

Gator Tales

B.D. Gullett Elementary Newsletter

April 2022

We Are Officially in the 4th Quarter Gullett Gators!

It is hard to believe that we are in our final weeks of the 2021-2022 school year. It has certainly flown by. With that being said, it is time for our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students to shine and show what they have learned this year by taking the Florida Standards Assessment (FSA). Please see the “testing reminders” and “upcoming events” section in the newsletter for more information.

It is important this time of year that we are reminding students of our GATOR Expectations that they pledge to every morning. With the excitement of everything going on we want to be sure that behaviors are under control for the remainder of the year.

***Please note that we do not allow students to be signed out after 2:45PM. Be sure to schedule appointments that accommodate this procedure.**

We have seen several children riding their bikes to school without a helmet. Per the law and for the safety of your child(ren), all students who ride their bike to or from school must wear a helmet.

A couple of exciting event reminders for the month:

*****SAVE THE DATE** for the much-anticipated daughter and son events so many of you have been asking about....

*Our Sweetheart Ball will be held on Saturday, April 23rd from 6-8 p.m. @ Lakewood Ranch High School. Gullett girls are encouraged to ask their dad or that special role model in their life to a fun night they will never forget!!

***Mother/Son Glow Bowling Event will be held on Saturday, April 9th from 5:00-6:30 p.m. @ Bowlero is SOLD OUT.**

- Yearbooks are still on sale for \$25 until April 8th

Click Link to Order Yearbook:

<https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/GullettYearbook2022?fbclid=IwAR0i13RpXmBx--TH3XBrd6WvWFLokkCAonyB0ogg55o5QDTIFNTweuU6xoo>

As always, thank you for your ongoing support. I hope everyone has a fantastic fourth quarter!

Sincerely,

Mr. Richardson

ID Reminder

It is imperative that students have their IDs on campus each and every day. IDs are used to scan on and off the bus, check out library books, and receive their meals through the lunch line. Students who come to school without their ID makes these processes and procedures run less smoothly and can be time consuming. If your student has lost or broken their ID, they can purchase one for \$5 at any time in the front office.

Birthdays

This is an exciting time for our students to celebrate at school with their classmates. Please remember that you may ONLY bring treats found on our smart snack list. Cupcakes, cookies, etc. will not be permitted. Please check with your child's teacher for any food allergies. It is recommended that you go through the cafeteria to have a "Birthday Basket" prepared so we can check for all food allergies. You must contact the cafeteria two weeks prior to the date. Thank you for abiding by these procedures.

The following link will take you to the district website for the "Smart Snack" list.

<https://www.manateeschools.net/Page/2638>

Testing Reminders

It's that time of the year where testing will be taking place around campus. A few reminders for your students to be well prepared on their testing days:

1. Get a good night's sleep.
2. Eat a healthy breakfast.
3. Arrive at school on-time.

Please see the important dates below to find out which dates your child will be testing and the subject area being assessed. Also, be on the lookout for a testing letter from the school with further details.

Counselor Corner



Hello Gullett Families! We hope that you have all had a chance to look at our new School Counseling Schoology group. We have updated the information as we are now celebrating "courage" as our character trait for the month of April. Please continue the conversation at home as well. We completed the final two safety lessons with all the students last month. It is always such a pleasure to spend time with the students. As we enter April, we see the end of the year quickly approaching! We will continue meeting with students and will also be helping with FSA testing. As always, please feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions or if there is anything we can do to further support your student.

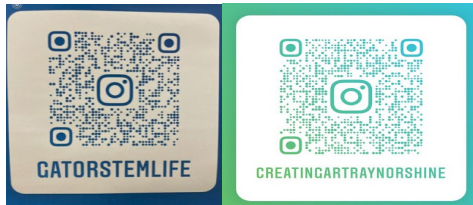
How to access Schoology page for School Counseling:

1. Have your student sign into MCSD Schoology
2. Click on "Groups"
3. Click on SDMC Gullett School Counselor 4.

Click on "Resources" on the left side If you have any questions, please feel free to contact either Ms. Tina or Ms. Zoe at 727-2067.

Art and Stem

Would you like to see what your students are working on while in Art and STEM? Please follow our Instagram accounts @creatingartraynorshine and @gatorstemlife to see students at work on projects in these classes. You can also use the following QR codes to connect:



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UPCOMING EVENTS

April 2nd- Gator Bash (See attached flyer for details)

April 5th-Spirit Night @ Wicked Awesome Ice Cream Emporium 4-8PM.

April 5th/April 6th-3rd Grade FSA Language Arts

April 6th-4th/5th Grade FSA Writes

April 9th-Mother/Son Bowling Event 5-6:30PM.

April 15th-No School/Good Friday

April 20th-Early Release @ 1:40PM

April 21st-Spirit Day/Night Chick-fil-A

April 23rd-Sweetheart Ball 6-8PM.

April 26th-Spirit Day/Night @ Wolves Head

April 27th-SAC/PTO Meeting @ 5:15PM

Important Upcoming Dates

May 3rd/4th- 4th/5th Grade FSA ELA

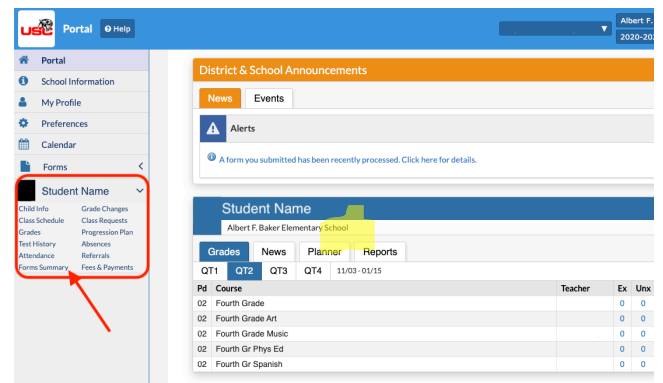
May 10th-11th- 3rd, 4th, 5th Grade FSA Math

May 17th-5th Grade FSA Science

Accessing Report Card in FOCUS



Parents are able to view their child's report card or progress report in FOCUS by clicking on the **Reports** tab located under the student name. Be sure to select the correct quarter and print a copy or save a copy of your child's report card or progress report. (When you are at the FOCUS home screen, there are TWO scroll bars. Be sure to scroll the furthest one over to see these tab options.)



The screenshot shows the FOCUS Portal interface. On the left is a navigation menu with options like School Information, My Profile, Preferences, Calendar, and Forms. The 'Forms' section is expanded, showing a dropdown for 'Student Name' with a red box around it and a red arrow pointing to the 'Reports' tab. The main content area shows 'District & School Announcements' with 'News' and 'Events' tabs. Below that is an 'Alerts' section. The 'Student Name' section shows 'Albert F. Baker Elementary School' and a table with columns for Grades, News, Planner, and Reports. The 'Reports' column is highlighted, and a table below it lists courses like 'Fourth Grade' and 'Fourth Grade Art' with columns for 'Teacher', 'Ex', and 'Unx'.

Coaches Corner



Just a reminder we are posting exciting pictures from our activities each day, so follow us on Instagram!

We have a few reminders to keep in mind on the days your child has PE:

- Wear appropriate footwear
- Bring a water bottle with your child's name on it (they can refill at the fountain)
- Follow us on Instagram- [@gatorsfit4fun](https://www.instagram.com/gatorsfit4fun)



*Gullett Elementary PTO
Invites You to A*

Sweet Celebration

At Our

Sweetheart Ball

GULLETT GIRLS...ASK YOUR DAD
OR THAT SPECIAL ROLE MODEL IN YOUR LIFE TO
A NIGHT THEY WILL NEVER FORGET!

APRIL 23 6-8 PM

LAKWOOD RANCH HIGH SCHOOL
(LOCATED IN THE CAFETERIA)
5500 LAKEWOOD RANCH BLVD., 34211



Purchase Your Tickets Online

WWW.GULLETTPTO.COM

TICKETS ARE \$10 PER PERSON

*PLEASE NOTE: DANCE IS FOR GULLETT STUDENTS ONLY

