



[ Word of the Week: **GENEROSITY** ]

<b>December 13</b>	<b>Blessings in a Backpack, GES</b>	5:30pm
<b>December 14</b>	<b>SGA Tacky Christmas Sweater Day</b> 1st-6th period classes, then <b>7th period semester exam</b> <b>Basketball at Brewer</b> (5 games/2 gyms) <b>Handel's Messiah</b> , GHS auditorium	4:00/4:30/5:15/6:00/7:30pm 7:00pm
<b>December 15</b>	<b>Basketball vs Brewer</b> at home <b>Handel's Messiah</b> , GHS auditorium	1:00/2:15/3:30/5:00/6:30pm 7:00pm
<b>December 16</b>	<b>Handel's Messiah</b> , GHS auditorium	2:00pm
<b>December 17-20</b>	<b>Semester Exams</b> (see article below)	
<b>December 18</b>	<b>Basketball vs Boaz</b> at home (GMS/GHS)	4:00/4:30/5:15/6:00/7:30pm

#### ATHLETICS

**Support the GHS Athletic Booster Club!** Thanks to your support, the Athletic Booster Club was able to give almost \$100,000 last year to support Guntersville athletic teams as well as fund scholarships for student-athletes. For info about membership and great advertising options, click on this link: [Booster Club Information](#)

#### CLUB NEWS

If you ordered **Nothing Bundt bundtlet cakes** from FBLA, they will be delivered next Tuesday, December 18.

ODK members are selling **St. Jude's bracelets** for \$2 to support free cancer care at St. Jude's.

**HOSA is selling Rada Cutlery.** These products are reasonably priced, guaranteed, and made in the USA! To order, see any HOSA member or email the HOSA sponsor, Hanna Bright, at [hannabright@gcboe.net](mailto:hannabright@gcboe.net).



**Help the GHS Crimson Guard Get to Philadelphia!** The GHS band has been invited to march in the 100th annual Philadelphia Thanksgiving Parade next November. More than **100** GHS marching band members are expected to make the trip, so the band needs to raise \$13,000 for additional uniforms and funds for the bus to Pennsylvania.

#### *The University of Alabama*

UA has lowered scholarship requirements for in-state students! Students with a 21 ACT and a 3.5 GPA will receive \$2,000/year for a 4-year total of \$8,000 if they meet UA's deadlines. (The UA scholarship deadline is Saturday, Dec. 15.) In-state students can still apply for other UA scholarships; this is the automatic merit scholarship. For a full list of merit scholarships, visit <https://scholarships.ua.edu/types/in-state.php>. Students with a 30 ACT and 3.5 GPA will receive *full tuition* for 4 years if they meet the deadlines. Engineering students with a 30 ACT and a 3.5 GPA will get \$2,500/yr for 4 years--on top of their full tuition. See Ms. Kee for the UA application waiver form.



**Samford University McWhorter School of Pharmacy** is offering a one-week pharmacy camp this summer for high school students interested in a pharmacy career. Space is limited so apply *early!* The deadline to apply is **Feb. 1, 2019.** Go to <https://www.samford.edu/pharmacy/bulldog-pharmacy-camp> for information and applications.

**GUNTERSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL**  
**AP Bulletin for Parents and Students**

"Students who take AP courses send a signal to colleges that they're serious about their education and that they're willing to challenge themselves with rigorous coursework." --Trevor Packer



**2018-2019**

**Reminders!**

- Sign up for AP Remind: @3ecg38
- May Exams are \$94 each and can be paid to Kim Shiflett now.
- Students who qualify for free or reduced lunch pay \$45 per exam.

**WHY AP?**

**Be CHALLENGED**  
**HONE CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS**  
**IMPROVE COMPOSITION**  
**ARRIVE AT COLLEGE BETTER PREPARED**  
**EARN COLLEGE CREDIT**  
**SAVE MONEY**

**Good News**

Remember that 10 points will be added to semester averages for each AP class completed.

**FOCUS POINT**

**Growth vs. Grades**  
**Developing a growth mindset is key to AP success.**

When students believe they can get smarter, they understand that effort makes them stronger. Therefore, they put in extra time and effort, and that leads to higher achievement.

**Looking Ahead**

Students must attend May Exam pre-registration session in MARCH to complete required paperwork '19-20 Registration will begin soon.

You must have a teacher recommendation to take an AP course next year.

**Alabama Association of School Office Personnel (AASOP) Scholarships.** Any senior planning to go into business or education may apply for one of four \$1,000 scholarships offered. The rules and regulations are:

1. Must be pursuing a degree from the college of business or a degree in K-12 education at an accredited ALABAMA school, college, or university.
2. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of scholastic record and financial need.
3. An application is required, along with a recent photograph, a personal letter stating your financial need for the scholarship, your high school transcript, and a letter or recommendation from someone in your school (principal, teacher, or counselor), and 2 letters from wither a pastor, church leader, employer or someone in the community. the application can be found on ALL SENIORS Google Classroom page. The due date is FEBRUARY 1, 2019.

### **Smith Family Scholarship**

The Smith Scholarship Foundation will accept applications until **January 7, 2019** for their scholarships. They provide money *and* assistance to Seniors who have given back to their community through volunteer activities or caring for family while overcoming personal challenges. [Click here for more information](#)

### **Linly Heflin Scholarship, \$6,000 for up to 4 years**

Linly Heflin scholarship applications can be found online at [www.linlyheflin.org](http://www.linlyheflin.org). The deadline is **January 10, 2019**. Applicants must have *significant economic need*, sound academic records, ACT scores of at least 23, and be Alabama residents and U.S. citizens.

**Alabama Teachers Credit Union** is offering 4 (\$3,000) scholarships to students in North Alabama. Visit [atcu.com](http://atcu.com) for an application and official rules. The following requirements must be met:

1. Must be an Alabama Teachers Credit Union member in good standing, and your **ATCU** account must have been opened for at least six (6) months prior to application.
2. GPA must be 2.0 or higher
3. One-page essay is required

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### ❖ **Tardiness = late arrival or early departure**

❖ Students who arrive to school between 7:45am and 8:12am are **tardy to school**.

❖ After the third tardy to school in a 9-week grading period, the parent/guardian may have to come to the GHS office with the student to sign in their child.

❖ Students with seven *unexcused* tardies to school in a semester may not exempt semester exams.

❖ After **three (3) tardies to class** in a 9-week grading period, students will be required to attend before school detention and/or lunch detention.

❖ **If a check-in or out means missing more than half a class, it will count as an absence from the class.** Parents must provide doctor or home notes for check-ins/outs for the absence to be excused.

❖ Doctor's notes faxed to school must be sent *directly* from the doctor's office to our fax: **256-582-4742**.

❖ Home notes used for check-ins and check-outs count toward the 6 home notes allowed per year.

attendance  
**MATTERS**

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## **SEMESTER EXAM SCHEDULE**

**Tomorrow, December 14, is considered a regular school day and attendance will be taken.** To provide enough time for the 7th period exam, 6th period will be shortened. The bell schedule will be as follows:

- 6th Period: 1:05 pm - 1:35pm
- 7th Period Exam: 1:38 pm - 3:00pm

**Students who are exempt from their 7th period exam will be allowed to leave campus when the bell rings at 1:35pm.** All students remaining on campus should report to their 7th period class.

**1st Semester Exams – All students**

December 14th – Semester exam review; 7th period exam

December 17th – 1st/2nd period exams

December 18th – 3rd/4th period exams

December 19th – 5th/6th period exams

December 20th – Semester exam make-up (make-up time for **excused** absence only and with approval)

## Monday - Thursday Exam Week Schedule

Exam #1 – 7:42 am – 9:15am

BREAK – 9:15am – 9:45am

Exam #2 – 9:45am – 11:15am

## **THE WILDCAT PANTRY**

*The belief that giving and receiving are the same thing is shared by many faith traditions. That belief, combined with the idea that every person is worthy of love and respect, helps form the foundation of The Wildcat Pantry. Whether you are a customer, a patron or a friend, thank you for being part of this program.*

### Current Needs

Toiletries

Gently-used/new tennis shoes

Zip-up jackets and hoodies

Blankets and comforters

Laundry detergent - big need!

Dish soap (not Dawn)

Food (items that don't require electricity to prepare)



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***Help support wonderful local charities and enjoy beautiful Christmas music!***



**Messiah**  
Georg Friedrich Händel

December 14 & 15 at 7:00 p.m.  
December 16 at 2:00 p.m.  
Guntersville High School Auditorium

Guntersville First United Methodist Church Chancel Choir  
Guntersville City Schools Performing Arts Members  
First Baptist Church of Guntersville Sanctuary Choir  
The Black Tie Concert Chorale (*The Whole Backstage*)

\*No Charge for Admission\*  
Love offering accepted to support the following community charities  
Room in the Inn - Blessing in a Backpack - Shepherd's Cove Hospice  
& Guntersville City Schools Performing Arts Program

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**AND DON'T MISS... The Guntersville Museum's Festival of Trees**

(Tuesdays-Fridays, 10:00 am-4:00 pm; and weekends from 1:00-4:00 pm; free admission)

The GHS Anchor Club tree has a Dr. Seuss theme, and Val Jones' GHS art classes decorated their tree to honor Alabama's bicentennial.