

# GALESBURG-AUGUSTA HIGH SCHOOL

February 2021

Principal: Christie Robinson

Dean of Students: Brian Dolph

*"You have power over your mind – not outside events. Realize this, and you will find strength."*

*~Marcus Aurelius*

## Change in Schedule

The next few weeks we will be running a different schedule.

Monday and Tuesday will be

Cardinal days; Wednesday and Thursday will be Gold days; and Friday's will be our VIP schedule.

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schedule changes!	
12	13

## Spirit Week February 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>

Monday, Feb 8th: Jersey Day

Tuesday, Feb 9th: Color War

(12th: Black, 11th: Red, 10th: Blue, 9th: Green, 8th: Yellow, Staff: Orange)

Wednesday, Feb 10th: Pajama Day

Thursday, Feb 11th: Rams Day (show your Ram pride!)

## Competition Among Friends

On Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> we are having a friendly competition between grade levels!

The top 3 grade levels that have the highest percentage of students present for each scheduled class period will get to select from the prizes below.

1<sup>st</sup> Place: 1<sup>st</sup> choice

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: 2<sup>nd</sup> choice

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: 3<sup>rd</sup> choice

Prizes

- Pizza Party and Movie
- Ice Cream Sandwich
- Listen to music on phones during a specific class period
- A mug of hot chocolate

Once the totals are tabulated, an email will be sent to the winning classes for voting! Each prize can be chosen only once!

## Gift for Students

Each student present on Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> will get a gift from our staff, courtesy of the Education Foundation! Make sure you are here to receive your gift!

## 2020-2021 Yearbooks (8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades)

Now is the time to order your yearbook for the 2020-2021 school year! You can order them online and this yearbook will include 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders!

<http://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A03738500>

## ASCR

ASCR is a credit recovery program. If you or your student need to earn make up credits, see Mrs. Walmsley for more information.

GA High School February 2021 Calendar	
February 8	Cardinal Cohort
February 9	Cardinal Cohort
February 10	Gold Cohort
February 11	Gold Cohort
February 12 **Food Delivery**	Run Wednesday Schedule
February 15	Cardinal Cohort
February 16	Cardinal Cohort
February 17	Gold Cohort
February 18	Gold Cohort
February 19 **Food Delivery**	Run Wednesday Schedule
February 22	Cardinal Cohort
February 23	Cardinal Cohort
February 24	VIP Schedule
February 25	Gold Cohort ½ Day & Parent Teacher Conferences
February 26	No School/Parent Teacher Conferences

Students are encouraged to attend school on all 5 days.

# You did it! Congratulations

## Education for Employment Awards

Congratulations to the following students for earning the Outstanding Senior Awards!

Jordyn Klimp, Marketing  
Noah Millheim, Finance  
Brendan Wisely, Business Management  
Administration



## Student Council

Thank you, student council for creating the “Popping Into Good Study Habits” bulletin board. It looks great and they did a great job! Stop by and check it out to see new student habits that you can incorporate into your studies. Pictured: Aleigha Vos, Natalie Earles, Megan Earles, Alyssa Luce  
Photo Credit: Mrs. DeBoer

## Junior & Senior Parents!

The counseling department is available during conferences to have a guided conversation about your student's future. If you and your student would like to meet with Mrs. Walmsley for future planning, please schedule a meeting with her during conferences on February 25 or 26.

*Seniors* should be finalizing their FAFSA, submitting applications, and looking to commit to a school of their choice.

*Juniors* should be investigating the following things this semester:

- Career outlook ideas
- College or Trade School
- College campus visits
- Top 5 colleges/schools of choice
- Financial aid you need & application
- Scholarship applications

## NHS

The next blood drive is scheduled at Sherman Lake YMCA and is to take place on February 12th. Donors can sign up on the Red Cross website.



## NJHS

The NJHS have been planning and coordinating a school supply drive for our teachers and staff this semester.

## VIP

VIP is a one-on-one virtual meeting with an assigned teacher/mentor to discuss grades, social-emotional well-being, self-advocacy, and assist with navigating the ever-changing school year. Attendance will be taken at the VIP meeting.

## Watch High School Sports Online



Watch the Galesburg-Augusta Rams

**LIVE**

**all season long!**

Get unlimited access to watch all your GA events this year on the NFHS Network. We've invested in new technology that will bring you every game from Galesburg-Augusta High School Gym LIVE online so our fans will never miss a game!

Subscribe for unlimited access by visiting [www.NFHSNetwork.com](http://www.NFHSNetwork.com) and search for Galesburg-Augusta. Subscriptions start at just \$9.95 a month



## Upcoming Events

February 8-11: Spirit Week  
February 8-9: Cardinal Day  
February 10-11: Gold Day  
February 12: VIP schedule & NHS Blood Drive  
February 15-16: Cardinal Day  
February 17-18: Gold Day  
February 19: VIP schedule  
February 22: Cardinal Day  
February 23: Cardinal Day  
February 24: VIP Schedule  
February 25: Gold Day; ½ Day of School; & Parent/Teacher Conferences (1-3 & 4-7)  
February 26: No School & Parent/Teacher Conferences (9-11)



# Counselors Corner

As your school counselor I am here to support all students. Know that I am just a phone call or a click away. I can be reached at 269-484-2103 or [christine.walmsley@garams.org](mailto:christine.walmsley@garams.org).

## Updates for February:

-We have virtual "Education After High School" presentations for juniors and seniors every Wednesday at 11 AM. Our presenters this month include Michigan State University, Grand Rapids Job Corp Program, the Army, as well as the new Carpentry and Millwright Trade Center in Wayland.

-A presentation on CTE/EFE/EFA programs was held virtually on February 3rd for students and parents. For more information check out: <https://www.kresa.org/futureready>.

-Early Middle College (EMC) CTE/EFE and EFA applications are all online this year with a due date of March 5th, 2021 for next school year. Ms. W can assist you with the application process or answer any questions.

-Seniors: Headed to college next year? Have you completed the G-A foundation scholarship application? It is due to Ms. W by 2/28/21. Check your email for more information or ask Ms. W for a paper copy.

## 2021-2022 Scheduling

Mrs. Walmsley will be meeting with students to discuss scheduling for the 21-22 school year. Students will request elective courses through the online portal. Core courses are determined by current subject teachers. We encourage you to review the scheduling informational packet with your student and assist them in submitting elective course requests.

## 2021-2022 Scheduling

Mrs. Walmsley is working with the tech department to kick off the student selection portal for PowerSchool. Students will be selecting their courses for 21-22 soon.

## Virtual College Financial Aid Night

Students and families looking for help paying for college are encouraged to register for an upcoming Virtual College Financial Aid Night hosted by Michigan Department of Treasury's MI Student Aid team. **Sessions will be available from 6:30-8 p.m. EST every Tuesday and Thursday in February.**

**All sessions are free and open to the public.**

Participants will be able to gather information on the following financial aid topics:

- FAFSA application information
- Federal financial aid programs
- State financial aid programs
- Scholarship searching
- MiSSG Student Portal Accounts

Due to limited space, participants are encouraged to sign up for one session only. Registration can be completed by visiting the MI Student Aid website at [www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid](http://www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid).

With gratitude,  
Ms. W

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## Senior Corner

**Senior Cap & Gown Orders**—All orders must be placed online at [www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com)

**Name Selection for Diploma**—Complete the google form online ASAP!

**GA Foundation Scholarship Deadline**—February 28, 2021

**Awards Assembly**—Friday, April 30

**Senior Band Concert and Awards**—Wednesday, May 19

**Senior Exams**—Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

**Senior Breakfast, Parade, & Rehearsal**—TBA

**Graduation**—June 4, 2021

**Senior Trip**--Plans are being made for a senior trip! We are looking into the annual Florida trip, but also looking into a backup plan in the event Covid doesn't allow us to travel that far. Please watch your school email for further information as it becomes available from Mrs. Groetsema.