

Golden Eagle Football - Week of January 23rd - 27th - Post Banquet

Dear Golden Eagle Football Players and Parents,

Our coaching staff would like to thank everyone who played a part in making sure our end of the 2011 season football banquet was a success. The individual pictures will hang on your walls for the rest of your lives. We could not have had the personalized memories for the banquet without the help all year from Mrs. Lisa Hankins. Her ability to take photo pictures of all of our games and make them available to everyone in our program, has placed a personal touch on everything we do. She has captured our program and our heartbeats on film.

I hope you liked the high light DVD. If you have not sat down with your family and watched the entire film, you are missing a treat. I could feel the emotions of the moments as I relived each and every clip. I think my two favorite memories were of Jacob Wilson's interception and the goal line stand against Prince Avenue. If anyone is interested in ordering any other individual photos, just contact Mrs. Hankins. I believe she is going to make individual game disk DVD's available for anyone to purchase. Please e-mail Mrs. Hankins with your request.

Coach Browlee has a new Player/Coach Bible study three weeks out of every month. The only week it is not offered is the second Thursday of each month, which is the week of our football coaches Bible Study. Our staff continues to grow and improve and we are looking hard to find ways to connect better with each and every player in our program from a Biblical view.

We are a week and a half away from the National Football Signing Day and our ACS Senior sendoff on Friday, January 27th, in the drama center. We will honor our senior football players one more time the last part of our Friday morning Chapel Service. This will be a great conclusion to a great football season. We then will begin a new year. I would like to mention the many opportunities we have available and would like to invite everyone to continue to participate in everything we are doing to build a Championship caliber Football Program at ACS.

1) We will kick off our 1st Annual Lift a thon this Friday, January 27th, in our weight classes. We have one month to collect pledges from friends, family, members, community members, businesses, and people who care about assisting us with raising funds for our ACS Strength and Conditioning Weight Room Make Over. Our plans are to raise enough funds to purchase 15 different weight racks and platforms, which will be used by every 6th grade through 12th grade male and female physical education student and every athlete in our entire athletic program. We will send home a hard copy flyer with all of our students this coming Friday morning. We will partner with the school and the Eagle Foundation to assist us.

2) The North East Georgia - Fellowship of Christian Athletes Banquet is on Monday night, January 30th. We will bus our players to the Civic Center in Athens and eat pizza, listen to DJ Shockley (former UGA great), and then help Jack Murray, our Team Chaplain, clean up the Civic Center. It will be a great night and a great message for our players and our program. We will send out details at the end of the week and how we will travel to and from the Banquet. The Banquet is \$50 per person, but there will not be a cost to us, because we are cleaning up.

3) Our ACS high school and ACS youth football coaches will travel to Atlanta to the Frank Glazier Annual Football Clinic on Saturday morning, February 4th. It will be a great day of learning and staff growth. There will be over 800 football coaches from all over the South East United States meeting and listening to the best college and high school coaches teach and show new ideas on offense, defense, and special teams.

4) The University of Tennessee Strength and Speed Player/Coaching Clinic is on Saturday morning, March 4th. Our players and staff will travel to UT on Friday afternoon and will stay in the Holiday Inn in Knoxville, Tenn. We will eat at Ryan's on the way up and on the way back home. Our players will join up with 800 other athletes from all over the South East to have hands on training by one of the best Strength and Speed Clinics offered Nation Wide.

5) The 1st Annual ACS "Athletic GALA" will be the last weekend of March, right before Spring Break begins. This will be a great night of food, fellowship, and a silent auction. This night will be for the parents and friends who supported and joined the Eagle Foundation Booster Club back at the beginning of the football season and for anyone else who would like to have a great night out with their spouse or with a friend. We will kick off the drive to sell tickets to the "GALA" this coming week. We need everyone to assist us with the selling of 240 tickets. We have already obligated the first 60 tickets to the members who purchased family or corporate memberships into the Eagle Foundation. As you all recall, the "GALA" was one of the advantages to purchasing one of our five Eagle Foundation Booster Packages. This was one of our ways we fed over 200 family members and friends before each and every home football game this past year.

We need as many of our athletic family members to assist us with the selling of tickets. We want to sell all 300 tickets to this evening, which involves every ACS family in our athletic program and any friend of an ACS family. As advertised, there will be \$10,000 in prizes and gifts awarded and a great "Silent Auction" to cap off the evening. We will once again convert the Drama Center into a banquet facility for the evening of fellowship and fun.

Last but not least, be on the lookout for news about our ACS Football Web Site Makeover and the news about our newly formed Golden Eagle Football Lettermen's Club. So many neat things are happening behind the scenes to grow our program. "All In" Steve Brooks

