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Seasons Greetings and HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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STATE CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to the following GHSA State Champions:

CHEERLEADING

- | | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|
| 7A | - South Forsyth High School |
| 6A | - Creekview High School |
| 5A | - McIntosh High School |
| 4A | - Jefferson High School |
| 3A | - Dawson County High School |
| 2A | - Bleckley County High School |
| A Public | - Gordon Lee High School |
| A Private | - Mt. Paran |
| Coed | - Northgate High School |

CROSS COUNTRY

- | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| 7A Girls | - Marietta High School |
| 7A Boys | - Mill Creek High School |
| 6A Girls | - North Atlanta High School |
| 6A Boys | - Richmond Hill High School |
| 5A Girls | - St. Pius X |
| 5A Boys | - Decatur High School |
| 4A Girls | - Marist |
| 4A Boys | - Chestatee High School |
| 3A Girls | - Westminster |
| 3A Boys | - Westminster |
| 2A Girls | - Pace Academy |
| 2A Boys | - Pace Academy |
| A Girls (public) | - Armuchee High School |
| A Boys (public) | - Armuchee High School |
| A Girls (private) | - Wesleyan |
| A Boys (private) | - Whitefield Academy |

ONE ACT PLAY

- | | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|
| 7A | - Milton High School |
| 6A | - Houston County High School |
| 5A | - Warner Robins High School |
| 4A | - Thomas County Central |
| 3A | - Franklin County High School |
| 2A | - Davidson Fine Arts |
| A Public | - Georgia Military College |
| A Private | - Lakeview Academy |

VOLLEYBALL

- | | |
|---------------|-----------------------------|
| 7A | - Walton High School |
| 6A | - Buford High School |
| 5A | - St. Pius X |
| 4A | - Marist |
| 3A | - Greater Atlanta Christian |
| 2A / A Public | - Pace Academy |
| A Private | - Mt. Paran |



2021-22 Coed State Cheerleading Champs: Northgate
(The rest of the cheerleading champions are pictured on page 7)

2021 GHSA-Tommy Gullebeau Football Championships

All Games Live December 9-11 From Center Parc Stadium

The 10th annual GHSA-Tommy Gullebeau State Football Championships, presented by Farm Bureau Insurance, will again be televised live by Georgia Public Broadcasting beginning this year with the title games in three divisions of girls Flag Football.

This year's finals will take place on Thursday through Saturday, December 9-11, at Georgia State University's Center Parc Stadium.

Tickets are \$20 and include all the games of that day. Tickets are available only on [GoFan](#). Paper tickets will not be available for purchase at the stadium.

Besides the live television coverage, the games also will be streamed live on [GPB.org](#) and [NFHSNetwork.com](#), as well as being radio broadcast on the GNN Network and 680 The Fan.

The action will begin at 11:00 a.m., on Thursday, December 9, with the Division 1 Flag Football final, followed at 12:45 p.m., by the Division 2 Flag championship and at 2:30 p.m., by the Division 3 Flag title match.

The boys then take over with the Class A Private final kicking off at 5:00 p.m., followed by the Class A Public championship at 8:00 p.m.

Then on Friday, December 10, the action starts at 12 noon with the Class 2A title game, followed at 3:30 p.m., by



the Class 4A final and at 7:00 p.m., by the Class 6A championship matchup.

Saturday's schedule starts at noon again with the Class 3A final, followed at 3:30 p.m., by the 5A title match and at 7:00 p.m., by the Class 7A championship.

This year's on-air talent for GPB's coverage includes Matt Stewart, Wayne Gandy, Jon Nelson, Hannah Goodin, Nikki Noto Palmer, Larry Smith, Sam Crenshaw, Rusty Mansell, Tabitha Turner and Wiley Ballard.

All games will be televised live throughout the state of Georgia and into parts of Florida, Alabama and Tennessee.

GPB has nine television stations across Georgia and is in more than 98 percent of the homes in the state. GPB is the third largest PBS station in the country based on population reach and has been the most watched public station in the country on the days of the football championship broadcasts.

DVD orders of the championship games will be available at [NFHSNetwork.com/GHSA](#). The games will be available on demand at [gpb.org/sports](#).



Warner Robins is one of seven defending state champions making it back to the Semifinals. Grayson, Buford, Pierce County, Callaway, Prince Avenue and Irwin County are the others.

December 3 Semifinal Matchups

Class 7A
Walton at Milton
Grayson at Collins Hill

Class 6A
Dacula at Hughes
Carrollton at Buford

Class 5A
Warner Robins at Creekside
Blessed Trinity at Calhoun

Class 4A
Cedartown at Carver-Columbus
North Oconee at Benedictine

Class 3A
Appling County at Cedar Grove
Carver-Atlanta at Pierce County

Class 2A
Fitzgerald at Swainsboro
Callaway at Thomasville

Class A Private
Trinity Christian at ELCA
Prince Avenue at Fellowship Christian

Class A Public
Wilcox County at Irwin County
Brooks County at Metter

Girls State Cross Country Champions - 2021



7A: Marietta



6A: North Atlanta



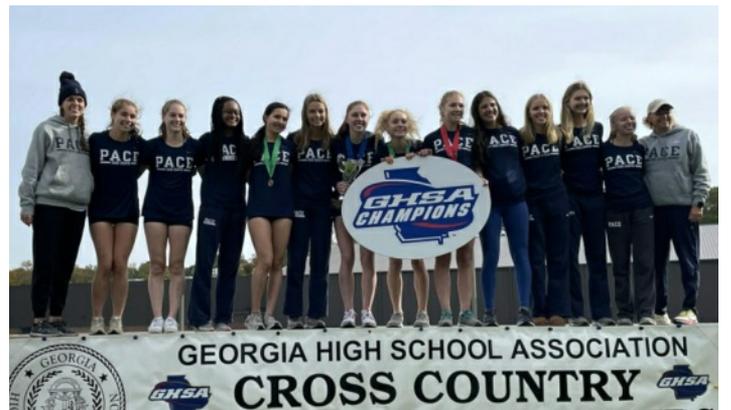
5A: St. Pius



4A: Marist



3A: Westminster



2A: Pace Academy



A (public): Armuchee



A (private): Wesleyan

Boys State Cross Country Champions - 2021



7A: Mill Creek



6A: Richmond Hill



5A: Decatur



4A: Chestatee



3A: Westminster



2A: Pace Academy



A (public): Armuchee



A (private): Whitefield Academy

State Volleyball Champions - 2021



7A: Walton



6A: Buford



5A: St. Pius



4A: Marist



3A: Greater Atlanta Christian



2A / A Public: Pace Academy



A Private: Mt. Paran

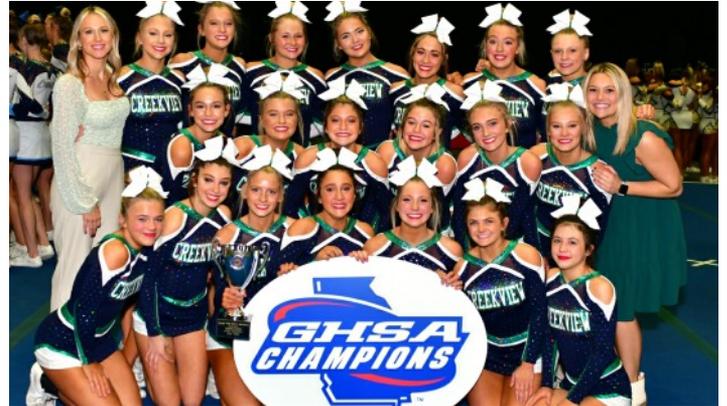


Photographs of the state championship Volleyball teams were provided by Cecil Copeland and Chrystal Moore.

State Cheerleading Champions - 2021-22



7A: South Forsyth



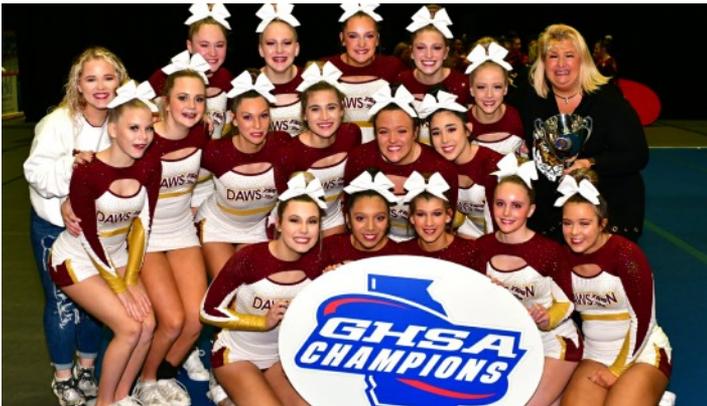
6A: Creekview



5A: McIntosh



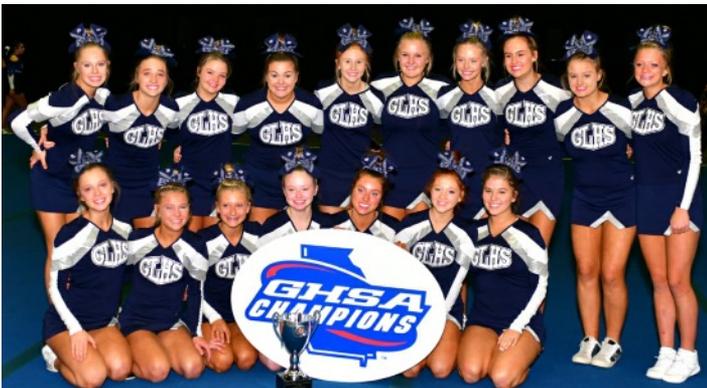
4A: Jefferson



3A: Dawson County



2A: Bleckley County



A Public: Gordon Lee



A Private: Mt. Paran

State One Act Play Champions - 2021-22



7A: Milton



6A: Houston County



5A: Warner Robins



4A: Thomas County Central



3A: Franklin County



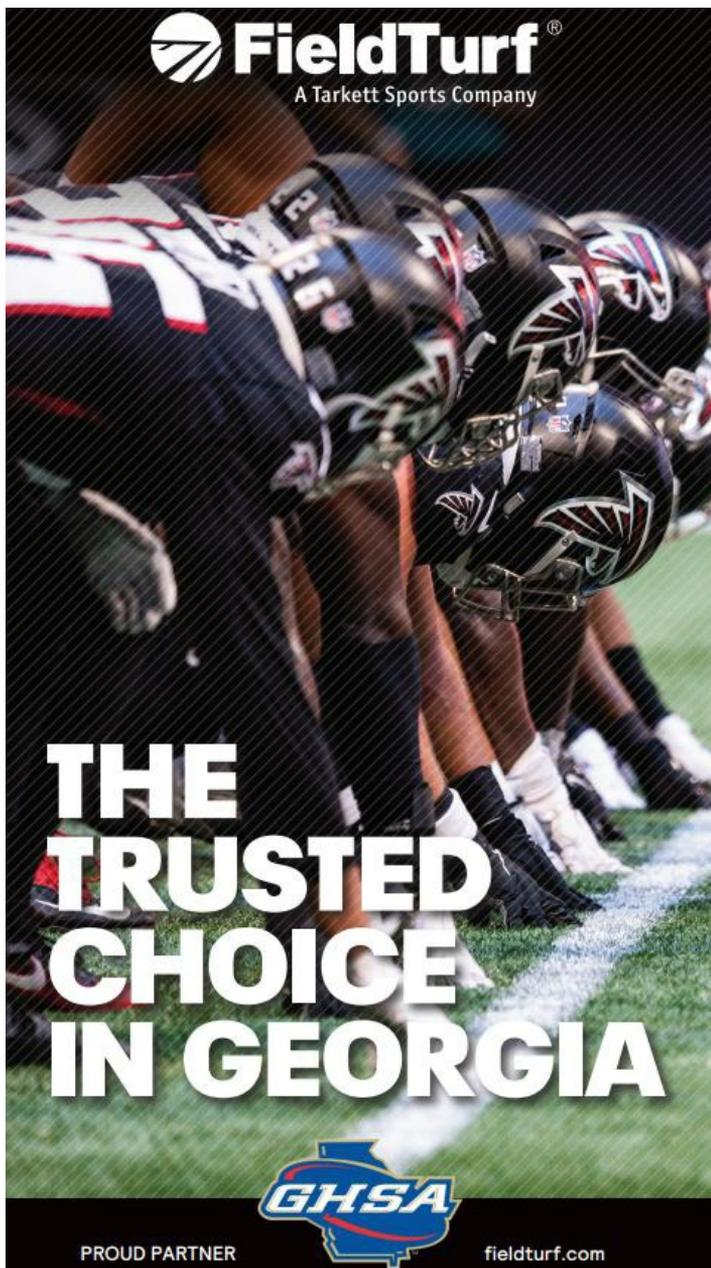
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A Public: Georgia Military College



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GHSA - December 2021 / January 2022 Calendar

December

- 2 Quarterfinal Round Flag Football Playoffs
- 3, 4 Semifinal Round State Football Playoffs
- 6 Semifinal Round Flag Football Playoffs
- 7 Hardship/Appeal Meeting
- 9 Flag Football State Championships
- 9-11 State Championship Football Games
- 14 GHSA Office closes at noon until January 3 for **Christmas Holidays**
- 16 Fall Esports State Championship



January

- 3 Earliest date for Gymnastics, Soccer and Tennis practice
- 7, 8 Dual Wrestling Region/Area Tournaments
- 10 Earliest date for Track practice
- 11 Hardship/Appeal Meeting
- 15 Dual Wrestling Sectional Tournaments

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