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**SPARTAN NEWS**  
**2026**



**Spartan Newsletter**  
**Monday, April 13, 2026**

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# GMAS Testing Dates

**Parents, please make a note of the dates below. It is important that scholars be present on testing dates**

Third Grade GMAS  
ELA- April 28-30  
Math-April 21-22

Sixth Grade GMAS  
ELA-April 21-23  
Math-April 27-30

Fourth Grade GMAS  
ELA-April 28-30  
Math-April 21-22

Seventh Grade GMAS  
ELA-April 21-23  
Math-April 29-30

Fifth Grade GMAS  
ELA-April 21-23  
Math-April 27-30  
Science-April 27-30

Eighth Grade GMAS  
ELA- April 28-29  
SS- April 30  
Math- May 5-6  
Sci- May 7

EOC- Lit II  
May 12-13

EOC – Biology  
May 14

EOC – Algebra  
May 13-14

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Dear Parent(s),

We would like to invite you to set a *lifesaving example* for your child by giving blood at **Scintilla Charter Academy**. Please sign up for a convenient time to donate blood and invite other family members and friends to join you. **LifeSouth** is a nonprofit and is the **sole provider of blood** to **SGMC Health** and **The Pearlman Cancer Center**. Thank you for serving as a role model for your children by showing them how important it is to save a life. The classroom that brings in the most donors will win **an ice cream party**. In addition, the school will earn **grant money** for school activities and initiatives.

Sincerely,

*LifeSouth Community Blood Centers - Team Valdosta – Tifton*

Please join us for the  
**Scintilla Charter Academy Blood Drive**  
**Tuesday, April 14th**  
**7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**



Please use the QR code to preschedule your donation time. •

Donors will receive a recognition item and cholesterol screening. Donors must be at least 16 years of age, weigh 110 lbs. or more, and have a photo I.D. 16-year-old donors must have signed parental permission to donate.

For more information, please call 229-219-1616 ext. 61311

For 5-year-old Zoie Thompson of Oklawaha, Fla., progress in her battle against leukemia can be measured by the hair on her head.



"We can actually put it in very small pigtails," said Zoie's mother, Danielle Thompson.

Zoie was diagnosed with the disease in December of 2006. She's now in kindergarten at East Marion Elementary School, and she's excited to soon be starting soccer.

Danielle explained that fighting the disease has caused Zoie to grow up quickly. She's talked to her classmates about leukemia, and she's also shared tales of her "blood angels," the donors who've supplied the red blood cells and platelets.

"She knows the people who've donated blood have saved her life," Danielle said.

*Yes, I will give blood on  
Tuesday, April 14th*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home #: \_\_\_\_\_

Work #: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Time to Donate: \_\_\_\_\_

By giving blood, you will help save lives.  
The classroom with the most donations  
will receive a Pizza Party.

**Please return this form to your child's  
teacher.**

\*Prescheduling not required, but encouraged



Scholars may wear purple on  
Wednesday, April 15th

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Friday, April 17th

Scholars are encouraged to show their patriotic pride by wearing Red, White and Blue!!!



We warmly invite all military parents to Spartan Circle to celebrate, honor, and show our appreciation!





**JIMMY JOHN'S**  
Since 1983  
**JJ**  
GOURMET SANDWICHES  
TASTY!

**SCA SEVENTH GRADE SCHOLARS  
PERCENTAGE DAY!!!**  
COME SUPPORT OUR SCHOLARS FOR THEIR  
UPCOMING FIELD TRIP!

**Tuesday, April 21st**  
1337 Baytree Rd, Valdosta, GA 31602

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Click on the link below to check out all of our  
Spartan Athletic Events this week:

[Spartan Athletics Calendar](#)

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**2026-2027  
Middle School Football Cheer**



# CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS

Middle School cheerleading tryouts are for 6th-8th<sup>th</sup> grade scolars. Be dressed and ready in the gym by 3:30 April 13<sup>th</sup>, and April 15<sup>th</sup>



- ✓ 2026-2027 **FOOTBALL** Cheer only
- ✓ Wear SCA colors

**APRIL 13TH & 15TH**

**3:30-5:00**

**@SCA GYM**

**SEE COACH HENDERSON FOR ADDITIONAL INFO**



**2026-2027  
Varsity Football Cheer**



# CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS

Varsity cheerleading tryouts are for 9th-12<sup>th</sup> grade scolars. Make sure to submit prerequisite material by April 10<sup>th</sup>. Be dressed and ready in the gym by 3:30 April 13<sup>th</sup>, April 14<sup>th</sup>, April 15<sup>th</sup>

**APRIL 13TH-15TH**

**3:30-5:00**

**@SCA GYM**

- ✓ Resume & video due by April 10th
- ✓ 2026-2027 **FOOTBALL** Cheer only
- ✓ Wear SCA colors

**SEE COACH HENDERSON FOR ADDITIONAL INFO**

There will be a JV Volleyball Interest Meeting on Monday, April 13th at 3:15pm in Room F106. This is a brief, informational meeting!

# JV VOLLEYBALL TRYOUTS



**APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup> - 24<sup>TH</sup>**  
**(THUR & FRI)**



**START TIME:**  
**3:15 - 5:00**



**SCA GYM**

**Wear athletic clothes,  
knee pads, & tennis  
shoes.**

**We will start at 3:15.  
Don't be late!**



# SCA SPARTAN SPRING '26

MS/US EVENTS

## MARCH

SHAMROCK DANCE - MIDDLE SCHOOL  
FLEXIBLE LEARNING DAY  
QUESTBRIDGE SCHOLARSHIP APPS DUE  
PSAT - 9<sup>TH</sup> AND 10<sup>TH</sup>  
SAT SCHOOL DAY - 11<sup>TH</sup>  
6<sup>TH</sup> FIELD TRIP - COLUMBUS, GA  
SPRING BREAK

MAR 06  
MAR 13  
MAR 24  
MAR 24  
MAR 25  
MAR 26  
MAR 30 - APR 03

## APRIL

CLASS RING & JACKET ASSEMBLY - 10<sup>TH</sup>  
CLASS RING & JACKET ORDERING - 10<sup>TH</sup>  
UGA/GCSU COLLEGE TOUR  
GMAS TESTING - GRADES 3 - 8

APR 06  
APR 10  
APR 21 - 22  
APR 22 - MAY 08

## MAY

PROM - UPPER SCHOOL  
AP EXAMS  
HONORS NIGHT - MIDDLE/UPPER SCHOOL  
EOC TESTING - (ALG 1/BIO/LIT 2/US HIST)  
8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GRADVENTURE - UNIVERSAL  
EUROPE TRIP - UPPER SCHOOL  
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

MAY 02  
MAY 05 & 12  
MAY 11  
MAY 11 - 15  
MAY 15  
MAY 13 - 21  
MAY 20

**SCHOLARS -  
MAKE SURE YOU ARE ON  
TRACK FOR  
GRADUATION  
IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE!**



Our 1st Day School Supplies store is officially live. This is the easiest way to order the exact supplies teachers requested for next year. No searching multiple stores. No guessing brands. No wondering if you selected the right version. In just a few minutes, you can select our school, choose your child's grade, and check school supplies off your list early and stress-free.

[1st Day School Supplies Link](#)

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Upper Grades Scholars: Prom tickets are available to purchase in the upper grades front office through this Friday, April 17th at 1:30pm. Guest forms are due no later than Friday.



# GATSBY GALA NIGHT



MAY

2ND

7-11 PM

Ticket sales in the front office through Friday, April 17th.  
Tickets: \$30 (Tickets at the door for \$35)

SCINTILLA CHARTER ACADEMY

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SCA has released out 2026 - 2027 academic calendar! See below:



# 2026-2027 School Calendar

## Important Dates:

- July 29th-August 4th**  
Pre-planning
- July 31st**  
Open House
- August 5th**  
First Day of School
- September 4th**  
Flexible Learning Day for Scholars
- September 7th**  
Labor Day
- October 12th-13th**  
No School for Scholars/Staff
- October 14th**  
Flexible Learning Day for Scholars
- November 23rd-27th**  
Thanksgiving Break
- December 21st-January 1st**  
Christmas Break
- January 4th-5th**  
No School for Scholars
- January 18th**  
Martin Luther King Day
- February 15th**  
Presidents' Day
- February 16th**  
Flexible Learning Day for Scholars
- March 12th**  
Flexible Learning Day for Scholars
- March 29th-April 2nd**  
Spring Break
- May 19th**  
Last Day of School
- May 20th**  
Graduation
- May 20th**  
Post-Planning

July 2026							August 2026							September 2026							October 2026						
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November 2026							December 2026							January 2027							February 2027						
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March 2027							April 2027							May 2027							June 2027						
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Key

- No School for Scholars/ Staff Work Day
- First Day/Last Day
- No School for Scholars/Staff
- Flexible Learning Day for Scholars/ Staff Work Day