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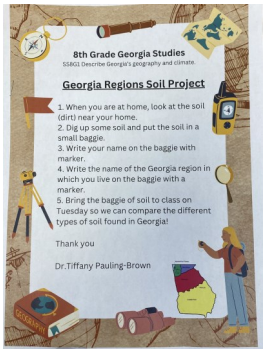
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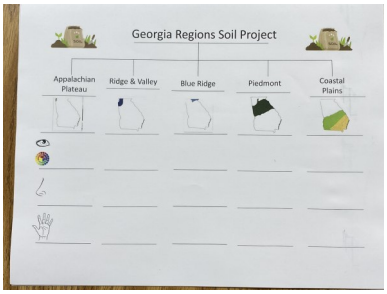
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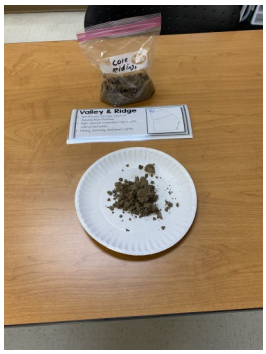
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Georgia Soil

Eighth graders in Tiffany Pauling-Brown's Georgia Studies class recently completed a project about Georgia soil. Georgia's top economic activity is agriculture—in part because there are different varieties of soil that can grow many different crops. Tiffany knows her students understand better if they have a connection, so she told them to gather soil from their home area and bring it to class to study. They had to know which of the 5 Georgia regions the soil was from. They used their senses of sight, touch, and smell to compare the samples. They made a tree map of their findings, then summarized what they learned in a video.









Project information; tree map; soil sample from the coastal plain region (very dark soil); Nasir feels the texture of some soil.

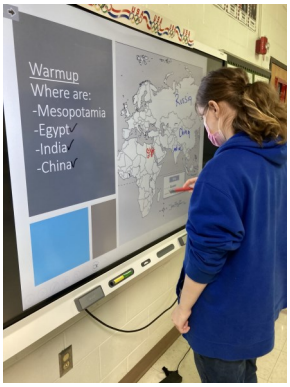








Zy'Merria asks a question; all students at soil stations; Octavious makes notes on the tree map; Cole makes his ASL video.





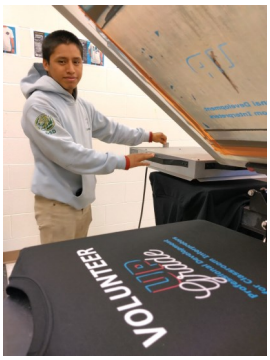
World History students Kendrilyn and Parris label a map with the ancient civilizations of Mesopotamia, Egypt, India, and China as a warm-up (review) activity.

NEWSLETTER CHANGE

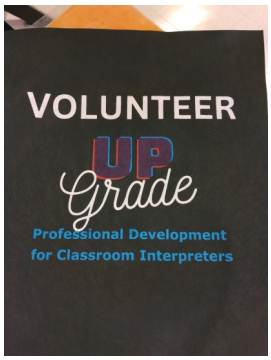
The School Helper newsletter will be published biweekly (every 2 weeks) from now on.

BIG JOB FOR GSD APPAREL

A recent conference was held for educational interpreters and our very own GSD Apparel was hired to make products for the conference attendees! From teacher Mr. Loren Frick: “The GSD Apparel class was very busy last week printing 75 tumblers and 14 shirts using 4 colors for the Upgrade Conference. They faced problems with the sublimation printer; one ink was clogged. Cleaning didn't work so 2 days before delivery, Loren made emergency calls and found a company in Rome, just to print the sublimation sheets so they could finish the tumblers!” Congrats on the job, everyone! And you got some “real life” experience about problems that have to be solved in the workplace.

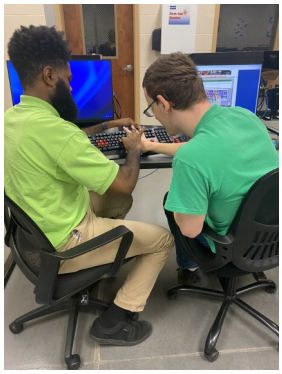
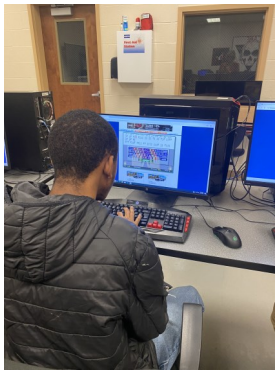
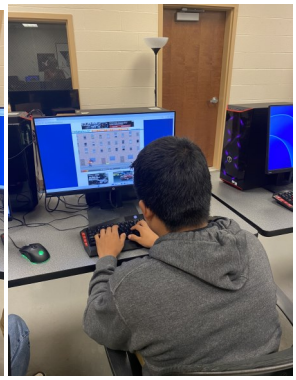







Isaiah and Santos use equipment to make the shirts; finished tumbler and shirt.



Marc Anthony, Tramaine, and David move hay bales in Horticulture class; Joe assists David while Tramaine and Marc Anthony work on skills in Technology class.

College and Career Academy

Some GSD students are participating in classes at the Floyd County College and Career Academy (CCA). In Horticulture, they are learning about how to grow and care for outdoor plants. They are also taking a technology class. Recently they have been learning how to properly type using correct hand placement. They need to develop this skill to work on more advanced technology skills in the future.

Upcoming Events

- **Sat. 9/21: Volleyball at Alabama (travel 9/20-9/22)**
- **9/22 First Day of Fall**
- **9/24-26 GA Mobile Audiology visits**
- **9/9 End Quarter 1**
- **Thursday 10/10 Homegoing**
- **Friday 10/11 No School**
- **11/16 HOMECOMING! SAVE THE DATE!!**





Student of the Month

Each year, the Noon Optimist Club of Rome honors a Student of the Month (high school), Student of the Semester (middle school) and Star Student of the Year (elementary) as part of their commitment to supporting local education. Teachers selected Yovanni Morales-Romero as the first Student of the Month this year because he always has a positive attitude, is kind to others, and works hard to do well in school. Yovanni attended a luncheon in Rome with teacher Marie Dickinson and gave a short speech. Congratulations, Yovanni!

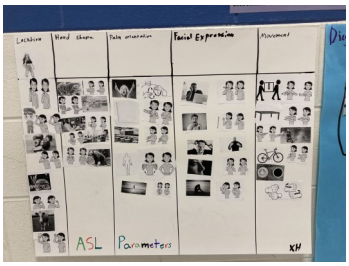


The Five Parameters of ASL

In Julie Burton's ASL I class, students have been learning the five parameters of American Sign Language. For a sign to be correct, the proper handshape, movement, location, non-manual markers, and palm orientation must be used. As a comparison, in spoken languages, sounds must be produced properly for the word to be understood. The students made thinking maps to organize and demonstrate their knowledge of the five parameters. They look great!







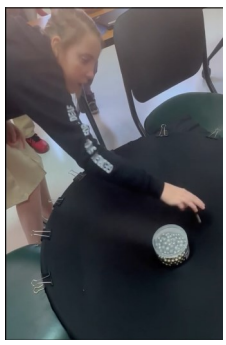


Zion shows off his best silly face!

Scientists at Work

Learning about things we can't see or feel can be tough for students. Middle School Science teacher Sydney Boucugnani does a great job including many hands-on, experiential activities in her lessons to help students better understand challenging concepts. In the 6th grade class, students dropped beads in a funnel-like device to mimic how gravity works in space to keep planets in orbit. Seventh graders created their own models of plant and animal cells to get a better understanding of microscopic cell parts.

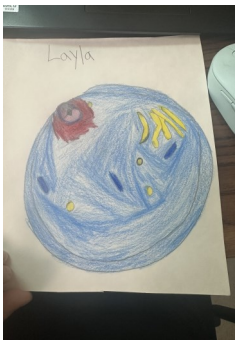




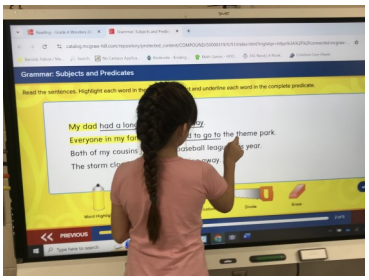


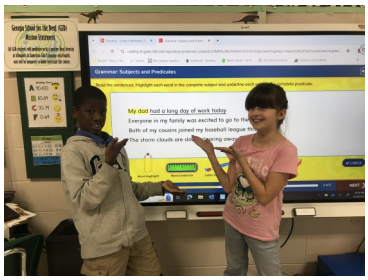






Guadalupe and Allie Kate drop beads in the funnel; Cell models by Deziriah, Zaida, Lexie, and Layla.

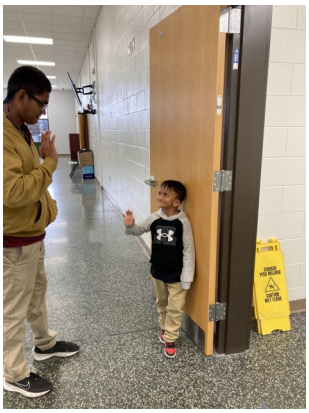




Autumn and Elijah did a great job with their grammar work in the Wonders program!

Cesar decided to take on the job of tray line monitor in the cafeteria! Normally a high schooler has this task, but 1st grader Cesar volunteered to do it! And he did a great job managing the "traffic" of students putting their trays away!

Pic: Cesar tells Yovanni to wait his turn.



EVERY DAY COUNTS

Georgia Department of Education

Did you know?

When a student misses school...

2 days per month	**4** days per month
They will miss **20 days of school** per year.	They will miss **40 days of school** per year.
They will miss **30 hours** of math & **60 hours** of reading/writing.	They will miss **60 hours** of math & **120 hours** of reading/writing.
They will miss more than **one year of school** by graduation.	They will miss more than **two years of school** by graduation.






Middle Schools enjoy socializing at lunch; Middle School earned an ice cream reward for 10 Peace Days; Peyton is super proud of her Reading class for all earning high marks on their ASL benchmarks!

GSD Apparel Order Form

Due September 23, 2024

Name _____

Cell/Text _____a—-_____

Bus Driver? If yes, which bus? _____

		How many?						
Item	Cost	S	M	L	XL	2XL +2	3XL +4	Total $
Green Zippered Hoodie	25							
Green Pullover Hoodie	20							
Green Long Sleeve	15							
Green Short Sleeve	12							
Womens Short Sleeve	12							
Youth Zippered Hoodie	25							
Youth Pullover Hoodie	20							
Youth Green Long Sleeve	12							
Youth Green Short Sleeve	10							
							Grand Total:	

Payment options:

1. Cash
2. Check out to GSD with "GSD Apparel" on the memo line.
3. See Jennifer to pay using credit card.
4. Over the phone: Contact Jennifer @ (706)777-2249

Please turn in this form and payment to the front office.

Any questions? Please e-mail Loren at lfrick@doe.k12.ga.us or ask one of our GSD Apparel students.

Thank you for supporting GSD PTDA!

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Short Sleeves available in womens size!

Available in Unisex, and Youth:

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