



GEORGIA ELEMENTARY MIDDLE SCHOOL  
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Dear GEMS Families,

We would like to extend best wishes to all for a happy and healthy new year. It's a pleasure to see all of the children, teachers and staff back at school after a long, well deserved break.

### **Cold Weather Attire**

As the snow flies and the temperatures dip, children need to be dressed appropriately to come to school and to play at recess time. Coats, hats, mittens or gloves, and boots are a must this time of year. If this poses a financial hardship for your family, please call the main office for assistance.

Please see the [VPA Guidelines for Cold Weather Play](#) for more information regarding appropriate wear based on weather conditions. Middle School students who are not dressed weather appropriate will have to stay inside the Planning Room during their 30-minute recess unless a parent/guardian provides a note giving permission for their child to go outside dressed as is.

### **January Menus**

- [Breakfast](#)
- [Lunch](#)

### **Health Updates:**

- If you receive a positive COVID result for your child, please contact your school nurse, Terry Shaw (Pk-4) or Melissa Waterhouse (5-8), **and** Corrina Favreau.
- **Test to Stay**
  - Please consider completing the Consent and simple report forms NOW for the test to stay program. Having these permission forms on file allows us to conduct a rapid Covid test with your child in school should we become aware of a positive case during the school day. Those students that do not have this permission on file will be quarantined and sent home. You only need to complete the consent and simple report once for each of your children.
    - [Consent Form](#)
    - [SimpleReport](#)
- **COVID Vaccination Cards**
  - Please send a copy of your child's vaccination card to the school nurse after the second dose.
- **COVID Test Results**
  - Submit a copy of any new COVID test results to the school nurse

Best,

Julie Conrad and Steve Emery  
 Georgia Elementary and Middle School Principals

**GEMS Calendar: A Look Ahead**

Mon, Jan 10	Tues, Jan 11	Wed, Jan 12	Thurs, Jan 13	Fri, Jan 14
		Early Release Day Dismissal 12:45	School Board Budget Meeting 6:00	
Mon., Jan 17	Tues., Jan 18	Wed., Jan 19	Thurs., Jan 20	Fri., Jan 21
No School		Middle School SMUGG's Trip		
Mon, Jan 24	Tues, Jan 25	Wed, Jan 26	Thurs, Jan 27	Fri, Jan 28
		Early Release Day Dismissal 12:45		