

**THE WARRIOR WORD.....**



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**NEWS FROM THE ADMINISTRATION**

.Dear Parents and students,

We at Galt High School pride ourselves on celebrating 100 years of commitment to excellence!

As part of the Centennial Celebration, I have had an opportunity to collaborate with students, staff and former alumni in researching Galt High School's rich history and have been impressed with the legacy, to serve others and to be our personal best, which our current students have inherited.

Working with GHS alumni and the Galt Historical Society, we have discovered a treasure trove of annuals, photos and documents dating back to 1918. What impresses me the most, as we look at this historic timeline, is that students from Galt High School have experienced many challenges over the years and have always demonstrated that they are resilient and can achieve even in the most difficult times.

Our commitment to provide each and every student at GHS with opportunities to discover their personal potential is our priority. Our staff has collaborated on District-wide pacing guides for core subjects. We have also collaborated on District-wide benchmarks to assess student performance. The information we collect will be used to make data-driven decisions on how to

best serve your child's academic needs.

Our **District Strategic Plan** is a blueprint which outlines the commitment from our teachers, administrators and district in supporting your student to succeed. For more information on the District Strategic Plan, please visit the GHS website at:

[www.ghsd.k12.ca.us/ghs/New\\_GHS/index2.html](http://www.ghsd.k12.ca.us/ghs/New_GHS/index2.html).

In the proud tradition of the Galt administrators and staff who have come before us, we want to reaffirm our commitment to serve you and your child. I will be available for "coffee with the principal" on Tuesdays from 7:00 am to 7:45 am. Please feel free to contact me to come and discuss your questions and/or concerns. We are always looking for continuous improvement and look forward to your input.

Please contact me at (209) 745-3081 extension 2015.

Sincerely,  
Maria Orr  
GHs Interim Principal

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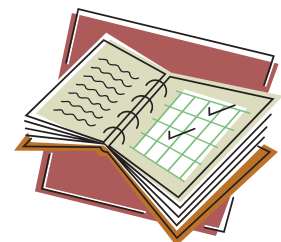
**School Office Hours:**  
Monday—Friday  
7:30 am—4:00 pm  
Closed — All Holidays

**School Closure Dates:**  
Otr. Break ~ October 10 & 11  
Teacher Furlough ~ October 12 - 14  
Veteran's Day ~ November 11  
Thanksgiving Break ~ November 21 - 25  
Winter Break ~ December 19 - 30  
Staff Buy-Back ~ January 2  
Martin Luther King Jr. ~ January 16



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Time	Location
<b>September 2011</b>			
9/2	Picture Re-takes	All Day	
<b>9/5</b>	<b>Labor Day Holiday (no school)</b>		
9/13	GJUHSD Board Meeting	6:30pm	Galt City Chambers
9/20	PTSA Meeting	6:30pm	Room 68
9/22	ELAC Meeting	6:30pm	GHS Library
9/25	3rd Annual Alumni Game / BBQ	5:00pm	
9/26	School Site Council	3:30pm	GHS Library
9/26—9/30	<b>Homecoming Week</b>		
9/26	Homecoming Night Rally	6:30pm	Gymnasium
9/27	Powder Puff game	6:30pm	Stadium
<b>9/28</b>	<b>Collaboration Minimum Day</b>	<b>(12:15 dismissal)</b>	
9/29	College Night	6:30pm	Liberty Ranch H.S.
9/29	FALL BBQ (extended lunch)		Quad
9/30	Homecoming Rally (Rally Schedule)	(see bell schedule)	
9/30	Homecoming Parade		
<b>October 2011</b>			
10/1	Homecoming Dance	8:00pm—11:00pm	Nottoli Dome
10/1	SAT Testing	TBD	GHS
10/7	Choir Concert	7:00pm	Auditorium
10/7	1st Qtr. Ends		
<b>10/10—10/11</b>	<b>Quarter Break (no school)</b>		
10/11	GJUHSD Board Meeting	6:30pm	Galt City Chambers
<b>10/12—10/14</b>	<b>Furlough Days (no school)</b>		
10/12	PSAT/NMSQT	TBD	
10/18	PTSA Meeting	6:30pm	room 68
10/20	ELAC Meeting	6:30pm	GHS Library
10/24	School Site Council	3:30pm	GHS Library
<b>10/26</b>	<b>Collaboration Minimum Day</b>	<b>(12:15pm dismissal)</b>	
<b>November 2011</b>			
11/01– 11/02	CAHSEE Testing (11th & 12th grade)		
11/8	GJUHSD Board Meeting	6:30pm	Galt City Chambers
<b>11/11</b>	<b>Veterans Day Holiday (no school)</b>		
11/15	PTSA Meeting	6:30pm	room 68
11/17	ELAC Meeting	6:30pm	GHS Library
<b>11/21-11/25</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Break (no school)</b>		
11/28	School Site Council Meeting	3:30pm	GHS Library
<b>11/30</b>	<b>Collaboration Day</b>	<b>(2:00pm dismissal)</b>	



## 21ST CENTURY BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING:

21<sup>st</sup> Century or as we call it "21C" is our before and after school program. We are funded by a grant so all services are free to GHS students. The 21C staff is made up of eight College students (all are GHS graduates), that are working on their BA, BS, or their Masters, and seven high school senior tutors that are in advanced classes in each of the core subject areas. Our coordinator has been a teacher at GHS since 1987.

We operate five days a week. We are open before school, 7:00-8:00, for students that arrive early. They can get help on homework or just have a place to finish it. We have available hot coco, coffee, oatmeal and donuts. In the winter it's a great place to get warm and stay out of the rain.

In the afternoon, we are open 3:00-6:00 (Wed. 2:00-5:00). Students get a free snack while working on homework. We have available all class textbooks, teacher assignments, and computers with internet. Students are free to come when they like. We offer an attendance verification slip each day for parents so they can know if their son/daughter attended, for how long, and what they worked on. We are happy to meet with parents to go over grades, set up individualized tutoring, or create an after school plan to meet their child's needs.

We will be having a variety of enrichment classes at 4:00

For more information check out our link on the GHS website, email the coordinator, call us or come by and visit.

[BBerlin@ghsd.k12.ca.us](mailto:BBerlin@ghsd.k12.ca.us), (209) 745-3081 ext. 3052, Room 52



### TUTORING HOURS:

Monday-Friday

7:00-8:00am

3:00-6:00pm

Wednesdays

2:00-5:00pm

## D-TAP (WHOOPING COUGH) VACCINATION:

**September 22nd is the DEADLINE** to turn in a current Tdap shot record. If not turned in by September 22<sup>nd</sup> the student will not be able to attend school until proof is provided. Please turn shot records into the office or by fax at [\(209\) 745-4786](tel:2097454786). Otherwise, waivers can be provided and are available in the nurse office, main office, and counseling.

If you have any questions please call [\(209\) 745-3081 ext.8](tel:2097453081)

To determine if the vaccine abbreviation or trade name on your child's record meets the Tdap requirement, see below. If you are still unclear as to which vaccine your child has received, request clarification from your vaccine provider.

### YES (VALID for whooping cough vaccine)

- Tdap
- Adacel
- Boostrix
- Dtap or DTP (Given on or after the 7th birthday Meet the requirements)

### NO (INVALID for whooping cough vaccine)

- Td
- DECAVAC
- TENIVAC
- DT
- Vaccine of DTap or DTP given before the 7th birthday does not meet the requirement

Muey Sachao, GJUHSD School Nurse

## TESTING NEWS:

The **SAT exams** will be held at GHS on Saturday, October 1. Students need to register online at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org). Registration deadlines for the October exams are September 9 and Sept. 21 for Late registration. Contact your child's counselor or Mr. Gardner at 745-3081, x2003 if you have questions.

The **PSAT exam** will be offered at GHS on Wednesday, October 12. This exam is recommended for all college bound 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students. It is excellent preparation for the SAT and provides students/parents with valuable college planning resources. Interested students must register with Mr. Gardner in the Administration during the month of September. Registration fee is \$14, cash or check payable to Galt High School. Fee waivers are available for eligible 11<sup>th</sup> graders only but students must still register.

The first **California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE)** will be held November 1 & 2 for any 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> graders who have not yet passed both the English and Math sections of the test. The English section is given on Tuesday, Nov. 1 during periods 1-4, and the Math section is given on Wednesday, Nov. 2 during periods 1-4.

Steve Gardner, Testing Coordinator



## COUNSELING CORNER

Greetings from the Galt High School Counseling Office! In August, Mrs. Emperador and Mr. Smith efficiently got all Galt High students settled into classes. We are now focusing on helping our seniors build their plans for life after high school. If you plan on attending a 4 year university next year, you must take the SAT or ACT. These tests are administered on Saturdays and you can take the SAT here at **Galt High** on **October 12<sup>th</sup>**. Students register on-line at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) for the SAT and [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) for the ACT. If you plan on attending the University of California system, you must also take the SAT Subject test on a separate Saturday. All college tests must be completed by November for current seniors.

Scholarship information can be found in the Counseling Office at the counter.

The Galt High School District **College Night** is being held at Liberty Ranch High School this year. It is on Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm, in the multi-purpose room.

After evaluating transcripts, senior parents are receiving letters in late September, informing them of their student's graduation status. Seniors needing extra credit will be called in by their counselor to enroll in night school.

Students of all grade levels, if you have questions or personal concerns, be sure to make an appointment to see your counselor. Mr. Smith and Mrs. Emperador are ready to give you the professional assistance you need!



## HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES / CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Galt High School  
Homecoming Activities/Centennial Celebration  
1911-2011

<b>Sunday, September 25, 2011</b>	<b>Third Annual Alumni Game and BBQ @ 5:00 pm</b>
<b>Monday, September 26, 2011</b>	<b>Night Rally @ 6:30 pm Warrior Gym</b>
<b>Tuesday, September 27, 2011</b>	<b>Powder Puff @ 6:30 pm Warrior Stadium</b>
<b>Thursday, September 29, 2011</b>	<b>Frosh Football Game @ 6:00 pm</b>
<b>Friday, September 30, 2011</b>	Homecoming Parade
	<b>Rally @ 2 pm in Warrior Stadium</b>
	<b>Game:</b> GHS football stadium with JV playing Cosumnes Oaks @ 5:00 pm
	Parade into Warrior Stadium @ 7:00 pm
	GHS Varsity vs Cosumnes Oaks @ 8:00 pm

**Saturday, October 1, 2011 at Nottolli Center Homecoming Dance @ 8:00 pm-11:00pm**  
For more information, please call Mrs. Orr, Interim Principal at (209) 745-3081 extension 2015.

## VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS

"The arts and humanities define who we are as a people. That is their power – to remind us of what we each have to offer, and what we all have in common. To help us understand our history and imagine our future. To give us hope in the moments of struggle and to bring us together when nothing else will." – First Lady Michelle Obama

In the 2011-2012 school year Galt High School Visual and Performing Arts program will continue to celebrate our students and their successes through cultural diversity in the arts. Galt High School Visual Arts students are looking forward to collaborative projects to be part of Galt High School's 100 year legacy and the beautification of our campus.

The Galt High School Art Gallery will be featuring student work throughout the year, starting with our amazing winners of the California State Fair. Congratulations Art Students!

Amanda Johnson  
Visual & Performing Arts Department



## THE MISSION OF GALT HIGH SCHOOL

As an educational leader, Galt High School will endeavor to facilitate a learning community where students come first and all participants in the educational process strive for excellence through mutual respect and pride. Galt High School will provide a safe, enriched, student-centered learning environment where each student can:

- Realize their academic and creative potential
- Develop respect and tolerance for others
- Become an involved and responsible citizen
- Appreciate cultural diversity



## ESLRS: EXPECTED SCHOOLWIDE LEARNING RESULTS

*Galt High School students are expected to be:*

### **G**oal Oriented

- Prepared to succeed in academic and social endeavors.
- Able to set challenging and realistic goals while carrying out meaningful short and long term plans.

### **A**cademic Achievers

- Proficient or better in all state standards.
- Effective communicators, both orally and in writing.
- Competent users of a variety of appropriate media and technology aids.

### **L**ifelong Learners

- Able to challenge themselves and value education throughout their lives.
- Equipped with the problem solving and critical thinking skills needed in today's world.

### **T**rustworthy Citizens

- Understanding of how their actions affect themselves, others, and the community at large.
- Aware and respectful of diversity among people.

Board Approved 4-12-11/Revised 9-13-11

GALT JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
2011 - 2012 SCHOOL CALENDAR

	FIRST WEEK							SECOND WEEK							THIRD WEEK							FOURTH WEEK							FIFTH WEEK							NON- INSTR. DAYS	NON- INSTR. DAYS
	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S	M	T	W	TH	F	S	S		
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School Starts - Aug 30  
School Ends - May 31

**LEGAL HOLIDAYS**  
Sept. 5 Labor Day  
Nov. 11 Veteran's Day  
Nov. 24 Thanksgiving  
Dec. 25 Christmas  
Jan. 1 New Year's Day  
Jan. 16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Feb. 13 Lincoln's Birthday Observed  
Feb. 20 Presidents' Day  
May 28 Memorial Day

**LOCAL HOLIDAYS**  
Nov. 21-25 Winter Break: Dec 19-Jan 2  
Spring Break: April 2-6

**TEST DATES**  
CAHSEE- Nov 1 & 2  
CAHSEE- Feb 7 & 8  
CAHSEE- May 8 & 9  
STAAR- April 15-23  
AP- TBD

**GRADUATION**  
EHS - May 30  
GHS - May 31  
UHS - June 1

**GRADING PERIODS**  
1st Qtr. Ends - Oct 7  
2nd Qtr. Ends - Dec 16  
3rd Qtr. Ends Mar 9  
4th Qtr. Ends May 31

**CALENDAR LEGEND**  
No School  
CD Collaboration Day  
2:00PM Dismissal  
MD Minimum Day  
12:15PM Dismissal  
NTW New Teacher Workday  
TW Teacher Workday  
BB Staff Buy Back Day  
QTR Quarter Break  
SP Senior Project  
NWD Teacher Non-Work Day

\*\*\* CALENDAR CHANGED TO REFLECT CONTRACT SETTLEMENT \*\*\*

# IMPORTANT PHONE CONTACTS

## Galt High School

Main Office 209-745-3081  
Attendance Office 209-745-3084  
Agriculture Office 209-745-3430  
Counseling Office 209-745-3083  
Food Services 209-745-9532  
Maintenance 209-745-2102  
Music Office 209-745-9581  
Principal's Office 209-745-9744

School Address  
145 N. Lincoln Way  
Galt, CA 95632

## Liberty Ranch High School

Main Office 209-744-4250  
School Fax 209-745-2106

Address  
12945 Marengo Rd.  
Galt, CA 95632

## Galt Joint Union High School District Office

Main Office 209-745-3061  
Maintenance 209-745-2102  
Transportation 209-745-1059

Address  
12945 Marengo Rd.  
Galt, CA 95632

## Estrellita High School

Main Office 209-745-2167

School Address  
12935 Marengo Rd.  
Galt, CA 95632

## Galt Adult School

Main Office 209-745-5852

School Address  
150 Camellia Way  
Galt, CA 95632

Contact the high school office at 209-745-3081, if you would like a copy of this newsletter in Spanish.

Comuniquese con la oficina de la escuela Secundaria de Galt al 209-745-3081. Si usted necesita una copia de

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