

**GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION
BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES FOR 2017-2018**

*Revised
3/5/18*

ACTIVITY	DATE FOR FIRST PRACTICE	FIRST CONTEST	MAXIMUM GAMES/DATES	LAST PLAY DATE	AREA/REGION QUALIFIERS DETERMINED	GHSA STATE PLAYOFF DATES				
						First Round/Sectionals	Second Round	Quarterfinals	Semifinals	Finals
FOOTBALL	July 25 (Conditioning) Feb. 1 or later (Spring)	Aug. 18	10 (7 JV)	Nov. 4	Nov. 4	Nov. 10-11	Nov. 17-18	Nov. 24-25	Dec. 1-2	Dec. 8-9
CHEERLEADING	Aug. 1 Feb. 1 or later (Spring)	Aug. 5	6 (4 JV)	Nov. 3	Nov. 4	Nov. 4 (Class A & Coed)			Nov. 10 (Coed & A Finals)	Nov. 11
SOFTBALL (FP) SOFTBALL (SP)	Aug. 1 Feb. 19	Aug. 4 Feb. 24	26 (18 JV) 16	Oct. 7 March 31	Oct. 7 March 31	Oct. 11-14 April 11	Oct. 18-19		Oct. 26-27	Oct. 28 April 17-18
VOLLEYBALL	Aug. 1	Aug. 4	18 (13 JV) Dates	Oct. 7	Oct. 7	Oct. 11-12	Oct. 17 (AA 1st Rnd)	Oct. 21	Oct. 25	Oct. 28
CROSS COUNTRY	Aug. 1	Aug. 7	10 (7 JV) Dates	Oct. 28	Oct. 28					Nov. 3-4
ONE ACT PLAYS	Aug. 1	Aug. 4	–	Oct. 28	Oct. 28					Nov. 4 & Nov. 11
LITERARY	Aug. 1	Aug. 4	–	March 6	March 6					March 17
RIFLERY	Aug. 1	Oct. 30	–	March 17	March 17	March 31			April 14	April 28
SWIMMING	Oct. 16	Oct. 30	10 (7 JV)							Feb. 1-3
BASKETBALL	Oct. 30	Nov. 11	25 (18 JV)	Feb. 10	Feb. 10	Feb. 16-17	Feb. 21-22	Feb. 27-28	March 2-3	March 7-10
WRESTLING	Oct. 23	Nov. 10	20 (14 JV) Dates	Jan. 26	Du - By Jan. 6 Tr - Jan. 26-27	Tr - Feb. 2-3				Du - Jan. 11-13 Tr - Feb. 8-10
GYMNASTICS	Jan. 8	Jan. 29	10 (7 JV)	April 12		April 14				April 20
TENNIS	Jan. 8	Jan. 29	18 (13 JV)	April 14	April 14	By April 20 (Class A Areas)	By April 26 (Class A 1st Round)	By May 2	By May 8	May 12
SOCCER	Jan. 15	Feb. 5	18 (13 JV)	April 21	April 19	April 24-27	May 1-2	May 4-5	May 8	May 11-12
TRACK Girls & Boys	Jan. 15	Feb. 5	10 (7 JV)	April 21	April 21	April 28				May 10-12
BASEBALL	Jan. 15	Feb. 12	30 (21 JV)	April 21	April 21	April 26-27	May 3-4	May 9-10	May 15-16	May 21-23
LACROSSE	Jan. 22	Feb. 12	18 (13 JV)	April 28	April 28	May 2-3 (6A-7A only)	May 7-8 (1st Round A-5A)	May 10-11	May 15-16	May 19
GOLF	Feb. 12	Feb. 17	12 (8 JV) Dates	May 8	May 8					May 21-22

NOTE: 2018 "DEAD" WEEK: Sunday, July 1 through Saturday, July 7, 2018 – GHSA Office closed.