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What a great start to what I hope will be the best year yet here at Gentry High School! Please take a few minutes to read the entire newsletter for important information and dates of upcoming events. I would like to use my space this month to mention just a few things to come. I am very pleased to say that we will have tutoring available again this year after school for students who may need a little extra help in English, math, science or social studies. Please refer to the schedule in the newsletter. As you know, GHS is constantly striving to provide additional opportunities for our students. Juniors will have the opportunity to take an ACT exam at no cost to students or their parents. An ACT prep class will be offered this fall for those interested in preparing for the exam. Dates and times for these classes will be published in an upcoming newsletter. And finally, GHS is one of the few schools that still provide a Driver's Education class to students at no cost to the parents. The successful completion of this class can, over time, save families several hundreds of dollars in insurance expenses. I want to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to **2B's Auto Sales, Inc.** in Siloam Springs for agreeing to provide the high school with an automobile for our driver's education class this year. Without their support and generosity we would not have been able to have this class. Thanks again to **2B's Auto Sales, Inc.** – a good friend to Gentry High School.

Judy Winslett, Gentry High School Principal

GHS CLASS OFFICERS 2008-2009

SENIOR CLASS

President - George Vang
Vice President - Brittany James
Secretary/Reporter - Pa Nhia Xiong
Treasurer - Kym Christianson
Student Council Rep. - Erick Watkins

JUNIOR CLASS

President - Carmen Krein
Vice President - Dania Herrera
Secretary/Reporter - Marly Pierce
Treasurer - Shee Nou Xiong
Student Council Rep. - Samantha Morretti

SOPHOMORE CLASS

President - Courtney Millsap
Vice President - Austin Millsap
Secretary/Reporter - Leslea Barker
Treasurer - Kendra Boyd
Student Council Rep. - Tyler Rosenthal

FRESHMAN CLASS

President - Kaylin Cripps
Vice President - Shaumbry Patterson
Secretary/Reporter - Alexia Gonzales
Treasurer - Suzanna Sikes
Student Council Rep - Emily Bond





CHOIR NEWS

Catalog Fundraiser begins Sept. 4th.
\$10 is due by Sept. 15th to cover
All-Region CD, music, folders,
pencil, and highlighter.

All Region Choir tryout is Saturday,
October 4th at Bentonville High School.
\$5 tryout fee is due October 1st.

Please enter east doors
facing Pioneer Lane
after 8:00 a.m.

Cheerleading Clinic

The Pee Wee Cheerleading Clinic,
sponsored by GHS Cheerleaders will
be Monday through Wed., Sept. 15-17.
They will perform at the jr. high game on
Thursday Sept. 18th.

Entry Forms were sent home with the
elementary students and can also be
found on the school website at
www.gentrypioneers.com
Cost is \$25 which covers a t-shirt, and
admittance into the game.

FBLA

The Fall Leadership Conference will be
on October 1st in Fort Smith. Any FBLA
member interested in going needs to
pay a \$15 conference fee to Ms. Ramsey
or Jaime Christensen (FBLA Treasurer)
by September 8th. Members must have
paid their \$10 national/state dues to be
eligible to attend. Meetings will be held
on the third Wednesday of each month.

photography club

Anyone interested in joining the
Spanish/Photography Club needs to
sign up by Sept. 2nd. Dues are \$5.
Meetings will be held on the second
Thursday of each month. Contact
Mr. Lanford for more information.

NOTICE

The new attendance and cell
phone policies are in the
2008-2009 parent / student handbook.
These will be passed out soon.

EDITORS

Ben Sarratt *Carter Hunt*

2008 Football Schedule

Senior High

4-Sept Colcord Home 7:00
12-Sept Charleston Home 7:00
19-Sept Siloam Springs Away 7:30
26-Sept Farmington Home 7:00
3-Oct Gravette Away 7:00
10-Oct Pea Ridge HOMECOMING 7:00
17-Oct Shiloh Home 7:00
24-Oct Berryville Away 7:00
31-Oct Prairie Grove Away 7:00
7-Nov Huntsville PARENT NIGHT 7:00

Junior High

28-Aug West Fork Home 6:00
2-Sept Decatur Away 7:00
11-Sept Charleston Away 7:00
18-Sept Yellville-Summit Home 6:00
25-Sept Farmington Away 7:00
2-Oct Gravette Home 7:00
9-Oct Pea Ridge Away 7:00
16-Oct Shiloh Away 7:00
23-Oct Berryville Home 7:00
30-Oct Prairie Grove Home 7:00
6-Nov Huntsville Away 7:00

GENTRY HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

4-Sept Branchwoods Gravette Girls & Boys 4:00
8-Sept Valley View C.C. Prairie Grove Girls & Boys 4:00
10-11-Sept District @TBA/Big Sugar Girls & Boys TBA
15-17-Sept Regionals @ Valley View C.C. Girls TBA
22-24-Sept Regionals @ Dawn Hill C.C. Boys TBA
1-2-Oct State@ Russellville C.C. Girls TBA
8-9-Oct State@ Eagle Crest C.C. Boys TBA

Volleyball 2008

8-26 Farmington Away 4:30 JV/V
8-28 West Fork Away 4:30 JV/V
9-2 Clarksville Home 4:30 JV/V
9-4 Prairie Grove Home 4:30 JV/V
9-9 Gravette Away 4:30 JV/V
9-11 Shiloh Christian Home JV/V
9-16 Berryville Away 4:30 JV/V
9-23 Huntsville Away 4:30 JV/V
9-25 Farmington Home 4:30 JV/V
9-29 West Fork Home 4:30 JV/V
9-30 Clarksville Away 4:30 JV/V

Gentry Public School District

School Year 2008-09 Go Pioneers!

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July

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First Day of Fiscal Year 09

4
July 4th Holiday

August

7
Professional Development Day

8
Professional Development Day

11
Professional Development Day (August 11-15)

18
First Day for Students

September

1
Labor Day Holiday- School Closed

19
Parent-Teacher Conferences (2:00 to 4:00 p.m. with early release)

22
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM Professional Development Day
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Parent-Teacher Conferences

October

17
End of First Attendance Quarter (43 days)

27
Report Cards

November

3
Professional Development Day

21
Progress Reports

26
Thanksgiving Break November 26-28

December

19
End of Second Quarter/First Semester (41/84 Days)

22
Christmas Break (December 20-January 4, 2009)

January

5
Students Return- First Day Second Semester

February

9
Parent-Teacher Conferences (Noon to 6:00 P.M.)
Progress Reports

March

13
End of Third Quarter (49 Days)

23
Spring Break (March 23-27)

May

22
End of Fourth Quarter/Second Semester (45/94 days)

25
Memorial Day Holiday-No School

26
Professional Development Day (Flex Day)

27
Snow Days Will Be Added To The End Of The Calendar

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The mission of the Gentry School District is to work with the community in providing safe and successful experiences for each student.

September

1 No School Labor Day	2 Chicken Noodle Soup Chz. Sandwhich Green Peas Fruit	3 Sloppy Joe Pickle Spear Coleslaw Brownie	4 Lasagna Green Beans Pineapple Tidbits Roll	5 Pizza Salad w/ranch Orange wedges
8 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Salad w/dressing Rolls	9 Pizza Burger Corn Carrot sticks Fruit	10 Turkey Sandwhich Lettuce & Pickles Diced Pears Chocolate Cake	11 Cheezy Beef Nachos Totilla Chips Chili Beans Peaches	12 Hamburger Lettuce & Pickles Fries Fruit Cobbler
15 Hot Dog Relish/mustard Tator Tots Beans	16 Beef Taco w/ 2 shells Lettuce & Chz. Refried Beans Fresh Fruit	17 B.B.Q. Chicken Baked Beans Coleslaw & Apple Bread Slice	18 Mini Meat Loaf Mashed Potatoes/ Brown Gravy Corn 2 Rolls	19 Pizza Green Salad w/ Ranch Pineapple & Graham crackers
22 No School	23 2 Chicken Pot Pie Cheese Stick Apple or Graham Crackers	24 Italian Ground Beef & Macaroni Green Beans Peaches Graham crackers	25 Chili w/ cheese Crackers Cinnamon Bun	26 Hamburger Fries Cali. Veg. Mix Fruit Push-Up

BAND NEWS

Full Band Practice - every Tuesday
 Percussion and color guard every Wednesday
 Sept 2 - booster meeting 7pm
 SIP Begins August 27th
 Sept 4 - GHS home game - colcord
 Sept 12 - GHS home game
 Sept 18 - GJHS home game
 Sept 19 - GHS away game
 Sept 26 - GHS home game

*Memorization of the half time show and select stand tunes is **REQUIRED**.
 This is a grade. Everyone needs to memorize their music so that the band
 can sound its best at each performance!

NHS

President- Jaime Christensen, Senior
Vice President- Pa Nhia Xiong, Senior
Secretary- Kristen Hardbarger, Senior

Treasurer- Brandi Ward, Senior

Reporter- Sarah Barnes, Junior

Student Council Rep – Marly Pierce, Junior

Members

JUNIORS

Kaitlin Brigance

Randall Butler

Chase Coonrod

Brian Dick

Ausha Griffin

Robert Henderson

Dania Herrera

Shealyn Hutcheson

Jessica James

Kelcey Jech

Carmen Krein

Samantha Moretti

Elisha Patterson

Rachel Tisdale

Kalia Vang

Robbie White

SENIORS

Kym Christiansen

Kelsey Duncan

Adrienne Lakey

Amanda Miller

Derek Monreal

Katy Nuttle

Ashley Oliva

Kevin Rushing

Tony Thao

Connor Willett

Upcoming Events

Monday September 8- Officers Meeting

Monday September 15- Club Meeting

The main service project this fall will be working in conjunction with the Ozark Food Bank to replenish their shelves.

Tuesday, September 23– The induction of new members into the National Honor Society will take place at 7:00 p.m. in the GHS auditorium. Family and friends are invited to attend this special event. The Academic Booster Club will host a reception following the induction.

Junior and Seniors will be placing orders for Class Rings and Graduation items on September 3.

THANK YOU PARENTS!

A special thank you to the parents who attended our open house. At Gentry High School we invite you to become involved with our school. Our Academic Booster Club/Parent Involvement organization welcomes you to join us and be a part of what is going on at GHS. Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 23 in the library.

Martha Hawkins

Parent Involvement Faciliator

TUTORING SCHEDULE

Mon - English- White, Rm # 105

Tues - Science- Barrick, Rm # 208

Wed - Math- Pierce, Rm # 207

Thur - Social Studies- Carreira, Rm #200

Time: 3:20-4:20

School Pictures

School pictures for grades 9-11 are Wednesday, September 3rd. Just a reminder, fall pictures are the ones that go in the yearbook and you pay for picture packets on the day of pictures, NOT later. Flyers with attached payment envelopes were sent home with students.

Prices are listed on the flyers. The school dress code does apply.

Junior Class dues are \$15.

Pay Ms.Ramsey, Coach Rippy, Coach Killgore, or Coach Efurd.

Si Tiene preguntas en espanol, deje su nombre y numero de telefono en la oficina y le llamaremos para atras

September

- 1 **Labor Day-No School**
- 3 School Pictures
- 3 Graduation and Class Ring Order Day
- 8-13 Benton County Fair
- 10 Academic Booster Club Meeting @ 3:30 in Library
- 11 Arkansas Math & Science Representative @ 1:00
- 19 Parent Teacher Conf. 2-4 (Early Release)
- 19 ACT Registration Deadline for October 25th Testing
- 22 No School-Teacher Inservice/ Parent Teacher Conf. 2-6
- 22 Annual Report to the Public @ Primary Cafeteria 6:00
- 23 National Honor Society Induction @ 7:00 in Auditorium

Visit GHS on the web at
www.gentrypioneers.com

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