THE LATEST AND GREATEST

Debate
The Debate Team travelled to the University of Georgia over the weekend. In the Varsity division, the team of Shivan Moodley and Hargunn Sandhu finished as tournament Champions. The team of Suchetas Bokil and Jordan Di finished as semifinalists. In the Freshman division, Alpharetta finished with four of the top five teams at the tournament. Eshan Momin was also named top individual speaker.

Freshman Baseball
The freshman baseball team swept a doubleheader against the visiting West Forsyth Wolverines on Saturday to move to a 3-0 record on the season. Jackson Frank got the Raider bats going with two hits and three RBIs in game one. Kyle Wilkins had a two-run single and Ben Guthrie chipped in another RBI to seal the contest. Tahsan Hasan and Allan Navas each threw three innings and combined for nine strikeouts in the 9-2 win. In game two, Brandon Nielsen started the game on the mound and Navas stepped in from the bullpen again to earn the win in relief. The Raiders tagged West Forsyth’s pitching for 15 runs, and it was again Frank who led the way with four hits and five RBIs. Seven different Raiders stole bases en route to a 15-5 run-rule victory, which was capped by a single into right field from Benjamin Henry. The freshmen are scheduled to host North Forsyth on Monday at 5:55.

Chorus
Congratulations to the Alpharetta chorus program for their superior performance at Large Group Performance Evaluation this past Thursday! All three choruses received all superior ratings from their judges in both their performance and in sight reading. Superior is the highest rating a group can receive. Way to go, Raiders!

The BSU remembers the accomplishments of:
Michelle Obama;
born Michelle LaVaughn Robinson on January 17, 1964 in Chicago, IL, Mrs. Obama is an African American lawyer and writer, who served as First Lady of the United States from 2009 to 2017. Michelle Obama graduated cum laude from Princeton University with a B.A in Sociology, and shortly began to study law at Harvard Law School. In 2009, her husband, former President Barack Obama would be inaugurated, making her the very first African American first lady. Michelle Obama is a role model for many young women and will forever be remembered in Black and US History.

Raider Nation!
Our annual PBIS walkthrough is TOMORROW, Tuesday, February 25th and a representative from the Georgia Department of Education will be on campus! Teachers, please verify you have the Raider matrix and class expectations visible. If you do not have the RICH Raider Matrix, please email Ms. Jean-Jacques. Students, take a moment to familiarize yourself with the Raider Expectations of respect, integrity, citizenship and hard work!
Reminders – Regular schedule today.

**GOOD TO KNOW**

Join the BSU in celebrating today’s daily spotlight Donald Glover.

Donald Glover, also known as Childish Gambino, has created many underground music hits. His most controversial hit being “This is America”. Beyond music Mr. Glover has begun to amass a substantial resume, which includes creating the FX television series “Atlanta”, as well as movie credits in, Spider-Man: Homecoming, Solo: A Star Wars Story and the voice of Simba in The Lion King. In 2017, Glover was named one of Time’s magazines, “100 Most Influential People”.

Black History Month

Join the BSU in celebrating today’s daily spotlight Taraji P. Henson. Taraji P. Henson, born on September 11, 1970, is an African American actress and author. Before her claim to fame, Taraji majored in electrical engineering studies at North Carolina A&T before transferring to Howard University to major in theatre. She is now well known for her many notable roles which includes her role as Katherine Johnson in the movie Hidden Figures.

City BBQ Fundraiser

The Meridian News and Literary Magazine is hosting a fundraiser this Saturday at City BBQ in Johns Creek at 4210 Johns Creek Pkwy, Suwanee, GA 30024. Come support the news and literary magazine by eating some great food with your friends! 25% of proceeds from the fundraiser will go to help support the magazine and help us publish our print issue this spring! Stop by room 2216 for a flyer with more information! It runs from 11:00 am to 11:00 pm, so no excuses, go help them out.

College Fair

Roswell Roots is hosting a college fair on Saturday from 11:00 – 3:00 at the East Roswell Recreation Center. This is an opportunity to obtain free college admission counseling. Sign up at roswellrootscollegefairstudents2020.eventbrite.com.

Speakers and Leaders Unite

Do you enjoy public speaking? Do you find that you almost always end up being the leader within a group and you enjoy it? If this is you, listen up! Join Speakers and Leaders Unite, where you can improve your leadership and public speaking skills in an encouraging environment through group-oriented activities and practice. You will learn techniques and strategies to further develop your skills. Join us for an informational meeting on February 19th at 7:45 in room 4213, and look for flyers in the hallways for additional information."

The BSU implores you to continue to Celebrate Black History Month.

Today the BSU remembers:

**Tyra Banks.**

Tyra Banks was born on December 4, 1973. She is an African American model, entrepreneur, television personality, and author. Ms. Banks began modeling at the age of 15. She has expanded her career to include TV and Producing. Ms. Banks created America’s Next Top Model. She became the first African American woman
to be featured on the cover of GQ Magazine. She continues to be a Role Model for young girls all over the world.

The BSU remembers an Atlanta Landmark: The Busy Bee Cafe.

The Busy Bee Cafe started in 1947 during a time when Jim Crow Laws adamantly enforced segregation. Lucy Jackson, a self-taught cook, was determined to serve delicious food to anyone that made their way to Hunter Street, now called Martin Luther King Jr Drive. The Busy Bee has fed many Influential people including: Martin Luther King Jr., Sylvester Stallone, Jay Z and recently Oprah Winfrey got busy at The Bee!

BSU highlights the accomplishments of Keisha Lance Bottoms-

Keisha Lance Bottoms; born on January 18, 1970 in Atlanta, Georgia, is an African American politician and lawyer. Mrs. Bottoms has served as a Judge, a Lawyer, and a member of the Atlanta City Council. Currently, she is the 60th mayor for the city of Atlanta.

Kindness Week

Attention Raider Nation! This week begins our second annual Kindness Week! The purpose of Kindness Week is to promote acts of kindness and positivity throughout AHS and our community. Today, Monday 2/10, is Smile-Big-Monday! The morning started off with Student Council members in the hallway giving high-fives! During lunch today, Student Council members will come around with smiles. We encourage students to take a smile and write a positive message to a friend, teacher, or administrator! You can deliver it directly to the person you write it to! Send pictures of your kindness week participation to Mr. Bolin at bolina@fultonschools.org for us to post on Student Council’s social media! All students who send pictures to Mr. Bolin will be entered into a raffle for a gift card!!

Also, students and teachers, please be reminded that the Door Decorating Contest has begun! With your 3rd period classes, please decorate your classroom door according to the “kindness” theme! Doors will be judged on February 28th and the winning 3rd period class will receive a pizza party sponsored by Student Council! Keep up the great work, BE POSITIVE, and stay R.I.C.H. Raiders!

Valentine’s Grams

Valentine Grams! Raiders, this week, valentine grams will continue to be sold during both lunches Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. All grams will be delivered on Thursday, 2/13! Send a sweet message to someone you care about and help put a smile on somebody’s face this week! All proceeds will be donated to Bert’s Big Adventure, a non-profit that sends terminally ill children to Disney World for an all-expenses paid experience of a lifetime! Thank you for your continued altruism and have a great week, Raiders!

PARKING

Parking at Alpharetta High School is a privilege. We do not have enough spaces to accommodate every student who is capable of parking. Because of this, only Seniors and IB diploma students will be prioritized.

Parking spaces will be issued to qualified students on a year-long basis via a lottery system. The PARKING FEE is $100 PER YEAR. It is expected that every student applying for a parking permit reads and understands the parking regulations. It is the student’s responsibility to have read these regulations, and all students will be held accountable for this information. Students and/or legal guardians must provide all required information listed on the application and submit those documents at the time of application to be eligible for the lottery. A legible photocopy of the student’s driver’s license and a copy of the valid insurance card for the registered
vehicle must accompany all applications. Parking permits will be issued to only one vehicle and are not transferable.

PARKING PACKET TURN IN: 2/19/2020 and 2/21/2020 during both lunches

PARKING PASS WINNERS WILL BE POSTED ON: 2/28/2020

PARKING PASSES NOT PICKED UP BY AUGUST 14, 2020 WILL BE PUT BACK INTO THE LOTTERY

BSU

BSU celebrates the accomplishments of, Stacey Yvonne Abrams; born on December 9, 1973 in Madison, Wisconsin, is an African American politician and entrepreneur. Ms. Abrams served eleven years in the Georgia House of Representatives where she was Minority Leader for 7 years. She currently works with Fair Count. Fair Count is working to ensure that the 2020 census is fair, accurate, and legal for all citizens.

TAG Internship

Attention sophomores and juniors who are in the TAG program: If you are interested in a TAG Internship during the 2020-2021 school year, please come to room 3323 today and sign up for the prerequisite Hire Me! Skills for Career and Internship Success TAG seminar. The seminar is held during Anchor Time and is a required for electing TAG Internship as a class. Space is limited so please come early. Questions? See Mrs. Hetherington or Mrs. Eick.

AHS Scores

Alpharetta High School is proud of its 99.5 CCRPI score, along with a 5 STAR CLIMATE RATING.

Recycling

for classrooms will be collected Monday through Thursday. Please have your recycling bins outside your door before 0845 hrs

- Monday (UPPER LEVEL)
- Tuesday (Fine Arts / gym)
- Wednesday (MAIN LEVEL)
- Thursday (LOWER LEVEL)

Teams

Students, for various reasons, your counseling department and PTSA will no longer be able to use the Remind messaging system to communicate with you and your parents. Instead, they will be using Microsoft Teams through which important information, such as counseling events, graduation information, and senior events will be conveyed to you and your parents. If you have not already, please register ASAP so you don’t miss any messages; this is especially important for students who are often off campus. Just go to today’s announcements on the AHS website or the counseling website and click on your grade.

Freshman: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Xo7v29xiI5PyTGtmb4ycpFQNzgkOCqGX/view
School Store

The School Store is opening this Thursday, September 12th. The School Store is open Tuesdays and Thursdays on Tuesdays and Thursdays (Anchor Time Days) in the mornings from 7:40am – 8:10am. There are a variety of items that you can purchase including spirit wear, school supplies, and electronics. Currently, we accept both cash and check (made payable to Alpharetta High School). So, go down to the cafeteria, follow the posters and signs until you reach the School Store. Once you get there, stop in, check it out and make some purchases to benefit Alpharetta High School. If you have any suggestions or questions, please let any Student Council member know!

Devises

Going forward, devices will only be distributed on Tuesdays and Thursdays – before school and during both lunches. You will need student and parent signed Device User Agreements, 100% on Digital Citizenship Quiz, and not to owe any device fines.

AP Exams

All students who are taking an AP course must enroll using the join codes provided by your teachers. This is required for the course. Your teachers should have already shared this information with you. If you have questions or difficulty completing the enrollment, please check with your classroom teacher. If you are taking an online AP course this information will be sent to you.

Front Lobby

Students, when waiting in the front lobby to be picked up, for your class to begin or any other reason, please do not open the door for anyone that does not have a Fulton County Schools badge. If necessary, find an Alpharetta High School staff member to assist. Thank you for your help in keeping our school safe for everyone.

ATHLETICS

Freshman Baseball

The freshman baseball team got their first win in their season opener at North Forsyth on Saturday afternoon by a final score of 14-7. Brandon Nielsen and Ben Guthrie took the mound for the Raiders and allowed a total of two earned runs. At the plate, Kyle Wilkins recorded two hits, Tahsan Hasan brought home two runs, Guthrie drove in four with a single and a triple, and Jakob Cowart tallied three hits and three RBIs to lead the offense. Anderson Judd and Benjamin Henry each stole two bases, and Allan Navas added a run with a sacrifice fly in the fifth inning. The Raiders play again on Wednesday at Forsyth Central at 5:55.

Wrestling

Jack Fiorillo participated in GHSA State Wrestling tournament in Macon , Ga this past weekend and placed in the top 12 in the State of Georgia in 6A in his weight class. Congratulations to Jack Fiorillo and the entire wrestling team on a great season.
Women’s Soccer

Womens varsity soccer took on the Roswell Hornets at their nest and beat them 1-0. A beautiful goal was scored off of Nicole mclellands corner. Rachel had a beatiful volley which was finished by the follow up of abby shwartz. In order to maintain the win jenna Corbin came up with big saves. Let's keep this undefeated season going!

Swimming

The girls and boys swim and dive team competed in the State finals over the weekend and finished in 2nd place.

For the Girls Team

Alex Clark set a new AHS Record and is the 2020 State champion in the 100 yard butterfly.

Alicia Henry claims the title of the 2020 State Champion in the 100 yard breast stroke and broke her own record from the previous year.

Audrie Uphues, Ally Metcalf, Lauren Hinton and Alicia Henry are the 2020 State Champions in the Women’s 200 yard Freestyle relay and broke the Alpharetta HS Record

Sarah Kate Wilson, Alicia Henry, Lauren Hinton and Alex Clark set a New Alpharetta HS Record in the 400 yard Freestyle relay

For the boys Team

Thomas Xiao set the new Alpharetta HS record in the 100 yard Breaststroke

Charles Lu, Nathan Jin, Peter Meng and Liam Clarke set a New Alpharetta HS record in the Men’s 200 yard Freestyle

A big thank you to the entire team for a wonderful year!

CLUBS and ACTIVITIES

Winterguard

Our Alpharetta indoor performing ensembles had a great weekend. The Alpharetta High School indoor percussion ensemble performed in its first competition ever at South Forsyth High School and an amazing showing. The group placed first overall in finals outscoring some really strong teams in Fulton, Gwinnett, and Cobb Counties.

The Alpharetta High School Varsity winter guard competed in its first national competition of the season in Knoxville, Tennessee. They group competed against teams from all of the southeast. The group was first in prelims and also ended up first overall in finals. This secured a 6th place national rank. We are so proud of our indoor percussion ensemble and our varsity winter guard.

Debate

At the Pinecrest Debate Tournament in Fort Lauderdale, Florida Rahul Gudapati and Advait Naik finished as the top team composed of two sophomores in the tournament. Congratulations! Next up for Alpharetta Debate is the UGA Debate Tournament this weekend.

Theater

Congratulations to the Alpharetta theatre department for a great showing at the Georgia thespian conference this weekend. Our group musical performance With Emma Moore, Lauryn Lovett, Hana Soomro, Megan Jacobs, Libby lindahl, and Katelynn singleton received a superior rating and is eligible to compete at the international
thespian festival this summer, Libby Lindahl and Farrell Russell received an excellent rating in duet musical and Harika Kosaraju and Megan Jacobs received excellent ratings in solo musical. Libby Lindahl was chosen as one of the top 50 performers in the state and performed in the opening showcase. In the category of improv, Hana Soomro, Maya Garfield and Cameron Eure were all state finalists. Way to go Alpha theatre!

**Winter Guard**

Our winter guards began their competitive season this past season with our JV and Varsity teams performing at Mill Creek High School this past Saturday. Our JV team competes in a class with other varsity teams from around the state. Our JV team had an awesome showing and placed 7th which is a great accomplishment for our JV team. The Alpharetta Varsity winter guard had a stunning performance and placed 2nd of the day. Mr. Jenkins is proud of both teams. We would love to welcome all of our Alpharetta community to the winter guard competition that we will host here on Saturday, February 22.

**Zumba**

Zumba has started up again and dances and sweats every Wednesday from 3:45 to 4:45 in the cafeteria. Hope to see you there.

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**COUNSELING**

**Scholarships**

Seniors, remember that completed PTSA scholarship applications must be submitted to Ms. Viafora by 4:00 pm tomorrow in Counseling Suite 1310.
COLLEGE VISITS

College visits are open to Juniors and Seniors who sign up online at least 3 school days in advance and obtain teacher permission to attend. You will receive a confirmation email that you must print and obtain a teacher signature for the class you will miss. You are responsible for making up any missed assignments.

To sign up, click on the school name in the list below. This college visit list can be accessed from www.ahscounseling.com/college-visits. Check the list often as new schools continue to be added.

All college visits will take place in the Media Center unless otherwise noted.

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