

PIONEER PRESS

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I would like to take the time and welcome everyone back to school for the 2011-2012 school year. My primary responsibility as principal at Gentry High School is to provide a quality education for each student. I must also ensure that GHS is a safe and secure place for each and every one of our students. Our climate at GHS must be conducive to learning. I am very excited about the school year at Gentry High School.

Brae Harper, Principal

GHS WELCOMES NEW STAFF

Karri Altrogge

Ms. Altrogge is the new band director at Gentry. She teaches HS Band, MS Band, beginning band, 6th grade general music, and music theory/history. She grew up in Southeast Oklahoma and graduated from Poteau High School in Poteau, OK. She attended the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, and graduated with a B.M. in both music performance and music education, and a M.M. in music performance. For the past four years, she taught band, choir, and humanities in Gore, OK. Ms. Altrogge is glad to be a part of the teaching staff at Gentry and to be back in Razorback Country.

Rebecca Caswell

Mrs. Caswell lives in the Gentry area with her husband and their two daughters, Kimberly and Kaitlyn. She teaches physical science and biology. I obtained my Bachelors of Science in biology from Louisiana State University in 1998. I have been teaching for 13 years. I enjoy many activities that include spending time with my family, baking, gardening, raising goats, and 4-H activities.

Beau Collins

Beau Collins is entering his fourth year as an educator/coach. At Gentry, Coach Collins is an assistant sr. high and jr. high football coach, head wrestling coach, and teaches mathematics at the high school. Coach Collins is a graduate of Prairie Grove High School and earned his undergraduate degree in mathematics at the University of Arkansas. Coach Collins and his wife, Jessica, have been married for 8 years. They have a daughter, Daelyn, who was born in July 2011. In his spare time, Coach Collins enjoys spending time with his family, rebuilding old cars, and camping.

Janis Folker

I have worked for Gentry schools for 2 years. My first year I spent in Special Ed. and this year I'm at the high school in the distance learning lab. I live in Gentry, married with 1 daughter and 1 son. I enjoy walking, shopping, cake decorating, working with children/youth in our church and spending time with family and friends.

FREE TUTORING

MONDAY English - Mr. White (Room 105)	TUESDAY Science - Mrs. Smartt (Room 208)	WEDNESDAY Math - Mrs. Pierce (Room 207)	THURSDAY Social Studies - Mr. Carreira (Room 200)
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Tutoring will begin at 3:20 p.m. - If you are not in the room by 3:30, teachers will leave!

The Pioneer Press would like to thank the Gentry United Way for their continuing support.



September

5 <i>No School!</i>	6 Fish Sticks Mac and Cheese Peach Slices Milk	7 Ham/Chz Sandwich Watermelon Pretzels Milk	8 B.B.Q. Chicken Mashed Potatoes Green Beans Roll Milk	9 Hamburger Pears Fries Milk
12 Taco Beans Fruit Milk	13 Pork Roast Mashed Potatoes Apples Cornbread Milk	14 Chili Con Carne Corn Fruit Cinnamon Roll Milk	15 Fish Sandwich Peach Crisp Milk	16 Cheese Pizza Salad Jello Milk
19 Nachos Corn Cake Milk	20 Chicken Sandwich Grapes Cookie Milk	21 B.B.Q. Sandwich Beans Corn Chips Fruit Milk	22 Lasagna Green Beans Fruit Roll Milk	23 Hamburger Fries Pears Milk
26 Italian Macaroni Green Beans Pineapple Roll Milk	27 Grilled Cheese Chicken Noodles Pickle Slices Broccoli Salad Milk	28 Chili Con Carne Cinnamon Roll Carrots/Celery Apple Slices Milk	29 Pork Sandwich Baked Beans Corn Orange Slices Milk	30 Cheese Pizza Salad Grapes Milk

FBLA

Dues are \$10 and need to be paid to Mrs. Marney by Wednesday, September 7. If you are interested in attending the Fall Leadership Conference you need to pay an additional \$15 by Wednesday, September 7.

The conference is on Tuesday, October 11 in Springdale. The \$15 includes the registration fee and a conference t-shirt. To attend the conference you must pay your dues and conference fee.

HELP HELP HELP

In the past, I have made quilts for the Academic Booster Club to use as part of their fundraiser. This year I would like to make a Pioneer T-shirt quilt. If you have any you would like to donate, I would be happy to take them. Please send them with your student and they can give them to me. Thanks! Ms. Toni Sarratt

ACADEMIC BOOSTER CLUB

The Academic Booster Club is a great way to be involved and support our high school. We need your ideas on how to make GHS a more positive learning environment for each and every student. The election of officers for the 2011-2012 school year will take place at our meeting on Wednesday, September 7, at 3:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the high school library. Parent involvement is needed in two upcoming events. The National Honor Society Induction is on Tues., Sept. 13. 10th grade parents are needed to help with food for the reception on this evening. Parent/Teacher conference will be on Wednesday and Thursday evening, September 14 and 15.

Senior parents are needed to help with food to feed the staff on these evenings.

END-OF-COURSE TESTING FOR VOCATIONAL CLASSES

Gentry High School vocational classes have state mandated end-of-course testing during the month of December and May. Test scores will be analyzed and rated to a state average. If you are required to take the semester test, your end-of-course test score will be recorded as your semester test score; if you are exempt from the semester test, your end-of-course test score will be included in the 9-week grading period as a part of your grade for that grading period. Several days will be set aside for review purposes prior to the testing date—the testing will be on-site testing using the internet and our classroom computers.

Below you will find the courses being tested this year.

TESTS IN DECEMBER

Parenting, Food and Nutrition and Personal and Family Finance,
Animal Science, and Intro to Horticultural Science

TESTS IN MAY

Computerized Accounting, Computerized Business Applications,
Child Development, Food and Nutrition, Family and Consumer Science,
Biological Animal Sciences, Agriculture Mechanics, and Greenhouse Management

CLASS DUES

Class dues will be collected during the month of September and the month of October. Class dues are \$10 for freshman and \$15 for sophomores and juniors. Senior class sponsors are Ms. Sarratt and Mr. Shelby, junior class sponsors are Mrs. Smartt and Mr. Pipkin, sophomore class sponsors are Mrs. Killgore and Mr. Ward, and freshman class sponsors are Mr. Carreira and Mrs. Marney.

SENIOR PIONEERS FOOTBALL



Sept. 1	Colcord, Oklahoma	7 p.m.	Away
Sept. 9	Charleston	7 p.m.	Home
Sept. 16	Siloam Springs	7 p.m.	Home
Sept. 23	Farmington	7 p.m.	Away

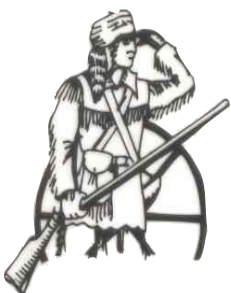


GOLF SCHEDULE

Sept. 6	Scottsdale	4:00 p.m.	G & B
Sept. 8	Big Sugar	3:30 p.m.	G & B
Sept. 19-20	District Tourn.	TBA	G & B
Sept. 26-27	Girls State	TBA	G

LADY PIONEERS VOLLEYBALL

Sept. 6	Pea Ridge	Away
Sept. 8	Berryville	Home
Sept. 12	Clarksville	Home
Sept. 15	Prairie Grove	Away
Sept. 17	Volleyfest Tourn.	Away
Sept. 19	Shiloh	Home
Sept. 20	Gravette	Away
Sept. 22	Farmington	Home
Sept. 26	West Fork	Home
Sept. 27	Shiloh	Away
Sept. 29	Pea Ridge	Home



September

August

31 Junior rings @ 11 a.m. & senior cap/gown @ 11:30 a.m. in auditorium

September

5 No School - Labor Day

7 Seniors order cap/gown 12-2 p.m. & juniors order rings 2-3:30 p.m.

7 Class meetings during 6th hour

13 National Honor Society Induction Ceremony @ 7 p.m.

14 Parent Teacher Conferences 4-7 p.m.

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Gentry High School... "Excellence In Action"

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