean of Admission, Amherst College; Brittany Carlson, Admission Counselor, Middlebury College; Erike Blauth, Admission Counselor, Wellesley College; Sydney Lewis, Asst. Dean of Admission, Wesleyan University RSVP: http://tinyurl.com/qezzaz2 Questions: Contact Sydney Lewis at salewis@wesleyan.edu

Parent Center News

Grady's Parent Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. in Room C116 (across the hall from the Discipline Office). The center runs parent meetings, workshops, and conferences. Please contact Grady's parent liaison, Jackie Marable, at 404-802-3017 or jamarable@atlanta.k12.ga.us with any questions.

Coming up, the first annual Title I Meeting will take place Tuesday, September 16 at 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in the Parent Center.

Parents, please make sure you and your child have received and signed the 2014 - 15 School - Home Compact. Return this document to your child's Advisement Teacher or to Ms. Marable in the Parent Center (C116).

Grady Science Support Team

Now more than ever, a solid science education matters. We invite you to join Grady's Science Support Team and help ensure the highest quality science education across all pathways at our school. Visit the Science Support Team website (atlanta.k12.ga.us/Page/35075) for web-based resources to help students with homework and projects, and interesting science news and enrichment activities. The page also lists volunteer, internship and summer employment opportunities. And "like" our science advocacy page on Facebook (facebook.com/GradyScienceSupportTeam) to see more science-related news and resources. The Grady Science Support Team is a great way to connect with other parents, students and teachers with a passion for

science. To get involved, email Lynette Slovensky at Islovensky@earthlink.net or Cindy Hulbert at petehulb@yahoo.com.

College and Career Center News

For information on Saturday community college classes, college tours and parent college tours, please visit gradycollegevisitninfo2014-15.weebly.com/college-tours.html. Permission forms are available from the CCC. There are no requirements for parents. Parents can RSVP at gradycollegevisitninfo2014-15.weebly.com/saturday-classes.html.



Writing Center News

The Writing Center operates Monday - Thursday, 3:30 p.m. -6:00 p.m. inside the Media Center, for one-on-one assistance with any writing project. In addition to excellent volunteers, the Writing Center has resources such as writing guides, notebooks of sample essays and resumes, and books on writing.

All juniors must pass the GGT Writing Test, so the Writing Center will present several **GGT Writing Test Workshops**. The next session is planned for Wednesday, September 3, with two GGT practice sessions on September 9 and 17, before juniors take the test September 24.

The Writing Center kicked off the year with a **college essay workshop** August 27. More workshops will be scheduled (watch the GradyGram). Seniors are encouraged to come to the Writing Center for one-on-one assistance on their college entrance essays. We had a successful year last year with students who came for assistance passing the GGT Writing Test and receiving scholarships.

Check out our ongoing contest of **First Lines of Novels** for on-the-spot prizes as well as cumulative prizes for frequent winners. Watch the GradyGram for announcements of **writing contests** for all students – poetry, short stories, personal essays, graphic fiction.

We invite all parents and community members to join the **Book Club** (for adults only), which meets every third Monday of the month at members' homes. On October 20 we will choose the next six selections, to include fiction, nonfiction and classic novels. Come help choose and then begin your reading. See the GradyGram or contact Riki Bolster at gradywritingcenter@gmail.com for more information.



Greetings Grady Community, We hope your school year has gotten off to a great start! We wanted to take a moment to share some things with you as we begin this new year.

The PTSA Executive Committee has adopted the motto, "GROWING GRADY" for this school year. We want to support our GROWING GRADY campaign by increasing parent engagement and encouraging diversity, improving communication and refining/enhancing our fundraising processes. We also want to take a look at our PTSA structure and develop a plan to help keep us relevant and able to fully support the changing needs of Grady High School. Starting with the Open House Night on September 9, we will begin monthly PTSA General Meetings. All are invited to attend and hear what is going on at Grady. The meetings will be posted on the Grady calendar and in *Knights Lights* and the GradyGram. We welcome and encourage teachers, students and parents to join the PTSA and support our school.

We are also striving to put the "S" back in the PTSA by encouraging student leaders from the Student Government Association (SGA) to take an active role in our PTSA. With Mr. McCurdy's help, our long-standing faculty representative and also the new advisor for the SGA, we hope to have some SGA students working with us by October.

Also, be on the lookout for our PTSA fall fundraising lottery meeting, which will be scheduled soon. As always, all Grady academic clubs are welcome to join us and receive a day to fundraise in our parking lots in the fall. Until our new Athletic Director is hired, our Vice Principals, Dr. Propst and Mr. Howard, will manage the sports fundraising schedule for the athletic lot. Also, to more equitably serve all of Grady, we are planning to work with the Grady Administration Team to further develop the parking lot fundraising policies and procedures. We're not ready to start that work yet, but will let everyone know when the process begins, as we want to have input from teachers, students and parents alike.

Lastly, thanks to all who have already joined the PTSA! We're off to a great start! We will be offering memberships at the September 9 Open House, so we hope you'll join the PTSA if you haven't done so already. If you have any questions or a great idea to share, we would love to hear from you: GradyKnightsPTSA@gmail.com.

Your Grady PTSA Executive Committee, Mr. Guiney, Christa, Erlese, Larissa, Laura, Mary Lynn and Melissa

Program for Exceptional Children & Special Education Committee

According to its mission statement, the 2014 - 15 Grady High School PTSA Special Needs Committee for Inclusion "is dedicated to building strong partnerships among students, teachers, parents, administration and the community to support exceptional students with special needs and/or learning differences, including students with disabilities receiving special education services. By collaborating to increase awareness and understanding of learning differences within our community, we work together to support the full potential of every student for college and career readiness and to promote a culture of diversity, acceptance and inclusion for all students at Grady High School."

More information about PEC/Special Education at Grady and the PTSA Special Needs Committee for Inclusion will be on the Grady website soon, as will a calendar of parent coffees, workshops and events for the school year. We urge you to get involved! Contact this year's Special Education lead teacher, Ms. Leslie (404-802-3001,

aleslie@atlanta.k12.ga.us) or the committee co-chairs, Grady parents Sherri Caldwell, sherri@caldwellfive.com and Laura Cohen, laurac@mindspring.com.

Local School Council

Welcome to our two newest LSC members: Mr. Mario Herrera, teacher representative, seat 7; and Ms. Jennifer Kimball, Educational Outreach and Residency Coordinator, Office of the Arts at Georgia Tech, business partner representative, seat 9.

2014-2015 meeting dates: 9/15, 10/20, 11/17, 12/15, 1/12, 2/9, 3/9, 4/13 and 5/11. All meetings are Mondays at 4:00 p.m.in the CCC, room C224. Parents, teachers, students, and other community members are always welcome to attend. Approved minutes from previous meetings are available on the LSC pages of the Grady website: http://www.atlanta.k12.ga.us/domain/3130. Please contact GradyLSC@gmail.com with questions, comments or for further information.

Ways to Stay In Touch

Stay informed about school news and events by liking Grady's student publications on Facebook. You'll catch every new story post if you like *The Southerner* at facebook.com/GradySoutherner and *Nexus* magazine at facebook.com/nexus.ghs. Ensure that you never miss a print edition by subscribing to one or both publications, at thesoutherneronline.com/frontpage/?page_id=2706 and nexusmagazineonline.com/subscribe-to-nexus.



Council of Intown Neighborhoods & Schools

CINS is working to put together a series of informative monthly community meetings for the 2014 - 15 school year. Please check the GradyGram for the dates and places of the upcoming meetings and plan to attend. CINS is a not-forprofit organization that has worked since 1978 to empower public schools in our cluster located in the heart of Atlanta, Georgia. The CINS mission is to work with Atlanta Public Schools to foster safe, quality education in the Grady cluster of schools. For more on CINS and its mission, please visit cinsatlanta.org. To become a member or add your name to the email list, click on "join."

Junior Class Fees

You can pay your junior class fees in Room E212 any weekday morning (9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.) or afternoon (3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.). Bring cash or money order payable to Henry W. Grady High School. Or pay online at the Grady website. The sooner you pay, the lower the fee.

- Until September 5: \$75
- September 6-November 21: \$90
- November 22 and later: \$100
- Last two weeks before the prom: \$120

Add \$50 for each guest to the prom. Remember: No fees will be collected at the door the day of prom. There is a \$100 charge for seniors with unpaid junior fees.

Introducing Grady Football Spirit "Knights"

The Grady Football Booster Club, in partnership with the Grady PTSA, announces the kickoff of a new football season by introducing Grady Football Spirit Knights at some home football games. On those nights (knights), we will invite Grady feeder schools to attend, and will recognize them at the game. The first Spirit Knight was held August 23, when Grady played Washington. We invited families from Springdale Park Elementary and Intown Academy. This is all done in the spirit of bringing the community together and enjoying an evening out at Grady Stadium with the incredible Midtown skyline as the backdrop. Here's the September Spirit Knight schedule:

- Friday, Sept. 12, 8:00 p.m.: Redan at Grady (Lin and Hope-Hill)
- Saturday, Sept. 27, 7:30 p.m.: St. Pius X at Grady (Morningside and Centennial)

• Friday, Oct. 17, 8:00 p.m.: Marist at Grady, Homecoming (Inman)

For more information, check the GradyGram or email Kelly Bray, Grady Gridiron Booster Club co-president, at kelly.bray@gmail.com. Thanks for your support, and *Go*, *Knights*!

Grady G3 Robotics

Congratulations to Grady Robotics

Three Grady High School robotics team members and their engineering mentor were selected as finalists for the 2014 Drone Prize sponsored by Intel. **Isabelle Carson, Sajjad Ali** and **Gabriel Kupersmith** worked with mentor Gardner Chambliss over the summer. Together they developed a project proposal for MARTA to use unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs or drones) as part of their safety, security and maintenance programs. Their work with MARTA inspired them to submit a video entry for the national Drone Prize. As finalists, the team traveled to Portland, Oregon on August 22 at Innovation Day and won both the People's Choice Award and second place at the 2014 Drone Prize. As part of their awards, they brought home two new UAVs. The drones will be featured in a halftime show later this fall during a Grady football game. Way to go team!

Questions? Contact Coach Andrew Nichols at phi.naught@gmail.com or booster president Wendy Kavanagh at wendykone@gmail.com.

Orchestra News

Over the summer, sophomore cellist **Mason Johnston** was named grand prize winner for the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra's 2014 Next Generation Student Composition Contest. His winning composition, *Dominus* for Solo Violin and String Orchestra, inspired by the moon, was selected unanimously by the judges. It will be performed on the Atlanta Symphony's Concerts for Young People series this year, to be attended by about 10,000 local students.

In other news, Atlanta Symphony Orchestra violinist Kenn Wagner visited the school on on August 11 and 12 to lead master classes with the Grady Orchestra. Kenn has been a member of the symphony since 1994, and it was an honor to welcome him to work with the school's string players.

ATLanta Frisbee Teams Win Big!

Congrats to the AFDC's (Atlanta Flying Disc Club) Juniors teams that competed in the 10th Annual USA Ultimate Youth Club Championships (YCC), a nationwide Ultimate Frisbee tournament held in Minnesota, Aug 9-10, 2014. Sixty-two teams comprised of 1200 athletes competed across five divisions for the largest tournament ever. Atlanta's teams were comprised of players from Atlanta area and Nashville schools.

Atlanta's U-19 Boys team, ATLiens, finished 3rd in the country with an impressive 4-1 record, losing in the semifinals by just one point.

Former/current Grady frisbee players included **Chris Brown**, **Chris Carson**, **Sebastian DiFrancesco** (co-captain), **Michael Dillard**, **Riley Erickson**, **Vincent James**, **Griffin Kish**, **Noah Li**, and **Josh Weinstock**.

Atlanta's U-19 Girls team, cATLanta, including Grady players **Sally Cummings, Eavan Hendry,** and **Mazie Switzer**), won the coveted Girls U-19 Spirit Award and placed 10th in the country. It was the first year that Atlanta sent a U-19 Girls team to the tournament and they took home an exciting win over the South Dakota Angels (10-5). Coaches included Emily Lloyd (Grady Girls coach).

Atlanta's U-16 Boys team, ATLas, giving up no more than four points in their first four games, made it to the semifinals and finished 3rd in the country; the team also came in 2nd in Spirit. Players included Grady students **Drew DiFrancesco** (co-captain), **Mack Hodges** (co-captain), **Jack Paddock, John Roorbach** and **Theodore Sifnaios**; and from Inman Middle School, **Aidan Downey**. Coaches included Haley Reese (Grady HS Girls coach) and Paddi White (Inman MS coach).

In order to tryout for YCC 2015, high school players must participate in an AFDC Fall League. Check here for details: http://www.afdc.com/juniors/

Attendance Factoids: Did you know...

- Unexcused absences may lead to punitive and/or legal action against the student and/or parents/guardians.
- Students can ONLY be dismissed early if their parent is present.
- School begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m. You are tardy if you are not <u>in class</u> by 8:30 a.m.
- A student will be denied the opportunity to obtain a driver's license or learner's permit if they have 10 or more unexcused all day absences.
- If you are absent, you have 3 days to provide an excuse for your absence.
- There are no student check-outs before 9:00 a.m. or after 2:30 p.m.
- The attendance office is located in the Cafeteria, next to the Library.

September Dates To Remember Keep this Page Handy & Check the Website Weekly

Date	Activity	Location
1 - Sept., Mon.	Labor Day	No School
3 - Sept., Wed. 3:30 pm	Writing Center Presents: GHSGT Writing Test Workshop	Media Center
4 - Sept., Thurs. 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	SAT Success Prep Class - Dates: Sept. 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, 25, 29 Oct. 2, 6, 9 for October 11 SAT	Room C303
8 - Sept., Mon. thru 10 – Sept., Wed. 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Talent Show Rehearsal	Murray Auditorium
8 – Sept., Mon.	Knight Lights submission deadline	
9 - Sept., Tues. 3:30 pm – 5:30 pm	Writing Center Presents: GHSGT Writing Test Practice	Media Center
9 - Sept., Tues. 6:00 pm	PTSA General Meeting and Back to School Night	Murray Auditorium/Campus
11 - Sept., Thurs. 8:45 am	Principal Coffee	Murray Auditorium Lobby
11 - Sept., Thurs. 7:00 pm	Talent Show	Murray Auditorium
12 - Sept., Fri. 11:30 am - 2:00 pm	Teacher Appreciation Luncheon	Murray Auditorium Lobby
13 - Sept., Sat. 8:00 am	ACT Test Date	
13 - Sept., Sat. 10:00 am	Saturday Community College Lessons for Parents and Students: Why Your GPA Matters	Cafeteria
15 - Sept., Mon. 3:30 pm	Drama Club Meeting	Black Box Theater
15 - Sept., Mon. 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Liberal Arts College Night	Murray Auditorium
16 - Sept., Tues. 10:00 am & 5:00 pm	Title 1 Meeting	Parent Center
17 - Sept., Wed. 9:50 am - 10:50 am	SGA Election	Advisement
17 - Sept., Wed. 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Writing Center Presents: GHSGT Writing Test Practice	Media Center
18 - Sept., Thurs. 4:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Last Day for Senior Pictures on Campus	Cafeteria
19 - Sept., Fri. & 20 - Sept., Sat.	Music Midtown - PTSA Parking Lot Fundraiser	Piedmont Park
19 - Sept., Fri. 8:30 am	HOSA Blood Drive	Murray Auditorium Lobby
20 - Sept., Sat.	Last Day for Senior Pictures at Cady Studios	Cady Studios
24 - Sept., Wed. 8:30 am - 12:30 pm	Underclassmen Yearbook Picture Retakes	Murray Auditorium Lobby

Tear off and keep for reference.

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