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Seasons Greetings and HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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This month's featured licensees are: **Honig's Whistle Stop** (honigs.com) **Cliff Keen** (cliffkeen.com), **Smitty Official's Apparel** (smittyusadyesub.com), officials apparel and equipment; **Nfinity**, official cheerleading apparel (nfinity.com); **CheerSounds**, licensed provider of cheerleading & dance music (cheersounds.com); **Snapphound**, event photo platform to unlock fundraising opportunities (ghsa.snapphound.com/events); and **Thrive Spirit**, providing holistic cheer and dance training with a focus on the whole athlete: mind, body, and spirit (cheerdancethrive.com).

GPB-TV Cheer Special on Nov. 27

Georgia Public Broadcasting will televise a GHSA Cheerleading Championship one-hour special recapping the action in Columbus to air on Wednesday, November 27 at 7:00 p.m., on GPB-TV.



STATE CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to the following GHSA State Champions:

CHEERLEADING

7A
6A
5A
4A
3A
2A
A (public)
A (private)
Co-Ed

Lambert High School
Creekview High School
McIntosh High School
Denmark High School
Pierce County High School
Vidalia High School
Gordon Lee High School
Mt. Paran Christian School
Mill Creek High School

CROSS COUNTRY

7A Girls
7A Boys
6A Girls
6A Boys
5A Girls
5A Boys
4A Girls
4A Boys
3A Girls
3A Boys
2A Girls
2A Boys
A Girls (public)
A Boys (public)
A Girls (private)
A Boys (private)

- Hillgrove High School
- Walton High School
- Cambridge High School
- Harrison High School
- McIntosh High School
- Decatur High School
- St. Pius
- St. Pius
- Westminster
- Westminster
- Bleckley County High School
- Oglethorpe County High School
- ACE Charter
- Commerce
- Holy Innocents'
- Wesleyan

ONE-ACT PLAY

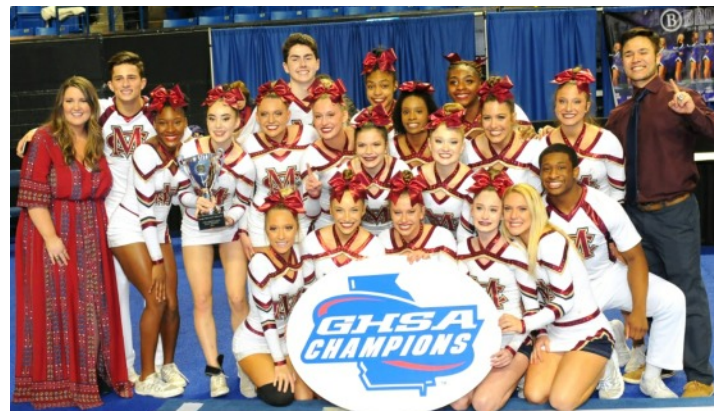
7A
6A
5A
4A
3A
2A
A (public)
A (private)

- Lambert High School
- Glynn Academy
- Buford High School
- Flowery Branch High School
- Ringgold High School
- Gordon Central High School
- Lake Oconee Academy
- Brookstone

VOLLEYBALL

7A
6A
5A
4A
3A
2A
A

- Walton High School
- Allatoona High School
- McIntosh High School
- Blessed Trinity
- Pace Academy
- Coosa High School
- Hebron Christian



2019 CoEd State Cheerleading Champions: Mill Creek
(The rest of the cheerleading champions are pictured on page 6)

2019 GHSA-Tommy Guillebeau Football Championships

All Games Live on Dec. 13 & 14 From Georgia State Stadium

The eighth annual GHSA-Tommy Guillebeau State Football Championships, presented by Farm Bureau Insurance, will again be televised live by Georgia Public Broadcasting – this year from a new location. The games return to the weekend, after last year's Tuesday/Wednesday schedule, but this year from Georgia State Stadium.

GPB's coverage will begin at 10:00 a.m., on Friday, December 13, with the Class A private school game. The lineup for the remainder of the day includes the Class 2A game at 1:00 p.m., followed by the Class 5A game at 4:30 p.m., and the Class 6A game at 8 p.m.

On Saturday, Dec. 14, eight more teams will compete for state titles. Up first at 10:00 a.m., is the Class A public school title game. At 1:00 p.m., it's the Class 3A game. At 4:30 p.m., it's the 4A title game, and at 8:00 p.m., the 7A final.

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, Lericia Harris and Wiley Ballard.



All games will be televised live throughout the state of Georgia and into parts of Florida, Alabama and Tennessee on Georgia Public Broadcasting and streamed live at GPB.org/sports and NFHSNetwork.com/GHSA.

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.

Find out more about GPB's high school sports coverage on gpb.org/sports and at www.facebook.com/gpbsports.

Watch 'Q&A With Dr. Hines' on Website

Watch "Q & A with Dr. Hines," a series of videos on GHSA.net about the Georgia High School Association and a variety of topics about scholastic sports and activities. The interview style format with GHSA Executive Director Robin Hines will provide insight into commonly asked questions and issues.

We encourage your school to place this link on your athletic website to further inform your community and parents. The project was produced by Consume Media (<https://consume-media.com/>).

Watch at <https://www.ghsa.net/qa-robin-hines-ghsa-executive-director>.

Get 10% Off Purchase at Subway

Coaches, umpires & officials use your GHSA ID card for 10% off your entire purchase at all statewide Subway restaurants.

So whether it is a meal for yourself or feeding the whole team, make sure to enjoy a healthy, delicious sandwich from Subway®! Find a Subway near you at subway.com.



Fundraising Photos from Snapphound

Now you can digitally share your school's memorable event photos with your community, while raising money at the same time! The GHSA has partnered with Snapphound to display photos from state championship events at <https://ghsa.snapphound.com/events>. Snapphound can be your online home for school photos to create new social media, marketing and fundraising opportunities!

Features:

- Fully customize a branded, online, community destination for your photos
- No upfront fees; FREE unlimited gallery and photo uploads
- Showcase photos from anyone you designate - hired pros, local enthusiasts, students, event participants, etc. - and choose your photo price, even free!
- Use Snapphound tools to promote galleries via all your marketing channels
- Utilize in-gallery promotional space to spread the word to your community about upcoming events, special offers, etc.
- Keep 90% of any donations or photo sales proceeds you receive through Snapphound from your community!*

Sign up at ghsa.snapphound.com today to get started!

*Net of standard credit card fees



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Girls State Cross Country Champions - 2019



7A: Hillgrove



6A: Cambridge



5A: McIntosh



4A: St. Pius



3A: Westminster



2A: Bleckley County



A Public: ACE Charter



A Private: Holy Innocents'

Boys State Cross Country Champions - 2019



7A: Walton



6A: Harrison



5A: Decatur



4A: St. Pius



3A: Westminster



2A: Oglethorpe County



A Public: Commerce



A Private: Wesleyan

State Cheerleading Champions - 2019



7A: Lambert



6A: Creekview



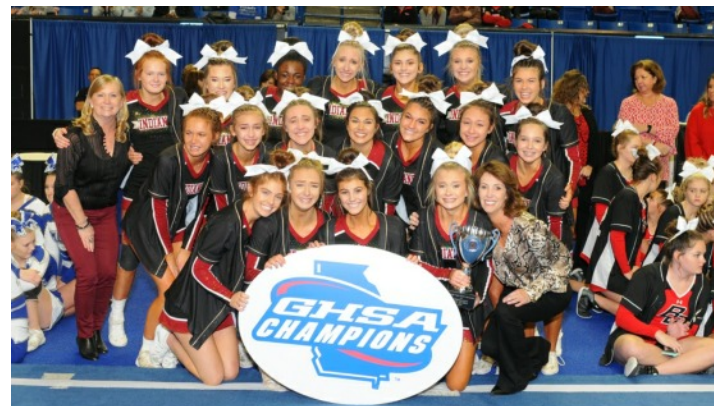
5A: McIntosh



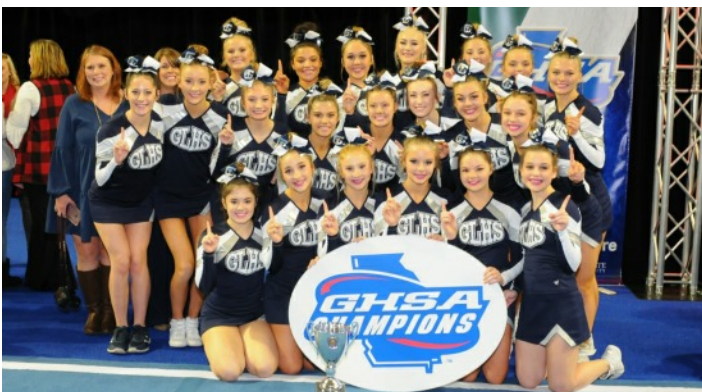
4A: Denmark



3A: Pierce County



2A: Vidalia



A (public): Gordon Lee



A (private): Mt. Paran

State Volleyball Champions - 2019



7A: Walton



6A: Allatoona



5A: McIntosh



4A: Blessed Trinity



3A: Pace Academy



A / 2A Public: Coosa

Photographs in this newsletter of the state championship Cross Country teams were provided by pinionphotography.com, while photos of the championship Volleyball teams were provided by Cecil Copeland at [Athletic Image](http://AthleticImage.com) and [Chrystal Moore Photography](http://ChrystalMoorePhotography.com). And photos of the winning cheerleading teams were provided by [Unforgettable Moments](http://UnforgettableMoments.com).



A / 2A Private: Hebron Christian

Proposed Region Alignments for School Years 2020-2022

Listed below by class and by region are the proposed Region Alignments proposed by the GHSA Reclassification Committee for the 2020-2022 school years. These alignments will have to be ratified by the full State Executive Committee at a called meeting on December 11.

CLASS 7A

Region 1

Camden Co.
Colquitt Co.
Lowndes
Tift County

Region 2

Campbell
East Coweta
McEachern
Newnan
Pebblebrook

Region 3

Harrison
Hillgrove
Marietta
North Cobb
North Paulding
Walton

Region 4

Brookwood
Grayson
Newton
Parkview
Shiloh
South Gwinnett

Region 5

Alpharetta
Cherokee
Etowah
Milton
Roswell
Woodstock

Region 6

Denmark
Forsyth Central
Gainesville
Lambert
North Forsyth
South Forsyth
West Forsyth

Region 7

Archer
Berkmar
Discovery
Duluth
Dunwoody
Meadowcreek
Norcross

Region 8

Collins Hill
Mill Creek
Mountain View
North Gwinnett
Peachtree Ridge

CLASS 6A

Region 1

Houston County
Lee County
Northside-WR
Valdosta

Region 2

Bradwell Institute
Brunswick
Effingham County
Glynn Academy
Richmond Hill

South Effingham
Statesboro

Region 3

Alcovy
Evans
Grovetown
Heritage-Conyers
Lakeside-Evans
Rockdale County

Region 4

Hughes
Lakeside-DeKalb
Lovejoy
Morrow
North Atlanta
Tucker
Westlake

Region 5

Alexander
Carrollton
Dalton
Douglas County
East Paulding
Paulding County
Rome
South Paulding

Region 6

Allatoona
Kell
Kennesaw Mtn.
Lassiter
Osborne
Pope
South Cobb
Sprayberry
Wheeler

Region 7

Cambridge
Centennial
Chattahoochee
Creekview
Johns Creek
River Ridge
Riverwood
Sequoyah

Region 8

Buford
Central Gwinnett
Dacula
Habersham Cent.
Lanier
Winder-Barrow

CLASS 5A

Region 1

Coffee
Veterans
Ware County
Warner Robins
Wayne County

Region 2

Griffin
Harris County
McIntosh
Northgate
Northside-Col.
Starr's Mill
Whitewater

Region 3

Banneker
Creekside
Drew
Forest Park
Jonesboro
Mundy's Mill
Tri-Cities
Woodward Acad.

Region 4

Dutchtown
Eagle's Landing
Jones County
Locust Grove
Ola
Stockbridge
Union Grove
Woodland-Henry

Region 5

Chamblee
Clarkston
Cross Keys
Decatur
Lithonia
M.L. King
Northview
SW DeKalb
St. Pius
Stone Mountain

Region 6

Chapel Hill
Grady
Jackson-Atlanta
Lithia Springs
New Manchester
North Springs
Villa Rica

Region 7

Blessed Trinity
Calhoun
Cartersville
Cass
Hiram
Woodland-Bartow

Region 8

Apalachee
Clarke Central
Eastside
Greenbrier
Jackson County
Johnson-Gaines.
Loganville
Walnut Grove

CLASS 4A

Region 1

Bainbridge
Cairo
Dougherty
Monroe
Thomas Co. Cent.
Westover

Region 2

Carver-Columbus
Columbus
Hardaway
Jordan
Kendrick
LaGrange

Shaw
Spencer
Troup

Region 3

Benedictine
Islands
Jenkins
New Hampstead

Region 4

Baldwin
Howard
Perry
Rutland
Spalding
West Laurens
Union Grove
Westside-Macon

Region 5

Fayette County
Hampton
Luella
McDonough
Mt. Zion-Jones.
North Clayton
Riverdale

Region 6

Arabia Mountain
Druid Hills
Hapeville Charter
Marist
Mays
Miller Grove
Stephenson

Region 7

Cedartown
Central-Carroll
Heritage-Catoosa
NW Whitfield
Pickens
Ridgeland
SE Whitfield

Region 8

Cedar Shoals
Chestatee
East Hall
Flowery Branch
Jefferson
Madison County
North Oconee

CLASS 3A

Region 1

Appling County
Brantley County
Long County
Pierce County
Tattnall County

Region 2

Americus-Sumter
Central-Macon
Crisp County
Jackson
Mary Persons
Peach County
Pike County
Upson-Lee

Region 3

Beach
Groves
Johnson-Sav.

Liberty County
Savannah
SE Bulloch
Windsor Forest
*Savannah Arts

Region 4

Burke County
Cross Creek
Harlem
Hephzibah
Morgan County
Richmond Acad.
Thomson

Region 5

Carver-Atlanta
Cedar Grove
Douglass-Atlanta
GACS
Redan
Salem
Sandy Creek
Westminster

Region 6

Adairsville
Coahulla Creek
LaFayette
Lakeview-Ft. Ogle.
Murray County
North Murray
Ringgold
Rockmart
Sonoraville

Region 7

Cherokee Bluff
Dawson County
#East Forsyth
Gilmer
Lumpkin County
North Hall
West Hall
White County

Region 8

East Jackson
Franklin County
Hart County
Monroe Area
Oconee County
Stephens County

CLASS 2A

Region 1

Berrien
Cook
Early County
Fitzgerald
Thomasville
Worth County

Region 2

Bacon County
East Laurens
Jeff Davis
Swainsboro
Toombs County
Vidalia
*Woodville-Tomp.

Region 3

Bleckley County
Dodge County
Lamar County
Monticello

Northeast
Southwest
Washington Co.

Region 4

Butler
Glenn Hills
Jefferson County
Josey
Laney
Oglethorpe Co.
Putnam County
Westside-Aug.
*Davidson Arts
*Johnson-Aug.
*Tech. Car. Mag.

Region 5

Bremen
Callaway
Haralson County
Heard County
Temple

Region 6

Columbia
KIPP Atlanta
Lovett
McNair
Pace Academy
South Atlanta
Therrell
Towers
Washington
*C.S. King
*Elite Scholars
*Stillwell Arts

Region 7

Chattooga
Coosa
Dade County
Fannin County
Gordon Central
Model
Pepperell

Region 8

Banks County
Elbert County
Rabun County
Riverside Military
Union County

CLASS A-Private

Region 1

Deerfield-Windsor
First Presbyterian
Mount de Sales
Stratford Acad.
Strong Rock
Tattnall Square

Region 2

ELCA
Landmark Christ.
Our Lady Mercy
Whitefield Acad.
*Atlanta Jewish
*Ben Franklin
*Greenforest
*Paideia
*SW Atl. Christian
*WD Mohammed

Region 3

Aquinas

Calvary Day
Savannah Christ.
Sav. Country Day
*St. Vincent's

Region 4

Brookstone
Heritage-Coweta
St. Anne-Pacelli
Trinity Christian

Region 5

Hebron Christian
Holy Innocents'
Mount Vernon
Providence
Wesleyan
*Atl. International
*Galloway

Region 6

Fellowship Christ.
King's Ridge
Lakeview Acad.
Mount Pisgah
Pinecrest Acad.
St. Francis
*Brandon Hall
*Mt. Bethel
*Weber School

Region 7

Christian Heritage
Darlington
Mount Paran
N. Cobb Christian
Walker
*Excel Christian

Region 8

Athens Academy
Athens Christian
George Walton
Loganville Christ.
Prince Avenue
*Tallulah Falls

CLASS A-Public

Region 1

Baconton Charter
Brooks County
Calhoun County
Warren County
Wilkinson County
*Ga. Acad. Blind
*GSC
*Taliaferro Co.

Region 2

Atkinson County
Charlton County
Clinch County
Irwin County
Lanier County
Turner County
*Echols County

Region 3

Bryan Co.
Claxton
Emanuel Co. Inst.

Jenkins Co.
McIntosh Co. Ac.
Metter
Portal
Screven County
*Sav. Classical
*Sav. Early Col.
*Steam Academy

Region 4

Dooly County
Dublin
Hawkinsville
Johnson County
Montgomery Co.
Telfair County
Trenton
Wheeler County
Wilcox County

Region 5

Central-Talbot.
Chatt. County
Greenville
Macon County
Manchester
Marion County
Schley County
Stewart County
Taylor County
*Furlow Charter
*Rainey-McCull.

Region 6

Armuchee
BEST Academy
Bowdon
Gordon Lee
Mt. Zion-Carroll
Trion
*Atl. Classical
*DeKalb Arts
*Drew Charter
*Fulton Leadership
*Ga. School Deaf
*Morris Innovative

Region 7

ACE Charter
Crawford County
Georgia Military
Glascok County
Hancock Central
Twiggs County
Warren County
Wilkinson County
*Ga. Acad. Blind
*GSC
*Taliaferro Co.

Region 8

Commerce
Greene County
Lincoln County
Social Circle
Towns County
Wash.-Wilkes
*Barrow
*Lake Oconee
*Woody Gap

*School Does Not
Play Football

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GHSA - December 2019 / January 2020 Calendar

December

- 6, 7 Semifinal Round State Football Playoffs
- 10 Hardship/Appeal Meeting
- 13, 14 Championship Round State Football Playoffs at Georgia State Stadium
- 17 GHSA Office closes at noon until January 6 for **Christmas Holidays**

January

- 6 Earliest date for Gymnastics & Tennis practice
- 7 Hardship/Appeal Meeting
- 10,11 Dual Wrestling Area Tournaments
- 13 Earliest date for Baseball, Soccer and Track practice
- 16-18 Dual Wrestling State Tournaments
- 20 M.L. King Day - GHSA Office closed
- 20 Earliest date for Lacrosse practice
- 21 Hardship/Appeal Meeting
- 27 Deadline for notification of entry in Literary; first play date in Tennis & Gymnastics
- 31 Traditional Wrestling Area Tournaments



The GHSA Staff Wishes You and Yours The Best of the Season



**HAPPY
HOLIDAYS**



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