



Title 1
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This Month's Highlights

- 1st-2nd - Christmas Break
- 5th - Teacher Workday
- 6th - Students return from break
- 6th - Quarter 3 begins
- 13th - Qtr. 2 Report Cards available
- 15th - Fitness Day
- 15th - 100th Day of School



- 19th - Martin Luther King Jr. Day - NO SCHOOL
- 21st - Early Dismissal (11:30 a.m.)
- 26th - School Improvement Council Meeting (3 pm)
- 29th - Class Pictures

Happy New Year!

Welcome back GES students! We hope that everyone had a wonderful Winter Break. We are excited to begin 2026 learning with all of you. We are looking forward to a successful second semester of school!



Canned Food Drive

Our school collected nearly 80 donated food items for Our Lady of the Valley Food Pantry at the Night of Lights event last month. Our fifth grade Student Ambassadors helped with sorting and counting the donated food.

Our PTO is seeking volunteers for the 25-26 school year! Our PTO helps with many events throughout the school year such as Muffins with Mom, Donuts with Dads, Santa Store, Book Fair, etc. Please click the link below if you are interested in volunteering!



<https://forms.gle/YyKCMiDeGPWQXQiu7>

Valley Empty Stocking Fund

Our school raised \$428 dollars for the Valley Empty Stocking fund with our friendly team competition in November. With PTO's contribution, we will be able to provide them with over \$1200! Thank you to everyone who participated in this fundraiser for our community!

South Carolina Gamecocks - \$206
Clemson Tigers - \$114
Georgia Bulldogs - \$108

Way to go
Gamecock
fans!!



Since Gamecocks fans won, Gloria the Goose got to wear a Gamecock jersey!

Reminders

All students receive free breakfast and lunch. The school opens at 7:00 AM for those that would like to eat breakfast before class begins. The first bell rings at 7:25 and the tardy bell rings at 7:30. Students must be in their classrooms by 7:30 to avoid being marked as tardy. Dismissal begins promptly at 2:30 PM. Please be sure to be here on time to pick up your student.

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Be sure to check our school website <https://www.acpsd.net/o/ges> and also follow us on Facebook for updates and photos posted daily!

WATCH D.O.G.S



WATCH D.O.G.S.® (Dads of Great Students) is an innovative program being used by schools across America which helps them to be positively impacted by the committed involvement of fathers and father-figures in their student's life. Our goal is to have you spend at least one day this year at the school to be a positive male role model and to provide an extra set of eyes and ears. If you are interested in volunteering for this program, please contact Dr. Becton, our school counselor.

Our Mission at GES

The mission of Aiken County Public Schools and Gloverville Elementary School is to cultivate future-ready students to serve our evolving community and world through an innovative, literacy-focused school system distinguished by:

- Rigorous, personalized learning opportunities
- Highly effective, service-driven professionals
- Mutually beneficial partnership

What Does it Mean to be a Title 1 School?

Title I is a federally funded program that assists schools with high percentages of poverty. The program provides the following opportunities for additional academic assistance for growth and acceleration.

- *Intervention Aide
- *Computer Programs
- *Professional Development for Faculty
- *Instructional Supplies
- *Parent and Reading Events
- *Additional Para-Professionals for Intervention & Parent Involvement Aide
- *Materials for the Literacy Model
- *Mobile Computer Lab

G—Guarantee high expectations through rigor, relevance, and relationships
E—Every student prepared to be college and career ready
S—Striving to become leaders in global society

“Cultivating Future Ready Students and Leaders”

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Night of Lights Fun!

