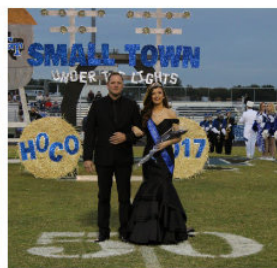
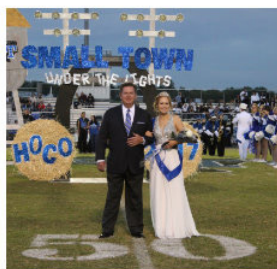


HOMECOMING 2017

Small Town Under the Lights



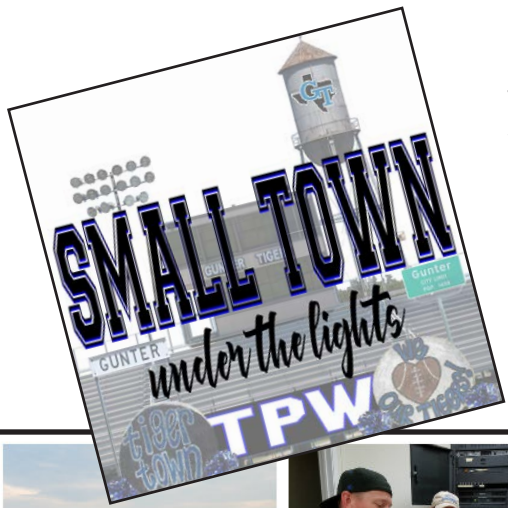
Queen Nominees: Sarah Franze, Paige Garner, Brooke Hogan, Lexie Lenderman, Camryn MacDonald
King Nominees: Ethan Backschie, Tyler Jolly, Zach Lowe, Tyler Phillips, Colton Schmitz



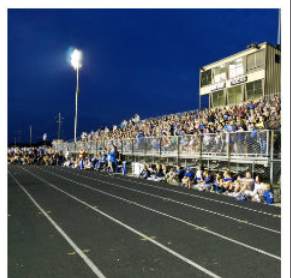
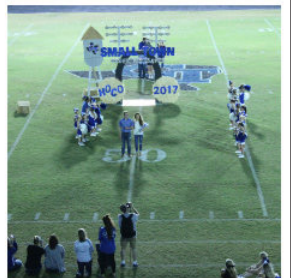
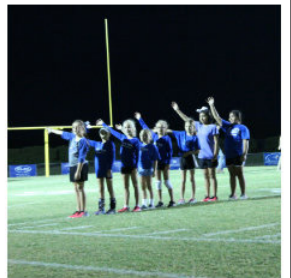
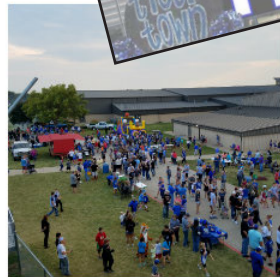
*Congratulations to Brooke Hogan and Zach Lowe who were crowned as the 2017 Homecoming King & Queen.
Special thanks to Tyler Buysse and Avery Reed for returning this year to crown the winners.*



TAILGATE AND PEP RALLY



Thank you to everyone who helped make this night a success! If you were involved in the planning, set up, serving, entertaining and announcing, you are greatly appreciated. For everyone who came out to enjoy the evening, thank you for coming! Special thanks to Coach Miller and his family for putting on an awesome firework show to bring the evening to a sparkling end. We have an awesome community!



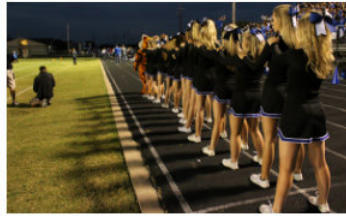
HOMECOMING PARADE

The parade was awesome, as usual! Everyone worked so hard on their floats, and they were so much fun to look at. Thank you for your participation in the event, and thanks to everyone who lined Hwy 289 to watch. Congratulations to the winners: 1st Place - Gunter FFA; 2nd Place - Varsity Cheer; 3rd Place - Kinder Flag FB & Cheer



THAT'S A WRAP!

Friday Night Lights brought an exciting end to our Homecoming Week.



Special thanks to all of the people behind the scenes. Whether you rush to the aid of an injured player, give us a play by play over the PA system or Internet, work in the concession, man the tunnel and horn, take pictures, or fix and maintain the facilities, we thank you!



Gunter Elementary Named 2017 National Blue Ribbon School



On Thursday, September 28th, administrators, teachers, students and visitors gathered in the cafeteria to learn whether or not Gunter Elementary had been selected as a National Blue Ribbon School. Promptly at 12 noon, the presentation began and all eyes were on the screen. States began scrolling across the screen in alphabetical order, and the anticipation was building. While waiting for Texas to appear, the senior cheerleaders led the students in some cheers. Upon witnessing Gunter Elementary School appear on screen as 1 of 342 schools to receive this prestigious honor, **cheers erupted!**

Recognition is based on a school's overall academic performance or progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups. "National Blue Ribbon Schools are active demonstrations of preparing every child for a bright future," said U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy

DeVos to the honorees. "You are visionaries, innovators and leaders."

This coveted award affirms the hard work of our teachers, families and community in creating a safe and welcoming school where students master challenging and engaging content. Gunter Elementary earned this prestigious honor as an Exemplary High Performing School, among the state's highest performing schools as measured by state assessments or nationally normed tests.

GES Principal, Dara Arrington, shared that "The philosophy of GES is 'all in.' The staff does whatever it takes to make each child successful academically, emotionally, physically and socially. Whether that means coming in early to help with morning tutoring, staying late to help with Homework Club and the After-School Care program or bringing food to fill weekend backpacks for families in need – they help in every way they can."

GISD Superintendent, Dr. Jill Siler, added that "the National Blue Ribbon program is the most prestigious academic honor a school can earn. While we are earning this award in 2017, this is a result of years and years of hard work by our teachers and students and continued high expectations from our entire school community."





LEND A HELPING HAND

Gunter Elementary will be helping communities hit by Hurricane Harvey by donating cleaning products, diapers, & personal hygiene items. Grace Bridge will be delivering the items we collect to distribution centers in the hardest hit areas.

What we will be collecting:

CLEANING PRODUCTS:

Pine Sol
Mold Control (most needed)
Window/Glass Cleaner
Disinfectant Wipes
Paper Towels

BABY ITEMS:

Diapers
Baby Wipes

PERSONAL HYGIENE ITEMS:

Shampoo
Soap
Toothpaste/Toothbrushes

Each class will earn points for each item they bring (1 pt. per item). The class who earns the most points will receive a Pizza party. **We will begin collecting items on September 25 and continue through Oct. 6th.** If you have questions, please contact the elementary office at 903-433-5315 or email darrington@gunterisd.org or hhale@gunterisd.org. Thank you for your support.



Celebrating an August and September birthday with a book from the Birthday Book Club are: Taylor Badillo, Paxtyn Graves, Justin Grayard, Shyan Snead and Walter Remaly. Not pictured is Logan May.

GES

SCHOOL PICTURE DAY

OCTOBER 4TH

SMILE!

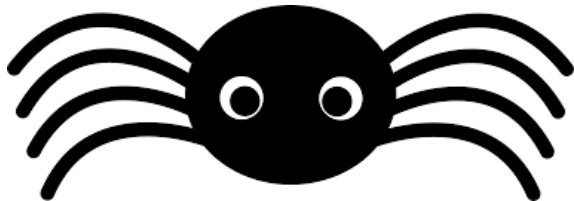
Kindergarten Visits Gunter Library



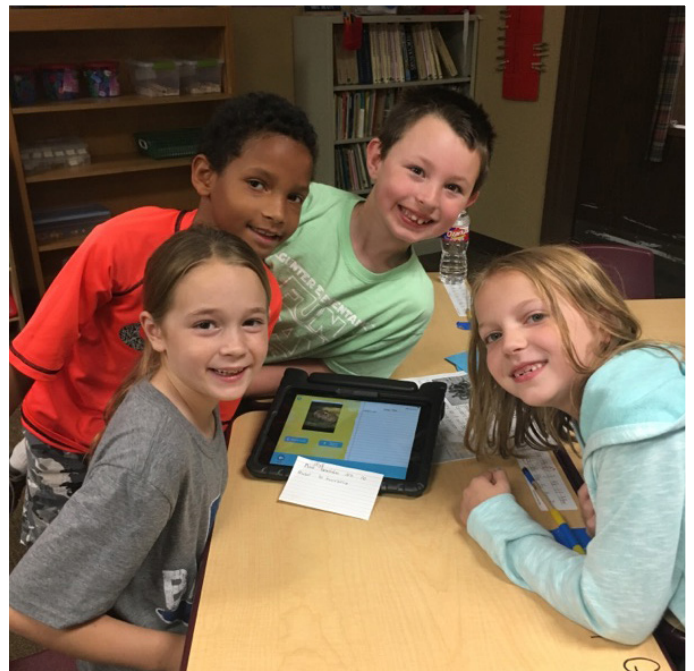
The kindergarten class took a trip to the Gunter Library to learn about the great things they have to offer! You should check out all of their offerings.



Our Summer Readers were recognized at our first Ambush. Those receiving a \$10 WalMart gift card include: Emily Saindon, Noah Saindon, Sydney Bodnyk, Makenzie Nelson, Jace Wade, Tristan May, Kynlee Chalker, Paxtyn Graves, Madison Haning and Michelle Perez. Also pictured are GHS Senior Athletes Zac Lowe, Lexie Lenderman, Daylan Bower, Makenzie Perry and Layke Reed who were present during the recognition ceremony.



Mrs. Beaty is encouraging her students to write creatively using their new iPads in 2nd grade. They are using the "Write About This" app to write about spiders, and they are loving it!



It's HUNTING Season!

Watch out 2D & 3D objects... our 2nd graders will find you!



Shapes are everywhere! The 2nd grade students hunted for them using their iPads and a 2-D / 3-D app.

3rd Grade 's



M&M

(Math & Motor Lab)

The M&M lab gives students the opportunity to have hands-on application and manipulatives to reinforce math skills taught in the classroom. The open space allows the students to collaborate with each other in a more relaxed setting. Students LOVE the freedom to move around and learn!



Save the Date
Fall Carnival
October 14th
5:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Don't miss out on the fun... Mark your calendar NOW!

Location:
Gunter High School

Games, Prizes,
Food, FUN!



NEVER FORGET ...

GES 3rd graders learned about the events of 9/11 and wrote about what a hero means to them. They created American flags to honor those who helped and were lost on that day.

Ambush at GES

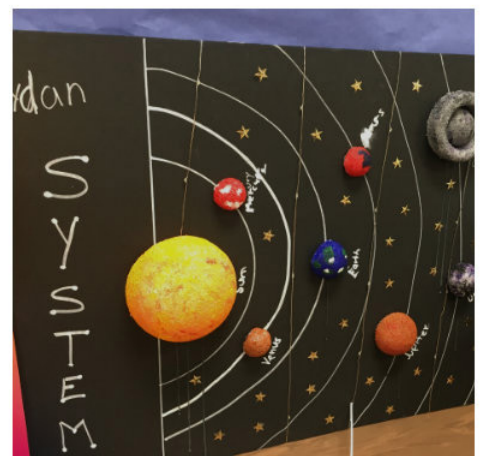
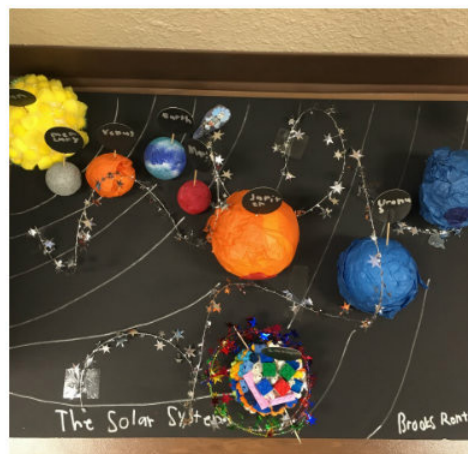
Students from the high school traveled south to the elementary to inspire our little tigers. The students encouraged them to do their best and to get involved.



These kids are our future! Will they become artists, doctors, nurses, architects or computer engineers? Whatever they choose, you can be certain that GISD is working diligently to prepare them for their future!



Solar System



3rd grade students completed their solar system projects with materials from home. They were creative in making the planets look realistic and in the correct order from the sun. They will conclude their unit on the solar system by traveling to the Space Center (via web cam) where an instructor will discuss:

- The effects of gravity on the solar system/Earth
- How important the atmosphere is
- Why there can't be life on the other planets

I have been looking forward to building my solar system since 1st grade!

~ Finley Gressett

GES STUDENTS *LOVE* TO LEARN!

SPECTACULAR SCIENCE

What can you learn from a bag of Skittles? In Mrs. Bon's science lab, you learn several things! If you were to guess (hypothesize) how many Skittles were in a fun size pack, how many do you think there are? Do you think they all have the same number? And do you think they have all the same number of colors? Well, ask any 5th grader, they know! They can even tell you the percentages



In another lab, Mrs. Bon's students practiced the scientific method by hypothesizing the number of drops of water a penny would hold, and then tested it. Many found that they guessed way too low! In some instances, the students were able to get a penny to hold more than 50 drops of water!

7TH GRADE PREDICTS A HEAVY SNOWFALL THIS WINTER... COULD THEY BE RIGHT?



Mr. Fletcher's 7th grade scientists used the Scientific Inquiry process and tested a myth from the Old Farmer's Almanac to see if it is true. In a descriptive experiment, students cut a persimmon and split the seed to look at the shape of the kernel inside.

- ▶ If the kernel is spoon-shaped, lots of heavy, wet snow will fall. Spoon = shovel!
- ▶ If it is fork-shaped, you can expect powdery, light snow and a mild winter.
- ▶ If the kernel is knife-shaped, expect to be "cut" by icy, cutting winds.

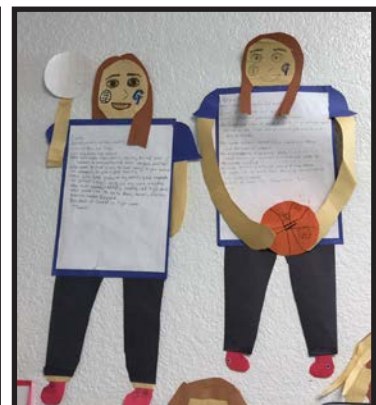


What type of seed did they see? **100% saw a spoon-shaped seed.**
We will have to wait and see if it holds true...

Look out Dr. Siler! We might just have another winter wonderland and a few "snow days"!

Bio Poems

5th grade students are hanging around the hall (literally) to tell you about themselves. These Bio Poems are such a fun idea!





A POWERFUL VOICE

Saying, "I want a drink" is something many of us say without thinking twice. Often, we take for granted being able to tell someone else what we want or need. But it's not that easy for everyone. When it doesn't come easy, it's nice to know there are students like 8th grader Kenny Burkholder. For the past two years, Kenny has been a powerful voice for Cole Reynolds in a way that might be surprising.

Cole uses an Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) device called a QuickTalker-7 to tell others what he needs and wants. For example, when Cole wants to listen to music, he touches the button on his device with a picture of a radio and Kenny's recorded voice message of, "I want music on, please". When Cole is ready to eat, he touches the button with a picture of a boy eating and Kenny's recorded voice message of, "Another bite, please".

Thanks to Kenny, Cole's recorded messages sound like a middle-school boy instead of computer-generated. Cole can talk but does not always talk to communicate his needs and wants. Cole's device allows him to tell others when he's hungry, thirsty, and when he wants to listen to music. It also helps him say when he's "all done" with something and helps him use manners to say, "Thank you".

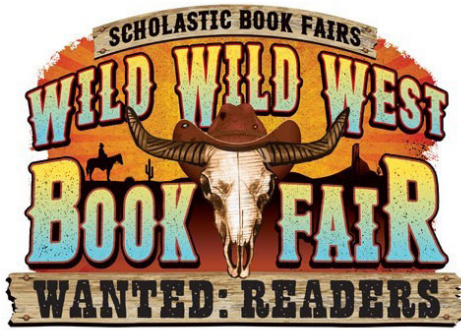
Kenny is sharing his voice to help Cole gain more independence with communication. In return, Cole is teaching Kenny, and all the Gunter Middle school kids, to appreciate the small things in life, to be cool by being yourself, and to overcome really tough obstacles. Kenny and Cole exemplify what it means to be a Gunter Tiger...Stay Humble and have a POWERFUL voice.



The Middle School Band will be performing in the stands and at half-time with the High School Marching Band on October 27th at the Varsity football game! Mark your calendars to attend the game and see how well these kiddos perform!



The Middle School Band and Beginning Band's have their first performance on October 31st, and we are excited to see them! The Middle School Band will perform two pieces alone, and then the Beginning Band will perform one piece with the Middle School Band for the Elementary students and teachers. The performance is at the Elementary School around 2:45pm. Parents and family members are welcome to attend!



Lasso a Great Book!

Gunter Middle School

Book Fair

Friday, October 13 – Thursday, October 19

8:00 AM – 3:30 PM daily

GMS Library



Did Someone Say LACROSSE?!?!?

Join us for an introduction to Gunter Tiger Lacrosse!

The Gunter Youth Association is a non-profit organization supported by a network of volunteers. Our goal is to provide an organized athletic program to the youth of Gunter, Texas in a fun and safe environment. Children of all ages are encouraged to participate in order to develop their athletic skills among healthy competition with a focus on teamwork and good sportsmanship.

FREE Stick Skills Practices

Gunter Youth Association will host several FREE skills practices for ALL AGES to give new players a chance to see if they would be interested in playing Lacrosse in the Spring!

Saturdays @ 5p

November 4, 11, 18, 25

Gunter High School Football Practice Fields (behind Tiger Stadium)

Stick Skills Practices will teach catching, throwing, cradling, moving with the ball, and basic game skills!

Please bring your own Lacrosse Stick, which can be purchased at any sporting equipment store.

Lacrosse will begin registration in **Spring 2018**, and will play in the DFW Lacrosse League!

GYA Lacrosse Commissioner: Robert Timberlake

We are so excited to help Robert offer this to our Gunter youth!

Please contact GYA with any interest in helping with Lacrosse!

Recognizing the Court

by Chris Dodd, GHS Principal

I hope you enjoyed the week of Homecoming festivities.



A parent commented to me in the line at Dollar General that, "This homecoming thing in Texas is...different." They relocated to the Metroplex a few years back and eventually sought out the small town atmosphere of Gunter, Texas. The sentiment they shared about living in our small town has been expressed numerous times by parents and students during the first six weeks of school.

When I began my journey as an official "Gunter Tiger" (I married into this town and had to earn my stripes over an eleven-year time period), the current Seniors were 8th graders. I knew many of them from living in town prior and my wife teaching in Gunter several years before I was hired on. I've got to watch many of them literally grow-up.

I am very proud of the ten students that were elected by their peers to our Homecoming court. They are a great representation of their Senior class and the student body as a whole. All of them but two have spent their entire academic career as Gunter Tigers. Another came in 1st grade and the last as a 7th grader. Collectively they have covered about every activity we have to offer since Middle School. Individually they have very diverse interests, ambitions for post-graduate opportunities, and future dreams. Please allow me to share a little bit about each of them from my perspective as their former teacher, coach, assistant principal, and now campus principal.

You can't miss Tyler Jolly walking down the hallway and it is not because he is loud or acting out. He is quite the opposite, except he is tall. Tyler loves basketball and is a fierce

competitor. He does the dirty work and is the definition of a selfless team player. Tyler also runs cross country because Coach Scott makes him. He also serves on Student Council. Teachers really like Tyler because he does what he is asked to do and does it well. Tyler has a ton of friends, and I believe it is because of his selflessness and kindness. I've heard that he is most at peace with a pole in his hand by the water's edge. The only negative about Tyler is that he wants to be a Longhorn (haha), but very typical of Tyler is his ambition is to be a nurse practitioner. His career goal is to "make a positive impact on others". You already have young man.

We haven't found anything that Sarah Franze can't do. She is a stud and most likely will graduate number one of the Class of 2017 in May. She plays every sport, not because I think she really likes them, but because she doesn't want to let anyone down. Her main thing is soccer – and she is darn good. But she will lay it on the line for the Gunter Tigers on the court, track, or field. Sarah also is in every service organization and quite the photographer. Rumor is that she is moonlighting this football season for the Herald-Democrat. Sarah doesn't know yet where she is going to college, but she does know that she plans on being one of the first humans to reach Mars. She wrote that she wants to help NASA send the first human there but knowing Sarah she will volunteer for the mission herself.

Zach Lowe earned the nickname "Tone Setter" his Freshman year while playing JV Football. Somehow we always managed to win the coin toss and take the field on defense first and our middle linebacker, Zach, would set the tone for the evening. During the second half of the game Zach would take his turn at tailback and the "tone-setter" would become the "closer". Off the field Zach is quiet and studious. He loves kids and uses his preferred Senior schedule to hang out at the elementary school during off hours. Zach's younger brother Peyton is quite the gamer himself and it makes sense that he took his cue from watching his big brother and teammate lead over the years. Zach wants to study aviation and become a pilot. Makes sense because when you are a "tone-setter" the sky is the limit.

Paige Garner is an "old-soul". She has seen more of the world, much of it traveling alone, than most experience in a life-time. Paige spent the first half of her Sophomore year studying in Spain, and took another leave of absence last year to serve alongside her mother at a hospital in India. When you hear Paige speak





about her experiences, she comes across as someone that is half-way through her adult-life. The fourth generation Gunter Tiger plans to attend Baylor and study biomedical engineering and medical school after that. Even though her swamped schedule led to the decision to not Cheer or play sports, you can still say she is involved in everything offered at Gunter High School. In addition, she is very active in the community and her church. Paige's long term goal is the mission field as a doctor and no one that knows her is surprised by that.

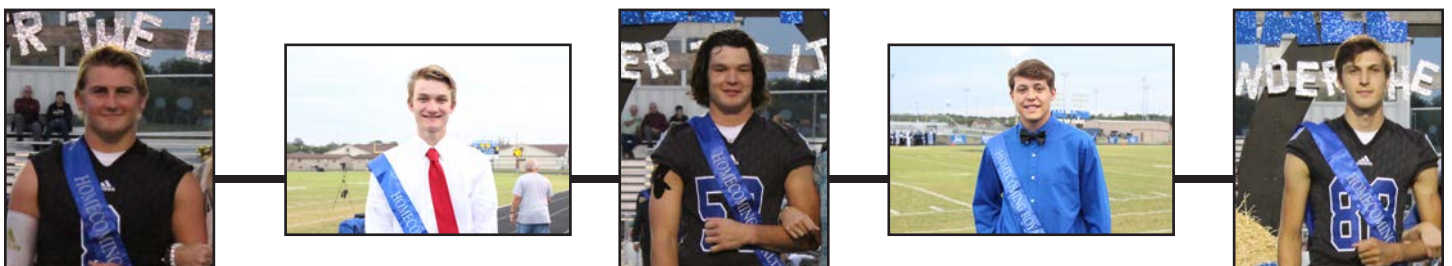
Ethan Backshies is a clown – and I mean that in a good way. We have enough “way too serious people” in society today and Gunter High School is no different. Thankfully there are people with little filter and limited sense of timing. That is Ethan, and his peers love him for it. It's not enough that he is the tallest drink of water walking the halls of GHS. You know he is coming because he is always goofing. Ethan keeps it light and is not afraid to test the boundaries. I think back to many moons ago, when I was in high school and college, and the best memories were made complete by the buddies that used their humor to lighten, encourage, and frame the most difficult situations. That is the gift that Ethan brings to our campus. He is popular for a reason and sometimes it is because he will say something that is not. Ethan plans to serve our Nation by joining the Air Force. He may be the first one pulling KP or in the brig but no doubt his buddies will pick him first to be in the foxhole with them.

When Mr. Waggoner told the Freshman four years ago to build a portfolio Lexie Lenderman was listening. Lexie will have her choice of universities to choose from because she possesses a wide range of talents and abilities. Most notably she is a leader and a servant. The thing I personally admire the most in Lexie is that she is unafraid to try something new and stretch herself into new social circles. When one of our groups has the opportunity to meet and interact with other high schools, she is the first to sign up. Lexie has developed the ability to talk with anyone. Even more important, she is a listener and I've witnessed her put aside her own strong convictions in order to lean in and consider what others may be saying. She has indicated that she wants to become an

elementary principal and she would be a fantastic one. But I can see the future Boomer Sooner introducing the 5:30 nightly news as the lead anchor in the future. Lexie is willing to listen and for that reason I believe someday she will be someone people trust to get the real scoop.

Colton Schmitz is everyone's buddy. He doesn't say much and he doesn't have to. He is the definition of cool. If something fun is going on, chances are he is right in the middle of it. Colton followed perfectly in the footsteps of his sister Kaylee, who may have been one of the most popular students I've been around during my time in Gunter. When I think of Colton and his siblings, I think of two words – tough and loyal. That is what you desire in a true friend. They are comfortable with who they are, and when everyone backs away during tough times, they are still right there beside you. Colton is another one of our tall students – man this is a tall class – and he is an outstanding football player and even better teammate. He also has great hair which we are all jealous of.

Jill and I moved our family to Preston Glen in 2009. We were driving down the road one day and a little girl was decked out in cheer gear, hair fashioned with bows, and a little make-up (well a lot for a little girl). I asked Jill “who is that?” She explained, “Oh that is Brooke - Coach Hogan's little girl. She is quite the little cheerleader.” I've watched that little girl grow-up. She can not only tumble, stunt, and cheer, but has also become quite the “leader”. The Cheerleader world is a tough existence for young ladies. The expectations and demands of the “sport” are tremendous. We are loaded with cheer talent in Gunter and the students, parents, sponsors, and coaches that make up our cheer squad have done a phenomenal job investing and building a program. The past two seasons Brooke has been our lead captain. She and Ryle Leach deserve a ton of credit leading this very talented group. Brooke has also stretched herself as a person in seeking out leadership opportunities beyond cheer to give her the experience she needs to take her talents to the next level. Building an elite program is a goal but not the end game. Seeing young ladies become amazing young women that can lead others is the goal. When I see



Brooke now, I don't see that little girl in pigtails and make-up, but rather a young adult ready to perform on a much larger stage beyond high school.

My lasting impression of Tyler Phillips occurred during an actual teacher observation of Mrs. Egger's class his Freshman year. The class was comprised of a mixture of very diverse students, young and old, with a variety of talents, personalities, and interests. I was thinking "who put this group together?" It wasn't Mrs. Egger that managed to take this hodge-podge of kids and form some semblance of an engaging class. She was just the facilitator. This class was "student-led" and Tyler was literally right in the middle of it all. You could sense, even though he was an underclassman, that Tyler was respected and valued by his peers. That is Tyler. He can exist in any social circle. Tyler's long term career goal is to be a cardiothoracic surgeon. We shouldn't be surprised because he is very intelligent and loves to help people. We asked the court participants to list their hobby, and of course he wrote "hanging out with friends", because he is self-less. Tyler is going to be successful wherever he ends up. He can live on either coast or somewhere in between. He can study in and serve in a foreign land. Tyler is that type of person – wherever he is he will be someone's friend.

Two years ago Camryn MacDonald was the lone youngster

trying to pull her weight on a Senior laden and top ranked volleyball team. It is unlikely Camryn, or anyone, realized how vital that experience would be. On most nights, Camryn and Senior teammate Sarah Franze, are on the court during crunch time with four freshmen. Not first year Varsity players. FOUR FRESHMEN. The energy and enthusiasm Camryn has brought this year in an effort to seize the opportunity to do something special on the court before her time is up as a Gunter Tiger is beyond notable. Camryn doesn't just tolerate her young teammates. She embraces them. There is a balance of encouragement, comradery, and tough love. When we hired first year Coach Katelyn Gill, our first and last discussion was Camryn MacDonald. We knew the youth movement was a necessity and how Camryn would respond to a new coach and young teammates would determine how the 2017 season played out. So far the young Tigers are a spectacular 21-8 and sitting in second place behind a Callisburg squad that made the State Tourney in 2016. Camryn is having an awesome season in more ways than just her play. She is learning lessons of leadership that will serve her well beyond graduation.

The education business is a challenging career. Seeing these young people grow up is the pay off. The 2017 Homecoming Court is a snapshot of the type of students we hope graduate as Gunter Tigers.



And for that reason, these ten Seniors are the Tiger Times Students of the Month for October 2017.

GHS Choir Car Wash - Squeaky Clean Success!

On Saturday, September 23rd the HS Choirs joined forces and worked together washing cars to raise money for sound shells to enhance the amazing sound of our choir in the GHS Commons. The result of this project will not only help this years choir students, but will also help the future choirs of GISD.

We want to thank the community for their amazing support. The choir washed over 60 cars; inside and out, and raised \$1061.00, which is huge for a car wash. Mrs. Kulbeth said, "I witnessed students putting their feet on the ground, sharing responsibility, and working diligently to conquer the task of washing this many cars in one afternoon."



The Disney Dining Experience



Saturday, October 21, 2017
High School Commons
4:00-6:30 PM
Cost \$10.00

The High School Commons will be transformed into a magical place on Saturday, October 21, 2017. Come dine and mingle with Disney Princesses and other characters! The night will be filled with fun activities, yummy food, enchanted characters, songs and excitement; so don't miss out!

For tickets, Contact Elizabeth Kulbeth at ekulbeth@gunterisd.org or fill out this form and return it to the school. Once order forms or emails are received, tickets will be sent home with your child.

Parents, you may drop your child off to allow them to enjoy this amazing evening, and we will watch over them. Alternatively, you are more than welcome to come and enjoy the event as well, but if you plan on staying and also want to eat, please purchase a ticket.

Child's Name: _____

Teachers Name: _____

Parents Name: _____

of Tickets: _____

Please attach payment to this form @ \$10/ticket.

Thanks for supporting the GHS Choir Department!



Fall Choir Concert

Monday, October 23rd

Middle School
Choir students arrive: 6:15 PM
Performance Time: 6:30 PM

High School
Choir students arrive: 7:15 PM
Performance Time: 7:30 PM





Chuck Ladd 1 Day ACT Prep Courses - \$50 per student

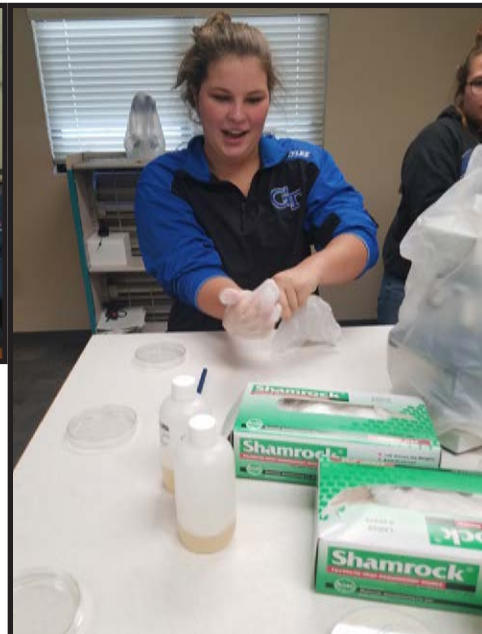
Several local school districts in our area are hosting Chuck Ladd from Whitesboro High School to conduct ACT Prep classes in the fall. Chuck has been on our campus for the past several years and our students have enjoyed his classes. His local class schedule is below. GHS students are allowed to attend any of the classes:

- ☐ Saturday, 10/21 Celina HS 9am-3pm
- ☐ Sunday, 10/22 Sherman HS 1-6pm
- ☐ Saturday, 12/2 Denison HS 9am-3pm
- ☐ **Sunday, 12/3 Gunter HS 1-6pm**

Please email laddc@whitesboroisd.org with questions, or to register for these classes.



Medical Microbiology students have been in the lab learning some valuable lessons. They will certainly leave this class with an idea of what it feels like to work in a medical field. They have been learning to pour agar in Petri dishes in preparation for growing bacteria, as well as, learning to take vital signs.



Future Ready?

These students are learning about their college options early in the year. They attended the Frisco ISD College Fair at Lebanon Trail High School.

RYLA

Seniors Paige Garner, Brooke Hogan, Lexie Lenderman, and Ryan Reed spoke to the Preston Trails Rotary Club to share about how Camp RYLA impacted their lives! Each senior shared a specific camp activity that was meaningful to them as well as how their leadership has changed since they returned from camp. They were AMAZING!

A HUGE thanks to the Preston Trails Rotary Club. Each year they cover the cost to send two Gunter students to Camp RYLA. This year they sponsored FOUR of our students! THANK YOU for investing in our students!



Building Prototypes

The programming classes and engineering classes designed a robot following the BEST robotics criteria for the game this year. Students first had to think about their design, draft it on paper, and then build a prototype.

Mrs. Foster said, "It is interesting to hear the students discuss and state things such as: room for a motor, the servo goes here, we have to control wires, we need a wheel or skid here, and having to start over." She added, "I love the thought process and team work that I've witnessed in this project."



Cross Country



S&S Meet

JV Boys - 4th place

Coby Knooce 20:35

Varsity Boys - 5th place

Colt Rivera 18:55

Logan Nelson 18:58

David Denton 19:08

JV Girls

Natalie Stephan 15:13

Varsity Girls - 7th Place

Beth Gilbreath 13:34

Tori Gittens 14:10

Bri Carr 14:44

Nancy Castorena 14:47

Bria Savage 14:48

Stephanie Pelley 17:11

UTA Gerald Richey Invitational

Varsity Boys - 8th Place

Colt Rivera 19:00

Nelson Logan 19:38

David Denton 20:05

Zander Turner 21:18

Cobi Koonce 21:18

Gabe Wells 21:58

Tyler Jolly 22:13

Alex Covington 22:14

Varsity Girls - 5th Place

Abigail Gilbreath 16:45

Jacee Childers 16:45

Tori Gittens 16:58

Bri Carr 17:40

Nancy Castorena 17:53

Bria Savage 18:12

Stephanie Pelley 19:27

Grand Prairie Meet

Varsity Boys - 8th place

Colt Rivera 18:59

Logan Nelson 19:38

David Denton 20:05

Zander Turner 21:17

Coby Knooce 21:18



Volleyball Scoreboard

Varsity

9/29 vs Whitesboro	3-1 (Win)
9/26 vs RRCH	1-3 (Loss)
9/22 vs S&S	3-0 (Win)
9/19 vs Callisburg	3-0 (Win)
9/15 vs Ponder	3-1 (Win)
9/12 vs Pilot Point	3-0 (Win)
9/8 vs Pottsboro	3-0 (Win)

Silver Bracket Nocona Tournament

Consolation Champs

9/2 vs Iowa Park	2-1 (Win)
9/2 vs Bowie	2-0 (Win)
9/1 vs Bells	3-0 (Win)
8/31 vs Valley View	2-0 (Win)
8/31 vs Nocona	2-0 (Win)
8/31 vs Bryson	2-0 (Win)
8/31 vs Windthorst	2-0 (Win)



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Middle School

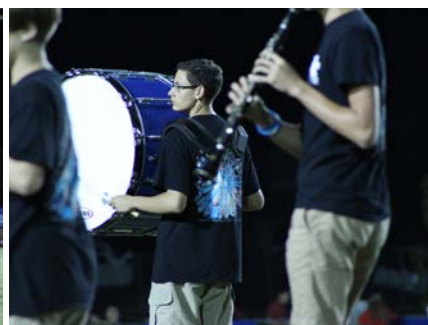
9/25 vs Ponder	
7B	1-2 (Lost)
7A	2-0 (Win)
8B	2-1 (Win)
8A	2-0 (Win)
9/18 vs Pilot Point	
7B	2-0 (Win)
7A	2-0 (Win)
8B	2-0 (Win)
8A	2-0 (Win)
9/11 vs S&S	
7B	2-0 (Win)
7A	2-0 (Win)
8B	2-0 (Win)
8A	2-0 (Win)
9/7 vs Whitesboro	
7B	2-0 (Win)
7A	2-0 (Win)
8B	2-0 (Win)
8A	2-0 (Win)

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JV Scoreboard

vs Whitesboro	1-2 (Loss)
vs S&S	2-1 (Win)
vs Ponder	0-2 (Loss)
vs Pilot Point	1-2 (Loss)
vs Red River	1-2 (Loss)
vs Callisburg	0-2 (Loss)
vs Pottsboro	0-2 (Loss)
vs Bells	0-2 (Loss)
vs Krum	0-2 (Loss)
vs Braswell	0-2 (Loss)
vs Blue Ridge	2-0 (Win)
vs Howe	2-1 (Win)



What a BEAUTIFUL NOISE! Thanks to the GHS Band for adding a spark to our pep rallies, games, and so many other events!

Football Scoreboard

Varsity

9/29 vs Whitewright	66-0	WIN
9/22 vs Pilot Point	43-11	WIN
9/15 vs Whitesboro	52-13	WIN
9/8 vs Pottsboro	26-0	WIN
9/1 vs Bells	50-12	WIN

JV

9/28 vs Whitewright	32-0	WIN
9/21 vs Pilot Point win	32-6	WIN
9/14 vs Whitesboro	28-6	WIN
9/7 vs Pottsboro	0-20	LOSS
8/31 vs Howe	36-0	WIN

Middle School

9/28 vs Whitewright		
8th Grade	28-14	WIN
7th Grade	32-14	WIN
9/21 vs Pilot Point		
8th Grade	22-22	TIE
7th Grade	20-14	WIN
9/14 vs Whitesboro		
8th Grade	14-0	WIN
7th Grade	14-18	LOSS



Every Pep Rally, Every Game, All Events...
Our GHS Cheerleaders are AWESOME!



Gunter Independent School District Board Briefs

Tuesday, September 19, 2017

GISD Regular Board Meeting 6:00pm

The Regular meeting was called to order by Dr. Gary Harris, Board President. A quorum was established. Invocation and Pledge was conducted by Mrs. Candy Leonard.

ATTENDANCE: Board members included: Jeff Banks, L.D. Byrd, Dr. Gary Harris, Candy Leonard, Scott Meyerdirk and Steve Smith; District attendance included: Dr. Jill Siler, Mr. Kelly Teems, Mr. Chris Dodd and Mr. Matt Cooper. Several guests were in attendance.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- A full Financial Report was given
- Quarterly Investment Report was given
- Communications
 - o Gail Utter from Wells Fargo Advisors presented the Kerfoot Scholarship Trust Financial Update. The fund is doing very well and the changes the GISD Board made to scholarship amounts has helped bring the distributions within the 5% guidelines to ensure perpetuity of the fund.
 - o Charles Brady from Linebarger Attorneys at Law presented the 2017 Tax Roll Turnover and Analysis of Delinquent Tax Roll. The tax rate collection in GISD continues to remain high.
 - o Strategic Planning Update—Action Teams are at work and will present to the Strategic 42 (original retreat members) on October 24th. The full plan will be presented to the GISD School Board in November.
 - o Enrollment Update

Elementary School	364
Middle School	264
High School	296
TOTAL	924

Upcoming Events / Meeting Date

- Oct. 26th, Recognition/Board Mtg, 6pm @ GHS
- Nov. 16th, Board Mtg, 6pm @ Admin
- Dec. 19th, Board Meeting, 6pm @ Admin
- Jan. 16th, Board Mtg, Dinner 6pm Meeting 6:30pm @ ES
- Feb. 20th, Recognition/Board Mtg, 6pm @ HS
- March 8th, Board Mtg, 6pm @ Admin
- April 16th, Recognition/Board Mtg, 6pm @ HS
- May 17th, Board Mtg, 6pm @ Admin

• Board Member Report

- o School Board Training – The board debriefed the legislative training update session.
- o Survey – Dr. Harris shared that they would be discussing the school board self-assessment at the October Board Meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA/ROUTINE BUSINESS:

Minutes, Billing, Budget Amendments, SHAC Committee Members for 2017-2018, Memorandum of Understanding Between GIFT and GISD and the Resolution Stating Review of Investment Policy and Investment Strategies and Designation of Investment Officers were adopted.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- The Board approved the Bids from SouthCo in the amount of \$595,666.00 for the Ag Barn and Strength and Conditioning Center. This will include a new Hog Barn on the west side of the current Ag Barn. The Strength & Conditioning Center will be built on the lower practice field on the southeast side of the visitors stands and will include an area for weightlifting and a turf area to be utilized by all programs (athletics, cheer, band, etc.). The board also reviewed cost estimates to renovate the current Athletic Fieldhouse and Concession Stand area.
- The Board approved to postpone Track Bids until the October 26, 2017 meeting so that we can review the geotech report and updated bids. The track renovation will be a complete replacement.
- The Board approved the District and Campus 2016-2017 Improvement Plan Evaluations.

7:25pm Board went in to Closed Session Pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.001

7:27pm Reconvened from Closed Session.

Dr. Siler shared that the Transportation Director resigned his position.

ADJOURNMENT: Regular meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:27pm



As Gunter ISD continues to strengthen its commitment to providing a 21st century teaching and learning environment, we are excited to be amongst the many schools who utilize G Suite offered through Google. G Suite offers many opportunities for students to communicate, create and collaborate, and we are excited to see where all of the tools will take our students!

The G Suite allows schools to create a safe environment for students to explore a

variety of tools. One of the tools our students have access to is GMail. Although it functions just like an email account, we have chosen to limit the elementary and middle school students to our own Gunter Google domain. Their email will function only within the district to allow them communication with teachers and other GISD students. Students at the high school level are encouraged to reach out to colleges, trade schools, military, and future employers, therefore, high school student emails function just like any other email address offered by Google. Students are expected to use the email in a professional manner. By signing the Acceptable Use Agreement that was included in your beginning of the year paperwork, the student has agreed to abide by the GISD policies for computer and internet use.

Access to and use of any internet program is considered a privilege. Gunter ISD maintains the right to disable any student account when there is reason to believe that a violation of law or School Board policies have occurred. In such cases, the alleged violation will be referred to campus administration for further investigation and application of necessary consequence as indicated in the Student Code of Conduct.

Gunter ISD cannot and does not guarantee that the security and confidentiality of Google's system will never be breached and that as a result, personal identifiable information will be obtained or accessed by unauthorized persons. This is a situational risk that is common to anyone who uses the Internet; at school or at home. Although Gunter ISD has an internet filter in place, the District cannot assure that users will not be exposed to non-educational material outside of the GISD network. Teachers and parents should monitor internet usage and remind students of best internet safety practices.



One more way to stay connected to us!

Gunter ISD utilizes a messaging service to distribute information as quickly as possible. You have received many emails and a phone call this year from our School Messenger account. You have the ability to manage your account to be sure you are getting the messages you need at the contact number or email that you want.

Simply visit <https://go.schoolmessenger.com/#/home> to sign up for your account or download the app listed on the site. We suggest that you watch the video beneath the app logos to get acquainted with the system's features.

For security reasons, your phone number and email you use to set up the account must be listed in our student information system in your child's contact list that you provided at the time of registration. Once you successfully log in, you can go to your name at the top right, choose preferences, and manage the types of messages you receive.

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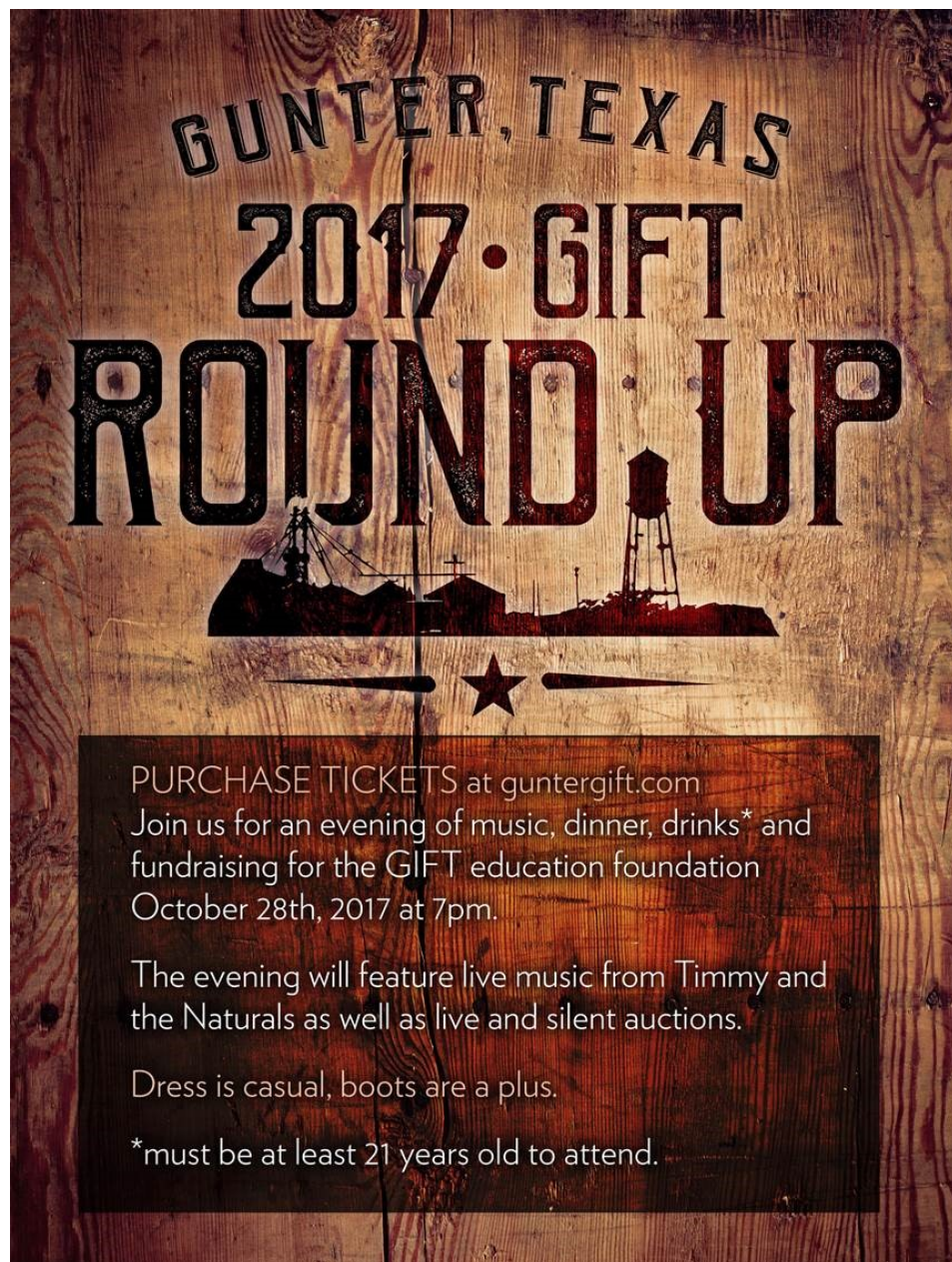
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GUNTER, TEXAS
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ROUND UP

PURCHASE TICKETS at guntergift.com
Join us for an evening of music, dinner, drinks* and fundraising for the GIFT education foundation
October 28th, 2017 at 7pm.

The evening will feature live music from Timmy and the Naturals as well as live and silent auctions.

Dress is casual, boots are a plus.

*must be at least 21 years old to attend.



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OCTOBER 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 CC Meet @ Graham 5p MS VB @ Home	3 3p TMEA Phase 1 Region Choir Contest 5p VB @ Pottsboro	4 5:30p Fall SB @ Home	5 CC Meet @ Blue Ridge (MS & HS) 4:30p MS FB @ Home 7p JV FB @ Home	6 4:30p VB @ Home 7:30p FB @ S&S	7 Aubrey Marching Festival TMEA Phase 2 Choir Contest
8	9 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY STUDENT HOLIDAY	10 District CC Meet @ Pottsboro 5p VB @ Gunter	11 PSAT Exam at GHS 5:30p Fall SB @ Anna	12 4:30p MS Football @ Prairiland 7p JV FB @ Prairiland	13 9:35a Pep Rally 4:30p VB @ Callisburg 7:30p FB @ Home (Youth Night) GMS Book Fair	14 Royce City Marching Festival
15	16 5p MS VB @ Pottsboro	17 6th Grade Field Trip 3p GMS Trunk or Treat 5p VB @ Home (Senior Night)	18 4p Band UIL @ Princeton 5:30p Fall SB @ Home	19 4:30p MS FB @ Home 7p JV FB @ Home	20 7:30p FB @ Cooper	21 MS VB Tournament @ Callisburg (7A 8A) Regional CC Meet 4p Everything Disney - GHS Commons 
22	23 Regional CC @ Grand Prairie 6:30p MS Fall Choir Concert 7:30p HS Fall Choir Concert 	24 5p VB @ Whitesboro	25 7:30p Fall SB @ Anna	26 4:30p MS FB @ Chisum 6p School Board Mtg 7p JV FB @ Chisum	27 9:30a Pep Rally 5:30p MS Night at the Football Game 7:30p FB @ Home (Senior Night)	28 Area Band Competition Bass Fishing @ Lewisville Lake MS Choir Solo & Ensemble 7p GIFT Gala
29	30	31 2p MS Band Halloween Concert @ GES 	1	2	3	4