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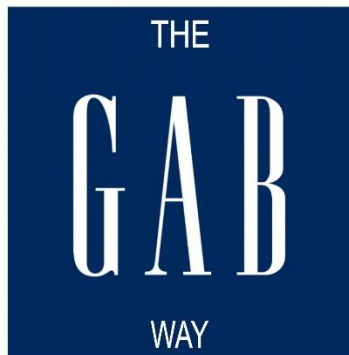
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Mission Statement: The Georgia Academy for the Blind provides quality education services to Georgia's students with visual impairments and/or visual impairments in conjunction with other disabilities to prepare them to achieve their highest level of independence in transition to college and career readiness. Check out this student produced video featuring this Mission Statement: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IRrbhkGSe98>



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## Mark Your Calendars

### November 25-29: Thanksgiving Holidays

### December 13,14, and 15: GA Lions Camp "Christmas Camp"

Deadline for online registration is this Friday 11-22. Please go online to the Lions Camp website and click on the red box for Christmas Camp registration.

### December 19: Annual Winter Music Program and Art Show with Families.

### December 20-January 3 : Winter Holiday Break

### January 20: Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

See our completed calendar on our website: [GABmacon.org](http://GABmacon.org)

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## **Operation Christmas Child**

The students in Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Lynch's EECC classes packaged several boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Each box is filled with school supplies, grooming items, water bottles, soccer balls and pumps, small tools, and socks. The boxes are shipped around the world and will provide deprived children with much needed items. Most of the children who receive the shoe box gifts live in very desperate conditions. The GAB students learned that it is truly more blessed to give than to receive by packaging the Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes.

Mikiya celebrates her birthday for the first time at GAB!



## **BOX TOPS WINNERS!**



**The BOX TOPS contestant has come to an end, but please continue to collect over the Holidays! The winners are:**

**3<sup>rd</sup> place** – Dorrian, he won 5 Panther tickets

**2<sup>nd</sup> place** – Berkley, she won 10 Panther tickets

**1<sup>st</sup> place** – Sammy, he won 15 Panther tickets. Sammy brought 64 BOX TOPS

We collected 179 BOX TOPS during this contest! We are almost at 1,000 BOX TOPS which means \$100.00 for our field trips. The winners were given Poppin' Panther Tickets. Thanks to all who participated, and we will have another contest after the New Year and the new winners will be featured in the newsletter.



# GOALBALL

After a long and hard fought 3 days, our GAB girls swooped in and won the bronze medal in the National High School Goalball Finals! I'm not sure if the girls have ever brought home a trophy before, so I can't even say how proud we are and how grateful we are to Dr. Gibson for this opportunity. Not only did we get 3rd place but 2 of our 3 girls (Tyzia and LaShayla) both were selected for the high school All-American team! It's great to be a GAB Panther!





