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Greetings to the Roswell High School Community,

Several years ago, Roswell High School, and eventually every Fulton school, became a charter school as Fulton became the first charter school district in the State of Georgia.

What this means is that Roswell is “governed” by a School Governance Council, or SGC. This group has a role similar to the District’s Board of Education. While not involved in the day-to-day operations of the school, the RHS SGC develops and monitors the Strategic Plan, approves the budget, and asks the District for waivers (also known as “Requests for Flexibility” or RFFs) from state rules and policies.

One requirement for graduation is that all students in the State of Georgia take a 0.5 credit of Personal Fitness. Several years ago, Roswell (and many other high schools) applied for and received an RFF for students to exempt the Personal Fitness requirement. The waiver reads as follows:

Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year, students who successfully complete one season of marching band or one season of a GHSA-sanctioned sport offered at RHS are eligible to utilize the waiver. In addition, students who successfully complete three years of JROTC are eligible for the waiver. This requirement must be met by the end of the first semester of the student’s senior year.

(While a little outdated, you can read an FAQ about the waiver by clicking [HERE](#)).

As this waiver became more popular with Fulton high schools, the District developed its own waiver which is optional for school SGC’s to adopt. The essential part of the waiver is copied below (and you can see the entire document by clicking [HERE](#)).

Eligibility: The following activities are eligible for utilization of the Universal Personal Fitness Waiver:

- *Two seasons of a GHSA sport (excluding One-Act Play and Literary competitions).*
- *Two seasons of Marching Band Students must start and finish the season in good standing.*
- *All eligibility requirements must be met by the end of the first semester of the student’s senior year.*

It has now become time for the RHS SGC to vote to ask for permission to renew our Personal Fitness Waiver. There are several steps the SGC can take but some options include:

1. Do nothing and let the Personal Fitness RFF expire (which means Personal Fitness would go back to being a graduation requirement).
2. Ask to reauthorize the current Roswell High waiver.
3. Ask to adopt the Fulton County Schools waiver.

The next School Governance Council meeting is 7:15 am on Wednesday, September 12, 2018, and the Personal Fitness Waiver will be on the agenda. Members of the public are invited to come and share their opinions during Public Comment, or you may email one of the parent and/or community members by clicking on the name below.

- [Amy Jewett, Chair](#)
- [Erika Lewis](#)
- [Debra Martino](#)
- [Tony Rosenberg](#)
- [Dylan Penick](#)

In other news, last week the Fulton County School Board made a change to the 2018-2019 school calendar as follows (Here is a [link](#) to the Board item):

- Change Tuesday, November 6, 2018 to a Teacher Work Day. This is currently a regular school day.
- Change Friday, March 8, 2019 to a regular school day. This is currently a Teacher Work Day. This revision will not change the total number of instruction days for students.

Roswell High had also selected March 7 as a local school Professional Development Day. Please stay tuned for more information about this change from Roswell High and the District.

Finally, a reminder that *Open House is September 13, 2018 at 6:30 PM*. More information to follow but please mark your calendars now.

Please continue reading for some additional information and some accolades.

Roswell High School will deploy Surface tablets to all students starting August 21, 2018 through their math classes. Please click [HERE](#) for the Device Agreement

Cross Country

Congratulations to the Roswell Cross Country team for a great start to their season as they competed in the Battle of the Fairways Friday evening. Congrats to the Boys as they finished first overall! Other top finishers included:

<i>Boys Elite</i> 1. Jack Rhodes 8. Jacob Brunner	<i>Girls Elite</i> 5. Mallie McKenzie 8. Sarah Sandreuter	<i>Varsity Boys</i> 4. JC Dombrowski 6. Christian Cartier
<i>JV Girls</i> 2. Melanie Tribeck 5. Kalea Mills 6. Lynley Blocker 9. Maggie Stephens	<i>JV Boys</i> 2. Adam Boys 9. Hunter Watson	<i>Girls Varsity</i> 11. Evie Reeder 15. Addison Turnbull 16. Kelly Foit

Varsity Volleyball

Congratulations to the Varsity Volleyball team as they competed in the Southern Volleyball Center Kickoff Klassik. The Varsity team had a great day defeating Denmark and Lee High School in straight sets. The team fought hard but lost to a very good Lambert team to end their day



Booster Club Mailboxes

Mailboxes were recently installed in the front office to assist with the collection of booster funds. Please read the memorandum [HERE](#) to hopefully clear up any questions about their use.

AVID Certification

A big thank you to the entire Roswell High School AVID team as we have earned the ability to officially call ourselves an AVID school! The AVID program accepted our "CCI" form (the evidence that we are working to implement the program with fidelity).

It is Spirit Week as the Varsity Football Season kicks-off this Friday evening at home against Campbell High!

SPIRIT WEEK

MONDAY 8/20: **AMERICA MONDAY**

TUESDAY 8/21: **Tie Dye Tuesday**

WEDNESDAY 8/22: **Work Uniform
Wednesday**

THURSDAY 8/23: **JERSEY THURSDAY**

FRIDAY 8/24: **BLACK OUT**



Again, thank you for all your help and support. Please always feel free to let me know if I can be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

Robert

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Youth Night is the August 31, 2018 game against
Centennial!