



# GHSA NEWSLETTER

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## Dr. Scott's Newsletter Address

### Celebrating Excellence Across Georgia's Member Schools

As we move through another exciting winter season, the Georgia High School Association is proud to recognize the outstanding achievements, sportsmanship, and dedication demonstrated by our student-athletes, coaches, activity leaders, officials, and school communities across the state. Thank you for your continued commitment to fostering excellence both in and out of competition.



### Basketball Season Highlights

Winter basketball is in full swing, and our boys' and girls' teams across all classifications continue to showcase exceptional talent and competitiveness.

- Region play is intensifying as teams work toward seeding for the upcoming state playoffs.
- We appreciate our officials who are working tirelessly to cover a demanding winter schedule.
- Please remind your communities of the importance of positive fan engagement and adherence to GHSA sportsmanship expectations.

### Wrestling: Dual State Championships & Traditional Season

Congratulations to our 2026 GHSA Girls Dual Wrestling State Champions:

- Division 1 – Camden County
- Division 2 – Lumpkin County

Congratulations as well to our 2026 GHSA Boys Team Dual Wrestling State Champions:

- 6A – Camden County
- 5A – Creekview
- 4A – Woodland
- 3A – Jefferson
- 2A – Rockmart
- 1A – Social Circle

We are extremely proud of each team's dedication and the exceptional effort shown throughout the duals season.

We now turn our focus to the Boys & Girls Traditional Wrestling State Championships, scheduled for:

February 11–14, 2026

Clayton County Convocation Center – Morrow, Georgia

This is a new venue for GHSA wrestling, and we look forward to an exciting championship experience for athletes and fans.

### **Swimming & Diving**

GHSA swimmers and divers across all classifications are participating in the State Championships at Georgia Tech. We wish each participant the very best! Championship details will be posted soon on GHSA.net

### **Sportsmanship Emphasis**

GHSA continues to emphasize respect, integrity, and positive behavior at all events.

Please ensure:

- Coaches reinforce sportsmanship expectations with athletes.
- Game administrators remain visible and proactive.
- Encourage fans model positive support for all competitors and officials.

Your commitment helps maintain safe, fair, and encouraging environments for every student-athlete.

### **Looking Ahead**

As winter championships unfold, GHSA is preparing for a busy and exciting spring season. Please continue to review all GHSA updates, by-law reminders, and digital ticketing information through GHSA.net and weekly communication from the GHSA office.

We are grateful for your leadership and partnership in supporting the 2025–2026 school year.

On behalf of the Georgia High School Association, thank you for all you do to support students across our state. We look forward to celebrating even more accomplishments as the winter season continues.

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## **GHSA Associate Director Job Posting**

Applications are now being taken for the position of Associate Director of the GHSA.

### **MAJOR RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Sports administrator – seasonal sports / activities; manage state championship events in assigned sports.
- Specific sports' duties may be adjusted after hiring
- GHSA policies and by-laws interpreter
- Student eligibility reviews and decisions
- Job related travel
- Assist Executive Director in any and all association tasks and objectives



#### **PERSONAL / PROFESSIONAL CHARACTERISTICS:**

- Strong knowledge of high school sports
- Strong knowledge of the GHSA Constitution and By-Laws; student eligibility rules
- Strong inter personal skills to build and maintain relationships with member schools
- Knowledge of operational policies and procedures through the Georgia Department of Education

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Minimal: Bachelor's Degree with field related experience
- Preferred: Master's Degree and/or beyond with field related experience

#### **LOCATION:**

- Candidates must be able to regularly work in the Thomaston office.

#### **SALARY & BENEFITS:**

- Salary commensurate with education and experience. Excellent benefits are available.

#### **BEGINNING DATE: TBD**

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

**Open until filled (Send letter and resume to GHSA address below)**

**1. Letter of interest with full contact information**

**2. Career resume**

**3. List of references**

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# A quicker path forward, designed for students



## Not everyone takes the same path after high school, and that's a good thing.

For those who are interested in a faster, hands-on route toward a career, technical training can open doors to exciting opportunities.

At Universal Technical Institute, students gain hands-on practice with technology used in transportation, skilled trades and energy industries.<sup>1</sup> Program lengths are all two years or less (most programs are less than a year!), helping to move students forward at a pace that gets them into the field faster.

### Trade school can be a strong choice for those who:

- Want a streamlined, career-focused education.
- Learn best by doing.
- Are interested in industries with high demand.
- Thrive when they can see progress fast.
- Seek a supportive environment designed to prepare them for the workforce.



Scan to see how our training can prepare students for a real career sooner.<sup>2</sup>

Read: [Get the inside scoop on our newest campus!](#)

<sup>1</sup>UTI now offers all of its automotive, diesel, motorcycle and marine technician training in a blended-learning format consisting of online lecture courses along with in-person, hands-on lab training. <sup>2</sup>UTI is an educational institution and cannot guarantee employment or salary. For program outcome information and other disclosures, visit [www.uti.edu/disclosures](http://www.uti.edu/disclosures).



## Congratulations to the 2026 GHSA Boys Team Dual Wrestling Champions!

The 2026 GHSA Boys Team Dual Wrestling State Championships were held January 16-17 at six (6) school sites. 4A & 5A state titles decided by one-point.

Congratulations to State Champions: Camden County (6A, 12 straight), Creekview (5A, Back-to-Back), Woodland-Cartersville (4A, Last won 2021), Jefferson (3A, Back-to-Back). Rockmart (2A, Five straight) and Social Circle (1A, Back-to-Back).

Much appreciation to the six (6) host school sites, wrestling officials, GHSA staff, Takedown Sportswear, NFHS Network, BPI Photography, TrackWrestling, FloWrestling, GoFan, sponsors, table workers, volunteers, teams, wrestlers and fans.



### Brackets

1A - Social Circle 56, Elbert Co. 13

2A - Rockmart 42, East Jackson 31

3A - Jefferson 57, Troup 21

4A - Woodland, Cartersville 36, Cass 35

5A - Creekview 36, South Effingham 35

6A - Camden County 55, Buford 16

### Past State Champions

## Merchandise

State championship merchandise can be ordered at [Takedown Sportswear](#).

## Photography

Action photography will be available for order at [BPI Photography](#).

## Video

Watch matches on [NFHS Network](#) free on demand three days after the event. Digital downloads available to order at [NFHS Network](#).



**1A - Social Circle**



**2A - Rockmart**



**3A - Jefferson**



**4A - Woodland,  
Cartersville**



**5A - Creekview**



**6A - Camden County**

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## **Congratulations to the 2026 GHSA Girls Team Dual Wrestling Champions!**

The 2026 GHSA Girls Team Dual Wrestling State Championship was held January 23 at Carrollton and Lumpkin County HS. Congratulations to Camden (D1), who captured their first title, and Lumpkin County (D2), with their second straight top trophy. [View past state champions](#). Much appreciation to host Carrollton HS, Lumpkin Co. HS, wrestling officials, GHSA staff, Takedown Sportswear, NFHS Network, TrackWrestling, FloWrestling, GoFan, sponsors, table workers, volunteers, teams, wrestlers and fans.

## Merchandise

State championship merchandise can be ordered at [Takedown Sportswear](#).

## Photos

Order action photos by [BPI Photography](#).

## Video

Digital downloads available to order at NFHS Network. <https://bit.ly/4bQcfe3>

## Event Fan Guide

A [Digital Fan Guide](#) is available for free download. Produced by Score Atlanta.

## **Brackets**

### Girls Team Dual Championship



Camden County



Lumpkin County

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## **2026 GHSA Boys/Girls/COED 3-Point Shooting Contest Registration - BSN Sports**

The 2026 GHSA Boys/Girls/COED 3-Point Shooting Contest will take place February 7-8 (Prelims), February 21-22 (Semifinals), and March 11-13 (Finals). Complete and submit the registration form below to enter the contest.

### COMPETITION ROUNDS

- Preliminary rounds will be held on February 7-8 at the following sites:
  - Lowndes HS - Feb. 7 @ 10:00 AM
  - Perry HS - Feb. 7 @ 10:00 AM
  - Eagles Landing HS - Feb. 7 @ 2:00 PM
  - Dawson County HS - Feb. 8 @ 2:00 PM
  - Cherokee HS - Feb. 8 @ 2:00 PM
- Semifinal rounds will be held on February 21-22 at the following sites:
  - Perry HS - Feb. 21 @ 10:00 AM
  - Eagles Landing HS - Feb. 21 @ 2:00 PM
  - River Ridge HS - Feb. 22 @ 2:00 PM
- Final round will be held at the Basketball Finals at the Macon Centreplex
  - March 11 - Boys
  - March 12 - Girls
  - March 13 - Coed



### Contest Information

### Waiver of Liability Form

**You must bring a signed copy of the Waiver of Liability Form to each round.**

**Registration Form: [2026 GHSA Boys/Girls/COED 3-Point Shooting Contest Registration Presented by BSN Sports | GHSA.net](#)**

## 2025-2026 Gatorade Georgia Volleyball Player of the Year calls Lovett home

In its 41st year celebrating the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Kari Knotts** of **Lovett School** is the **2025-26 Gatorade Georgia Volleyball Player of the Year**.



Gatorade Player of the Year is the top honor in high school sports, celebrating the nation's best high school athletes for their excellence in sport, academics and community. The award recognizes Knotts as Georgia's best high school volleyball player, and she joins an elite legacy that spans professional athletes and coaches to CEOs, such as Kerri Walsh Jennings (1995-96, Archbishop Mitty High School, CA), April Ross (1999-00, Newport Harbor High School, CA) and Campbell Flynn (2024-25, Mercy High School, MI).

The 6-foot-3 freshman outside hitter racked up 631 kills for an average of 6.5 per set along with a .501 hitting percentage this past season, leading the Lions (42-3) to the GHSA Private Division state championship. The nation's No. 1 ranked player in her class by PrepVolleyball.com, Knotts added 221 digs and 84 service aces last fall. Also, the American Volleyball Coaches Association National Player of the Year, she was named the MVP and Best Spiker of the 2025 NORCECA Girls U19 Pan American Cup while playing for gold medal-winning Team USA.

A Junior National Honor Society member, Knotts has volunteered locally as a mentor at BRXND Sportsplex, a training facility in Atlanta. She also has donated her time as part of multiple community service initiatives through the Martin Luther King Jr. service campaign, The Dream Just Got Bigger. "Beyond her performance on the court, Kari stands out for her discipline, resilience, and leadership," said Lovett School coach Cheryl Weaver. "She continues to navigate adversity with maturity beyond her years, balancing high-level competition with academic and personal responsibility."

Knotts has maintained an A average in the classroom. She will begin her sophomore year of high school in the fall.

The [Gatorade Player of the Year](#) program annually recognizes one state winner from each of the 50 states and Washington D.C., in 12 different sports: football, girls' volleyball, boys' and girls' cross country, boys' and girls' basketball, baseball, softball, boys' and girls' soccer, and boys and girls track & field. In total, 610 high school athletes are honored each year. From the pool of state winners, one national winner is selected in each of the 12 sports. The selection process is administered by the Gatorade Player of the Year Selection Committee, which leverages experts including coaches, scouts, media and others as sources to help evaluate and determine the winners in each sport.

As part of Gatorade's commitment to breaking down barriers in sport, every Player of the Year also receives a grant to donate to a social impact partner. To date, the Gatorade Player of the Year program has provided more than \$6.4 million in grants to winners across more than 2,200 organizations.

To learn more about the Gatorade Player of the Year program, check out past winners or to nominate student-athletes, visit [playeroftheyear.gatorade.com](http://playeroftheyear.gatorade.com) or follow us on social media on Instagram at [instagram.com/Gatorade](https://www.instagram.com/Gatorade), Facebook at [facebook.com/GatoradePOY](https://www.facebook.com/GatoradePOY) and X (Twitter) at [x.com/Gatorade](https://www.x.com/Gatorade).

## 2025-2026 Gatorade Georgia Girls Cross Country Player of the Year Cross Country

In its 41st year celebrating the nation's best high school athletes, Gatorade today announced **Averi Lowen of Bowdon High School** is the **2025-26 Gatorade Georgia Girls Cross Country Player of the Year**.

Gatorade Player of the Year is the top honor in high school sports, celebrating the nation's best high school athletes for their excellence in sport, academics and community. The award recognizes Lowen as Georgia's best high school girls cross country athlete, and she joins an elite legacy that spans professional athletes and coaches to CEOs, such as Jordan Hasay (2008-09, Mission College Preparatory Catholic High School, CA), Katelyn Tuohy (2017-18, 2018-19 & 2019-20, North Rockland High School, NY) and Jane Hedengren (2024-25, Timpview High School, UT).

The state's returning Gatorade Player of the Year, the 5-foot-8 junior won her third straight GHSA Class 1A Division 2 state title this past season in a course record time of 16:56.2. Lowen set five meet records and five course records during last fall. Her biggest triumphs came via wins at the Great American Cross Country Festival and the NXN Southeast Regional.

Lowen has volunteered locally on behalf of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She also has donated her time mentoring members of a middle school team. "Competing as the lone member of the school's girls cross country team in a city of 2,500 residents, Averi Lowen has elevated her small-town talents to prodigious levels," said Rich Gonzalez of PrepCalTrack. "Making her debut on the national prep stage this season, she earned All-American status at both national championships while remaining unbeaten against in-state rivals, shattering numerous course records in the process. She's the best female distance talent the Peach State has ever seen." Lowen has maintained a 4.00 GPA in the classroom. She will begin her senior year of high school this fall.

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## Georgia High Schools Eligible for Grant Funding to Support Girls Flag Football

Every high school in Georgia will be eligible to receive a grant from the Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation, in partnership with the Atlanta Falcons, to either support its existing girls flag football program or launch a girl's flag football program in 2026, the Foundation announced.



In 2025, the Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation provided grant funding to 305 Georgia high schools to support the growth of girl's flag football, including 45 high schools that established new girls flag football programs for their student athletes this past year.

Georgia high schools interested in applying for grant funding to establish a girl's flag football program or support their existing program can do so by visiting [AtlantaFalcons.com/girls-flag-football](https://AtlantaFalcons.com/girls-flag-football).



## OMEGA PSI PHI HOSTS ANNUAL FOOTBALL RECRUITING EVENT

In the ever-evolving landscape of college football recruiting, the men of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Phi Kappa Kappa Chapter, continue their steadfast commitment to providing pathways for high

school athletes. Their dedication is exemplified in the upcoming Brandon Adams Football Recruiting Summit, set to take place on Saturday, February 7, 2026, at Charles R. Drew High School in Riverdale, GA.

Since its inception in 2007, the annual recruiting summit has served as a beacon of hope for aspiring young athletes, assisting more than 200 student-athletes in securing scholarships totaling over \$3 million. What began as a mission to connect student-athletes with college programs has now transformed into a powerful tribute to Brandon Adams, a beloved Georgia Tech football standout and fraternity brother who passed away in 2019.



"Our goal is simple: We want to connect as many high school players with college football programs as possible. We understand that not all young men will make it to the NFL, but we do know the value of a college education. This program serves as a vehicle to provide post-secondary opportunities and a plan for the students who attend," said Coach Alonzo Upshur, program founder and former high school football coach in the Metro Atlanta area.

This year's event is expected to welcome over 300 high school seniors and select juniors, who will have the opportunity to engage directly with representatives from more than 20 college programs spanning from California to Pennsylvania. Due to NCAA recruiting restrictions, participation is limited to Division II, Division III, NAIA, Junior Colleges, and Prep Schools.

#### About the Brandon Adams Football Recruiting Summit

Established in 2007 by the Phi Kappa Kappa Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., the Football Recruiting Summit has provided high school seniors with the opportunity to showcase their talents in front of college recruiters. Since its inception, the summit has facilitated over \$3 million in football scholarship opportunities.

In 2020, the event was officially rebranded as the Brandon Adams Football Recruiting Summit to honor the late Brandon Adams, a standout Georgia Tech football player and cherished fraternity brother. This renaming serves as a lasting tribute to his legacy, reinforcing Omega Psi Phi's commitment to brotherhood, scholarship, and service.

For more information about the Brandon Adams Football Recruiting Summit, please contact Calleb Obumba (678) 464-2611 or Alonzo Upshur (678) 789-0426

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## ***GHSA State Dance Championship Presented by Rebel Athletic***

### **When**

February 11-12, 2026

### **Where**

Akins Arena

Athens GA

### **Venue Info**

## Schedule

## Event Schedule

## Tickets

All Tickets available ONLY on [GoFan!](#)

## How Fans Buy Tickets

## Ticket Prices



# **GHSA Swimming & Diving State Championship**

The 2026 GHSA Diving State Championships will be held January 31, 2026 at Marist School. The 2026 GHSA Swimming State Championships will be held at the Georgia Tech Aquatic Center February 4-7, 2026.

All swimming and diving finals will be streamed live on the NFHS Network to any device for the one low price of \$11.99 good for 30 days of unlimited viewing.



There are scoring divisions for each meet: 1-3A, 4A, 5A, and 6A. Teams will score points against teams in their scoring division only. The top three (3) male and female teams and individuals in each scoring division will be recognized and receive team trophies and medals for their performances.

## [View past state champions](#)

## When

January 31, 2026

February 4-7, 2026

## Where

Marist School (Diving)

3790 Ashford Dunwoody Rd

Atlanta GA 30319

## Directions

Georgia Tech Aquatic Center (Swimming)

## Directions

## Parking Map

Parking must be prepurchased online - [Click Here to Purchase Parking](#) - Parking costs \$15 per session.

## Tickets

Tickets available ONLY at [GoFan](#).

## How Fans Buy Tickets

## Ticket Prices

*Prelim ticket will only be valid for prelim session. A separate ticket will need to be purchased for the Swimming Finals session. Please have your tickets ready to be redeemed prior to arriving at the gate! Thank you.*

## Schedule

## **DIVING – All Diving Events Will be Conducted at Marist School**

Saturday, January 31, 2026

7:00 - 8:20am 5A–6A Open Warm-Ups  
8:20 - 8:50am 5A–6A Girls Warm-Ups  
9:00 - 11:05am 5A–6A Girls Prelims  
11:15 - 11:45am 5A–6A Girls Finals  
11:45am - 12:15pm 5A–6A Boys Warm-Ups  
12:15 - 1:40pm 5A–6A Boys Prelims  
1:45 - 2:15pm 5A–6A Boys Finals  
2:15 - 3:35pm 1A–4A Open Warm-Ups  
3:35 - 3:55pm 1A–4A Girls Warm-Ups  
4:00 - 5:10pm 1A–4A Girls Prelims  
5:20 - 5:50pm 1A–4A Girls Finals  
5:50 - 6:20pm 1A–4A Boys Warm-Ups  
6:30 - 7:20pm 1A–4A Boys Prelims  
7:30 - 7:50pm 1A–4A Boys Finals

**Boys dive first in the odd-numbered years; girls will dive first in the even-numbered years.**

## **SWIMMING – All Swimming Events Will be Conducted at Georgia Tech**

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

1A-3A and 4A Swimming Prelims  
8:00am - 9:50 am 1A–4A Swimming Warmup  
10:00am - 1:30pm 1A–4A Swimming Prelims

**Prelims for all 1A–4A schools will be conducted in two 10-lane courses.**

**The 1A–3A events will swim in the west pool (by the main scoreboard) and the 4A events will swim in the east pool by the diving well.**

Thursday, February 5, 2026

1A-3A and 4A Swimming Finals  
12:25am - 1:55pm 1A–3A and 4A Swimming Warmup  
2:00pm - 5:30pm 1A–4A Swimming Finals

**Finals for all 1A–4A schools will be conducted in two 10-lane courses.**

**The 1A–3A events will swim in the west pool (by the main scoreboard) and the 4A events will swim in the east pool by the diving well.**

Friday, February 6, 2026

5A - 6A Swimming Prelims  
7:55am - 9:30am 6A Swimming Warmup  
9:30am - 1:00pm 6A Swimming Prelims  
4:30pm - 6:00pm 5A Swimming Warmup  
6:00pm - 9:30pm 5A Swimming Prelims

**Prelims will be conducted in two 10-lane courses.**

**The boys events will swim in the west pool (by the main scoreboard) and the girls will swim in the east pool by the diving well.**

**Finals will be swum in one 10-lane course, the east pool.**

Saturday, February 7, 2026

5A - 6A Swimming Finals  
8:30am - 10:00am 6A Swimming Warmup  
10:00am - 1:00pm 6A Swimming Finals  
4:30pm - 6:00pm 5A Swimming Warmup  
6:00pm - 9:30pm 5A Swimming Finals

**All finals events will be swum in the east pool nearest the diving well.**

## **Live Results**

Download "Meet Mobile: Swim" app for Android & IOS devices

## **Media**

Media credentials for championship events must be requested from the [GHSA Media Pass Request Form](#).

## **Team Information**

Get team info here - <https://ghsaswim.swimtopia.com/>

## **Event Fan Guide**

A Digital Fan Guide will be available for free download and also attached to GoFan tickets. Produced by Score Atlanta.

## **Video**

Swimming and Diving finals will be available to watch Live and On Demand at [NFHSNetwork.com](#) to any device. Subscription rates apply. Streaming rights are exclusive to the GHSA and the NFHS Network. NO other live broadcasts are permitted on social media or any other online platform!

## **Photos**

Order action photos by [BPI Photography](#).

## **Social Media**

Follow & Tag your Instagram, Twitter, Facebook & TikTok post to @OfficialGHSA.

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## ***2026 Southern Tennis Foundation College Scholarship Application is Now Open!***

The Southern Tennis Foundation (STF) is proud to announce that the 2026 College Scholarship application is officially open! Ten scholarships will be awarded for the 2026/2027 academic year and are renewable for the next three years (four years total) if the student remains eligible.



The scholarships are designed to support students who demonstrate academic excellence, community leadership, and financial need. Additional details are included in the 2026 Scholarship Fact Sheet linked below.

### **IMPORTANT:**

- Please share this information with your community, especially high school students and their parents.

### **Key Dates:**

- **Deadline to Apply:** March 30, 2026
- **Notification Date:** May 4, 2026

CLICK HERE TO APPLY: [STF College Scholarship Application](#)

FOR MORE INFO: [STF Fact Sheets](#)

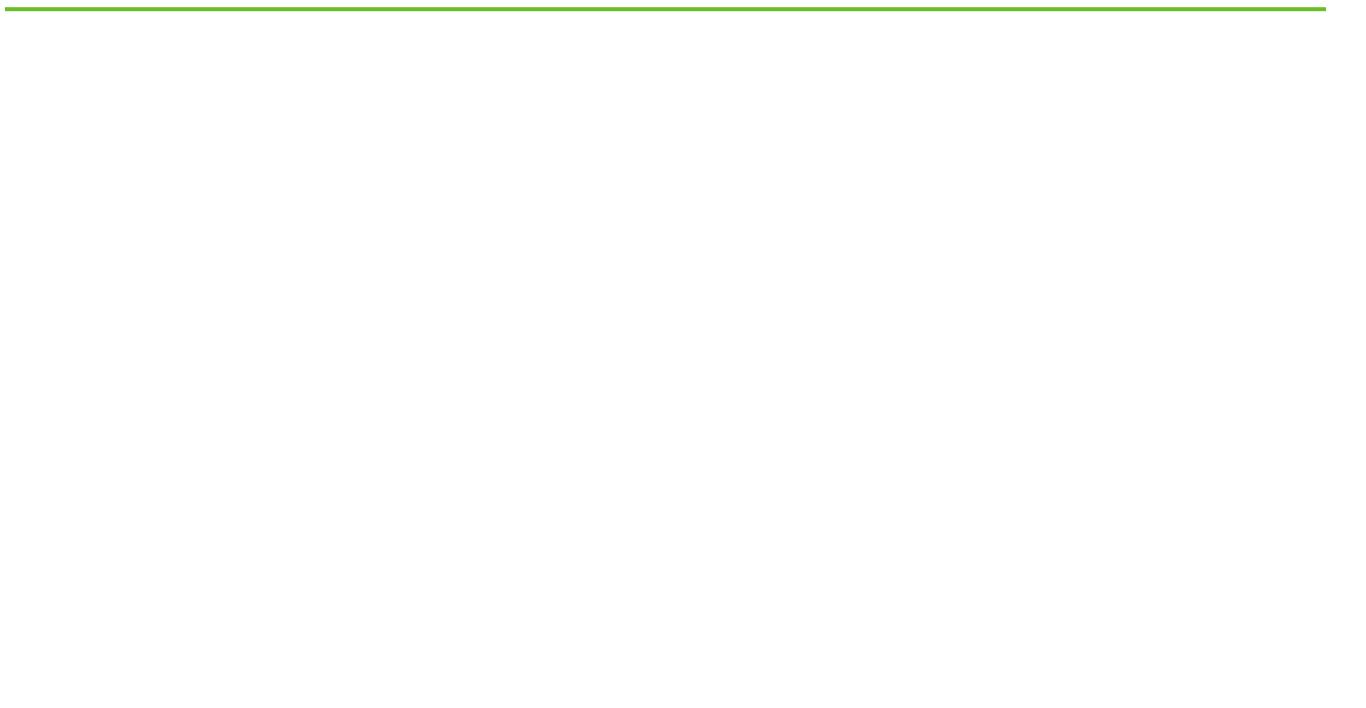
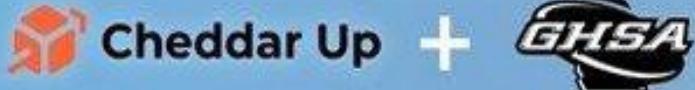
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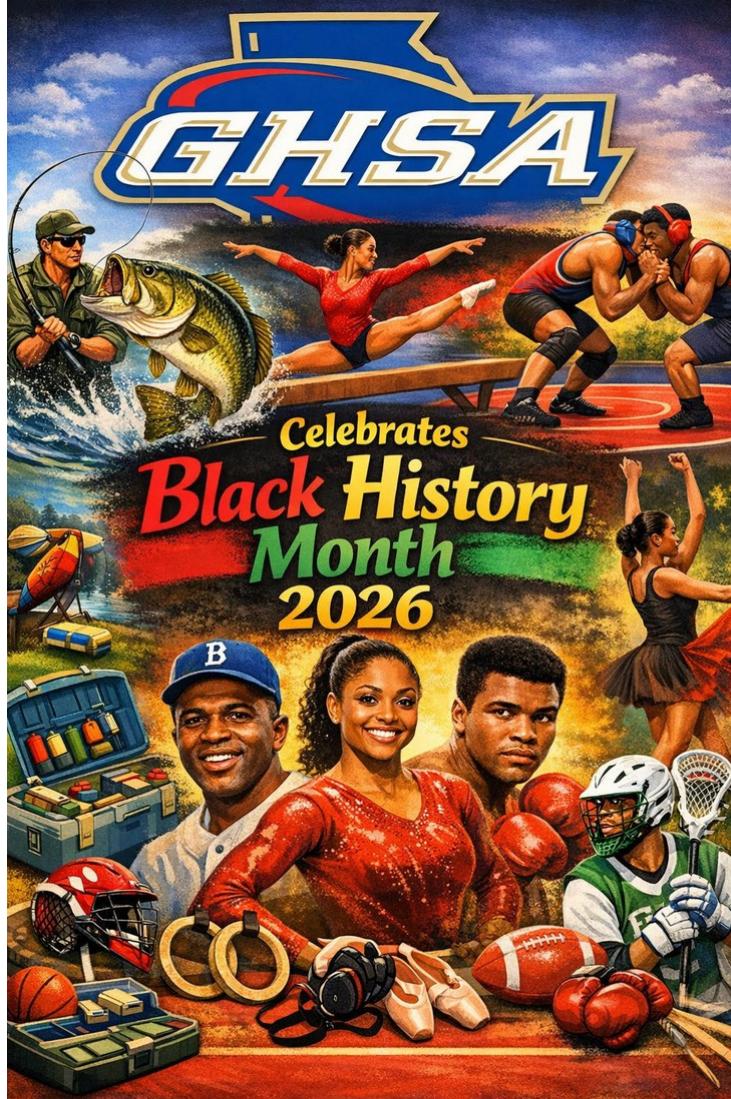
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collect it all  
for your team**





## February Dates to Remember

- (1) Deadline for Notification of Entry in Literary
- (2) Earliest Date for Tennis Match
- (4-7) GHSA Swimming & Diving State Championship
- (6-7) GHSA Traditional Wrestling Sectionals
- (7) Bass Fishing Qualifier #2 - West Point Lake
- (7) Last Contest Date for Dance
- (9) Earliest Date for Baseball game, Golf/Lacrosse/Soccer match, Gymnastics contest, Track & Field meet, Slow Pitch Softball practice.
- (9) eSports - Spring 2025 - Regular Season begins.
- (10) Hardship/Appeal Meeting
- (11) Complete Area Riflery
- (11-12) GHSA State Dance Championship Presented by Rebel Athletic
- (11-14) GHSA Traditional Wrestling State Championships
- (14) Earliest Date for Slow Pitch Softball game
- (16) Presidents Day - GHSA Office Closed
- (20) Complete Region Basketball
- (21) Report Region Basketball Winners to GHSA
- (24) Complete Riflery Sectionals
- (24) Hardship/Appeal Meeting
- (24-25) State Basketball Tournament - First Round



(26) Report Riflery Sectional Winners/Qualifiers to State Coordinator and GHSA  
(27-28) State Basketball Tournament - Second Round

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