

**GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION
BEGINNING AND ENDING DATES FOR 2016-2017**

*Revised
6/14/16*

ACTIVITY	DATE FOR FIRST PRACTICE	FIRST CONTEST	MAXIMUM GAMES/DATES	LAST PLAY DATE	AREA/REGION QUALIFIERS DETERMINED	GHSA STATE PLAYOFF DATES				
						First Round/Sectionals	Second Round	Quarterfinals	Semifinals	Finals
FOOTBALL	July 25 (Conditioning) Feb. 1 or later (Spring)	Aug. 19	10 (7 JV)	Nov. 5	Nov. 5	Nov. 11-12	Nov. 18-19	Nov. 25-26	Dec. 2-3	Dec. 9-10
CHEERLEADING	Aug. 1 Feb. 1 or later (Spring)	Aug. 6	6 (4 JV)	Nov. 4	Nov. 5	Nov. 5 (Class A & Coed)			Nov. 11 (Coed & A Finals)	Nov. 12
SOFTBALL (FP) SOFTBALL (SP)	Aug. 1 Feb. 20	Aug. 5 Feb. 25	26 (18 JV) 16	Oct. 8 April 8	Oct. 8 April 8	Oct. 12-13 April 14-15	Oct. 19-20		Oct. 27-28	Oct. 29 April 22
VOLLEYBALL	Aug. 1	Aug. 5	18 (13 JV) Dates	Oct. 8	Oct. 8	Oct. 12-13	Oct. 18 (AA 1st Rnd)	Oct. 22	Oct. 26	Oct. 29
CROSS COUNTRY	Aug. 1	Aug. 8	10 (7 JV) Dates	Oct. 29	Oct. 29					Nov. 4-5
ONE ACT PLAYS	Aug. 1	Aug. 5	-	Oct. 29	Oct. 29					Nov. 5 & Nov. 12
LITERARY	Aug. 1	Aug. 5	-	March 4	March 4					March 11
RIFLERY	Aug. 1	Oct. 3	-	March 25	March 25	April 1			April 12	April 22
SWIMMING	Oct. 17	Oct. 31	10 (7 JV)							Feb. 2-4
BASKETBALL	Oct. 31	Nov. 12	25 (18 JV)	Feb. 11	Feb. 11	Feb. 17-18	Feb. 24-25	March 2-3	March 4	March 8-11
WRESTLING	Oct. 24	Nov. 11	20 (14 JV) Dates	Jan. 26	Du - By Jan. 7 Tr - Jan. 27-28	Tr - Feb. 3-4				Du - Jan. 12-14 Tr - Feb. 9-11
GYMNASTICS	Jan. 9	Jan. 30	10 (7 JV)	April 13		April 15				April 21
TENNIS	Jan. 9	Jan. 30	18 (13 JV)	April 15	April 15	By April 20 (Class A Areas)	By April 25 (Class A 1st Round)	By April 29	By May 2	May 6
SOCCER	Jan. 16	Feb. 6	18 (13 JV)	April 22	April 20	April 25-28	May 2-3	May 5-6	May 9	May 11-13
TRACK - Girls TRACK - Boys	Jan. 16 Jan. 16	Feb. 6 Feb. 6	10 (7 JV) 10 (7 JV)	April 22 April 22	April 22 April 22	April 29 April 29				May 4-6 May 11-13
BASEBALL	Jan. 16	Feb. 13	30 (21 JV)	April 22	April 22	April 28-29	May 4-5	May 10-11	May 17-18	May 25-27
LACROSSE	Jan. 23	Feb. 13	18 (13 JV)	April 29	April 29	May 2-4	May 8-9 (6A-7A only)	May 12 (May 6 in A-5A)	May 17 (May 10 in A-5A)	May 20 (May 13 in A-5A)
GOLF	Feb. 13	Feb. 18	12 (8 JV) Dates	May 9	May 9					May 22-23

NOTE: 2017 "DEAD" WEEK: Sunday, July 2 through Saturday, July 8, 2017