

2026-2027
**COMMUNICATIONS
GUIDE**

GET
PLUGGED IN
WITH GDS



COMMUNICATIONS TIP SHEET

Gaston Day is a school with a lot going on at all times. It makes our school an exciting place, but sometimes it can be challenging to find the information you want and need. Here are a few communication tips that will help.

EMAIL

You will receive emails from the Head of School, division heads, departments, and teachers via Gaston Day's email platform Gmail.

ONCAMPUS PLATFORM

OnCampus is Gaston Day School's Learning Management System, and provides an online platform for students and parents to communicate and participate with all aspects of Gaston Day life, not just academics. Furthermore, through OnCampus, you will also be able to access a number of informational items, including calendars, supply lists, and helpful links.

OnCampus can be accessed via any internet browser, such as Safari or Chrome, using any mobile tablet, smartphone, or computer with access to the internet by going to:

<https://gastonday.myschoolapp.com>

For more information visit the Back to School webpage www.gastonday.org/back-to-school-2627/



EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS

In the event of severe weather, utility problems, or other emergencies, the school may need to close on short notice. Emergency information will be disseminated via the **Bright Arrow** text, email, and voicemail notification system. Bright Arrow Short Code **79041** - this is the number you will see when receiving our texts. Save **79041** as our official messaging number. To opt in, simply text "YES" to **79041** and you will receive a confirmation.

SPORTS APP

SportsYou is an app all of our teams are using as the main communication platform. This will be replacing Remind as the primary way for players, parents, and coaches to stay connected outside of our weekly emails (during the school year). SportsYou will allow group chats for players, parents, and the entire team. This will streamline communication and make group messaging more efficient. For an easy sign-up experience, you can download the app and enter the team access code to get started. **For more information visit the Athletics Section on the Back to School webpage** www.gastonday.org/back-to-school-2627/



TUITION MANAGEMENT

Tuition Management is an online payment portal. It provides a user-friendly online platform for families to make tuition and fee payments. You can find this under **MY GDS** on the Gaston Day website www.gastonday.org

ATTENDANCE

Blackbaud is the platform Gaston Day School uses for attendance. Parents should use Blackbaud to report absences, late arrivals, and early dismissals for their students. Lower School parents should notify the school via email attendance@gastonday.org

SCHOOL NEWS

You will receive monthly newsletters via email from each division you have children in.

WEBSITE

You can always visit www.gastonday.org if you're looking for information.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow the school accounts that match your interests, for fun photos, updates on student activities, and news from campus.



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