
The Crockett Review

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Thanksgiving Baskets are now being prepared!

As the holiday season approaches, we are preparing for our annual Thanksgiving Basket Donation. Each grade will collect items and decorate a Thanksgiving basket. All baskets will be donated to our very own George Crockett Families. Each classroom is collecting the following items:

- Boxes of stuffing, canned fruit and vegetables, cans of yams, boxes of Jiffy pie crust mix and Jell-O, cake/brownie mixes and frosting, cans/jars of turkey gravy and boxes of instant potatoes, boxes of macaroni and cheese, packages of cornbread mix.

Each student will be designated an item to donate to their class basket. If you would like to add additional items, please see the list above. If you have any questions, please contact the School Social Worker, Ms. Szykiel at (313) 896-6078, Ex. 34. Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving!



Thanksgiving Break November 23-25, 2011

Honors Awards Ceremony

First quarter honors awards ceremony is Friday, November 18, 2011. Times are as follows:

K-5 8:15-8:45 a.m.
6-8 2:15-2:45 a.m.



**Free Dress Day \$1 fundraiser for Thanksgiving Baskets.
Friday, November 17, 2011**

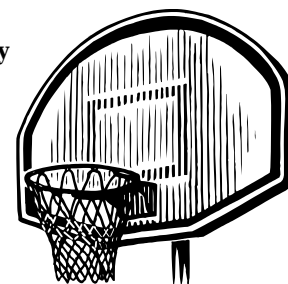
Athletics & Student Life Activities

Next Game: November 16, 2011
GCA vs. Edison 5:45 p.m.
@ University Preparatory Academy

Girls Basketball Practice dates:
Nov. 17, 22
Dec. 1, 6, 8, 13, 15

Cheerleading Practice dates
Nov. 16, 21
Dec. 5, 7, 12, 14

Contact Mr. D. Adams at:
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Mission Statement

George Crockett Academy provides a nurturing, respectful and stimulating academic environment, committed to the empowerment of responsible citizens who are critical thinkers in a global society.



Skillman Foundation "Good School!"



Vision Statement

The entire George Crockett Academy community is committed to developing students who are self-respecting, respectful of others, and dedicated to community service. The students of GCA are taught to believe in the power of law to solve problems for justice and equal rights. The Kwanza principles are the foundations of our vision:

- **Umoja** (Unity)
- **Kujichagulia** (Self-Determination)
- **Ujima** (Creative Work & Responsibility)
- **Ujamaa** (Cooperative Economics)
- **Nia** (Purpose)
- **Kuumba** (Creativity)
- **Imani** (Faith)

If you would like to receive *The Crockett Review* electronically, please leave your email address with the main office at (313) 896-6078.

Edline Parent Activation Code

Each student attending GCA has an activation code so parents can view grades online at Edline.net

If you have not received your Edline activation code please contact Asst. Principal Powell – Johnson at: Tamiko.Powell-Johnson@leonagroup.com or call the main office at (313) 896-6078 for more information or assistance with how to see your child's grades online.

Note: Codes do not change. If you received your code last year it is still valid.

Student Absences

Students accumulating 10 or more absences may be in jeopardy of retention. If your child has chronic tardiness or absences please make an appointment to speak with an administrator.

This Week in African-American History

November 20

1867—Howard University is founded in Washington, D.C., as a result of a Congressional order. The school goes on to become an incubator of African-Americans who play major roles in civil rights as well as Black intellectual and cultural development. It has approximately 12,000 students and is thus one of the largest predominantly Black universities in the nation.

1923—Prolific Black inventor Garrett T. Morgan is awarded a patent for his t-shaped traffic signal—the basis of modern traffic lights. Morgan later sold the rights to the General Electric Corporation for \$40,000. Shortly before his death in 1963, the U.S. government awarded Morgan a citation for his invention. He also invented the gas mask.

Parents, if you have questions or concerns about your child's academic or behavior performance or progress, teachers are available as follows each week:

Behavior Intervention Meetings

K-2 Grades Tuesday 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
3rd – 5th Grades Tuesday 10:15 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.
6th – 8th Grades Tuesday 8:55 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Academic Intervention Meetings

K-2 Grades Thursday 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
3rd – 5th Grades Thursday 10:15 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.
6th – 8th Grades Thursday 8:55 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

To schedule an appointment contact the lead teachers below (313) 896-6078.

Lead Teachers: **K-2** R. Ross (extension 21); **3-5** K. Cecil (extension 25); **6-8** R. Earley (extension 27)

November Events & Activities

Cheerleading	M, W, F 3:15-5:30 p.m.
Girls Basketball	M, W, F 3:15-5:30 (dates on reverse side)
Nov. 18	Nacho Sale
Nov. 20	PTSO Potluck 3:30-5:30



Pizza Day Every Wednesday

Students are served pizza each Wednesday during lunch. They can purchase an **extra** slice of pizza for \$1.25. Extra slices are to be pre-paid by Tuesday of each week for ordering purposes.

Breakfast

Breakfast is served for K-8 each morning beginning at 7:30 a.m. Students will report to the multipurpose room.

November 22

1884—Militant Black journalist and rights advocate T. Thomas Fortune starts the *New York Freeman*, which later became the *New York Age*. He was born in Mariana, Fla., in 1856 and died in Philadelphia, Pa., in 1928. Fortune was easily one of the most driven and influential Black journalists in American history.

November 23

1897—Self-educated engineer Andrew J. Beard is awarded a patent (#594,059) for an automatic railroad car coupling device—the *Jenny Coupler*. Prior to this device rail cars were joined manually and hundreds of workers lost fingers, hands and arms. Beard eventually sold rights to his invention for \$50,000.

1980—Over 1,000 Blacks from 25 states gathered in Philadelphia, Pa., and formed the *National Black Independent Political Party*. However, the lack of funding and Black voter allegiance to the Democratic Party doomed the effort.