



# Gator Gazette

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## Look What's Happening at Alston Ridge!

Make a difference! Join the PTA board next year. With many families transferring to Horton's Creek, there are many openings for next year's PTA board and committees.

Open board positions -

President,

Treasurer,

Secretary,

VP Social Staff,

VP Academic Programs,

VP Merchant Fundraising,

VP Major Fundraising,

VP Communications,

VP Wellness Programs.

Open Committee positions- Spirit Wear, Room Parent Coordinator, Fun Run, Book Fair, Spirit Night, Newsletter, Website, Stock the Staff Lounge and more.

To learn more, contact [nominate.arpta@gmail.com](mailto:nominate.arpta@gmail.com). All positions will be provided training and support. The sooner you join in, the more training you will receive! When we all help together, we create a dynamic school.



# Upcoming Events

Mark Your  
Calendars!



March 16 - Spirit Night, Brixx Pizza 5-8pm  
March 21 - Orders Due for ArtByMe  
April 5- Career Fair @ 2:00pm (tr. 1)  
April 6 - Meet the Mascot, 6:30-8pm (Cafeteria)  
April 7 - Last Collection day for Student Council  
Animal Drive  
April 8 - Plant Spring Flower Beds, 9am-12pm  
April 22 - Gator Fest Spring Carnival @ 4-7pm

## ***GATOR FEST SPRING CARNIVAL***

**April 22nd, 4-7pm**

**Dunk tank, giant slide and other inflatables, [author Wylde Scott show](#), raffles, kid-friendly vendors, photo booth, face painting and more!**

**May 20th rain date**

**Please consider sending in a raffle basket donation for Gator Fest by April 13th. [See your class's theme.](#)**

**Buy your family ticket and raffle tickets today! A family ticket is \$10. Raffle tickets cost \$1.**

**Purchase by logging into our [website](#), then go to the "Online Forms" tab OR return the envelope which is coming home soon.**

**To make Gator Fest a success, please [volunteer](#) for an hour at the festival.**



# Art By Me

To those participating, please order by March 21st online or send in your order form.

**Thank you** to the **Science Olympiad** team and all of the scientists who made projects for the **Science Expo!**

SIGN UP FOR **SPRING YOGA!**

MONDAYS 8:15-8:45AM  
IN THE MEDIA CENTER.



**Alston Ridge now has a mascot who will visit school events!**

**Meet and greet  
Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>  
6:30-8pm  
Cafeteria**



**RCITYROCKS – MARCH MADNESS!! FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, R CITY ROCKS WILL BE MATCHING ALL DONATIONS FROM OUR BUSINESS PARTNERS AND DONATING \$500 TO THE NONPROFIT WITH THE MOST RECEIPTS SUBMITTED IN MARCH. TEXT JOIN TO ARPTA@RCITYROCKS.COM AND TEXT RECEIPT PHOTOS FROM YOUR PARTNERS. EASY PEASY!**

## **Student Council Animal Shelter Drive**

Collection through April 7th

Please send in:

Paper Towels

Newspapers

Cat Litter

Pet Brushes and Combs

Puppy and Kitten Formula (KMR) - unopened

Hard dog toys and soft cat toys

Fleece blankets

Wet food

Unopened bags of food and treats

Pet Nursing Kits

Pet Crates

Bath Towels

Leashes, collars

Bandanas





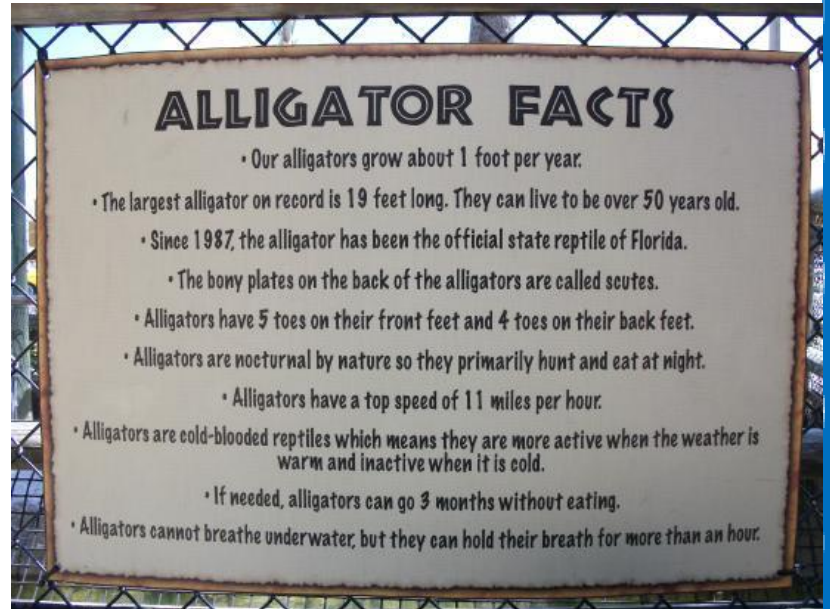
**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

**THE LIBRARIANS NEED OUR HELP TO KEEP THE LIBRARY ORGANIZED.**

**COME WHEN YOU ARE AVAILABLE – MORNING OR AFTERNOON.**

**ESL EXAM PROCTORS NEEDED**

# Did You Know??



Come plant educational gardens in the courtyard! Fun Run funds are being put to great use.

Sign up for an hour or more on Saturday April 8th 9am-12pm.



**Shorts and pants needed – The School Office is asking for clean, gently used shorts and pants for the nurse's office for students in need. Thank you!**





# WHERE TO GO, TO BE IN THE KNOW!

Like "Alston Ridge PTA" on  
Facebook to get all the  
latest updates  
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Ridge Elementary  
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2016-17 PTA Board  
President - Corinne Nicoara  
Treasurer- Pakita Lee  
Secretary- nominee Clare Kneis for nomination  
VP of Academic Programs- Lakshmi Shridhar  
VP of Social Programs - Teachers- nominee Natalie McCarver  
VP of Social Programs - Families- Renata Tracy  
VP of Merchant Fundraising- Latacha Oliviera  
VP of Fun Nights- Mary Jane Reyes-Ford  
VP of Major Fundraising- Mary Batrouni

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