

# The Advance

e-news for DHS Wildcats Fencing

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## Team Social Tomorrow

Monday, October 8 (Columbus Day)

Fencers are invited to the Murphy's house tomorrow, October 8th, any time between 11-4 just to hang out, play Xbox/Switch, board games, or cards. We'll have pizza and drinks, but feel free to bring a snack to share.

**Where:** 4662 Devonshire Road

**When:** Mon., Oct. 8th from 11 am - 4 pm

### This Week & Upcoming:

- Mon 10/8 - Columbus Day Games at the Murphy's, 11-5
  - Wed 10/10 - Ref Clinic | Milton H.S. | 6:30-9:15pm | RSVP below
  - Thu 10/11 - Regular practice
  - Thu 10/11 - deadline to tell Mrs. Forbes if NOT fencing in the next tournament, 10/20
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- Thu 10/18 - Regular practice
  - Next Tournament: Sat., 10/20 at Johns Creek H.S.
  - Thu 10/25 - Team participates in Homecoming Parade. No practice; optional practice at Kingswood, 7:15 pm
  - Sat 10/ 27 - Tournament at Campbell H.S.

Our website's [calendar](#) or see the year-at-a-glance at the bottom of this newsletter.

### Thursday, the 11th

Let Mrs. Forbes know by this Thursday, the 11th, if you will **NOT** be fencing in the 10/20 tournament.

### Referee Clinic - THIS Wednesday.

Wednesday, October 10

The third GHSFL Referees Clinic of the 2018-19 season will be held this Wednesday, October 10th.

Venue: Milton High School 13025 Birmingham Highway Milton, GA 30004  
Date: October 10, 2018

Start Time: **6:30 pm sharp**

Class will run no later than 9:15pm

Fee: \$15.00 per person. Cash would be preferred, but if you are paying for a group by check please make them out to Kathy Vail.

Please RSVP to [kathy.vail@ghsfl.net](mailto:kathy.vail@ghsfl.net)

Kathy Vail  
Vice-chair, Georgia High School Fencing League

### **Ease into being a referee:**

- **go to the clinic just to learn what's involved - no pressure!**
- be a timekeeper or scorekeeper to see what happens up close
- try-it-out as a ref at our Thursday practices
- upcoming clinic information below

### **Have a relaxing weekend!**

photo credit: Jeff Thelen



**Add your pictures**  
(let's have a huge photo show  
for spring banquet fun!)

**Drag/drop to add photos [HERE](#).**

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**Webmaster: [Gary Sonnier](#)**

### **Remember Our Results Page**

*DHS Wildcats Fencing Website*

Bookmark our [Results](#) page to look back on results quickly

or to get the scoop as soon as they're posted.

[www.dhsfencing.org](http://www.dhsfencing.org)

# **WILDCATS**

**Women's Team: 1st Place (out of 19)**

**Men's Team: 8th Place (out of 21)**



## **Falling Short**

*EASY Volunteer Slots*

We're short on a couple of the easiest ways to cover our bases and be a volunteer. For the 10/27 and later tournaments, we need AM and PM Responsible Parents and a Coolers of Water.

*SIGN-UP (look for "AM or PM Responsible Parent" and "Cooler of Water")*

*Thank you in advance!*

## **Referees and Scorekeepers**

*Important Sign-up Ahead of Time Needed*

It's important to sign up as a ref ASAP so that we know if we need to hire one before they're all taken. Also, we'd like to avoid a last minute scramble in submitting names prior to tournament day for the (new) official sign-in sheets that are pre-printed.

Right now, we're short a couple of refs for the next 2 tournaments.

*This year's sign-up for referees.*

**Active refs and scorekeepers: NEW - tournament sign-in sheets are now separate for refs and scorekeepers. Be sure to sign the appropriate sheet. The ref sheet will have pre-printed names on it.**

## **Volunteer Opportunities - Jump In**

- **Fundraising Chair:** Reel in financial support for our team.
- **Tournament Volunteer:** Sign up for a job [HERE](#)

Contact: Sharon Murphy - [dunwoodyhsfencing@gmail.com](mailto:dunwoodyhsfencing@gmail.com) or 404.372.7663

## **Growing Team Needs**

With a larger team this year, our club continues to grow and with that comes the need for additional equipment and skilled people. This past year we've

purchased 2 more electronic fencing strips (\$1,100 each), hired an assistant coach, and we'll cover the cost of referees as needed during tournaments - just a few of the bigger ticket items.

Thoughtfully consider a sponsorship or donation to keep our team strong.

Donations are tax deductible.

Make checks payable to: DHS Wildcats Fencing, Inc.,  
which is a 501(c)3 charitable organization.

[Click here to learn more about sponsorship levels.](#)

**[DONATE HERE](#)**

Contact: Eric Kasowski - [ekasowski@yahoo.com](mailto:ekasowski@yahoo.com) or 404-680-0890

## **Helpful Links & Files**

[Absolute Fencing Gear](#)

[Tournament 101](#)

[DHS Fencing Website](#)

[DHS Fencing By-laws](#)

[Dunwoody Fencing Club](#)

[Email DHS Fencing](#)

[Pictures: Browse and Add!](#)

[Volunteer Sign-up](#)

## **2018/19 Calendar**

***Practices are Thursdays from 3:10pm - 5:30pm at DHS unless notified.***

### **October**

4 (Thu): Fall Break - no regular practice after school

4 (Thu): Optional Practice | Kingswood | 7:15pm

8 (Mon): Team Social | Games at the Murphy's house

20 (Sat): Tournament - Round 3; Location: Johns Creek HS

25 (Thu): **Homecoming parade** team participation in lieu of 3:10-5:30 practice

25 (Thu): Optional Practice | Kingswood | 7:15pm

27 (Sat): Tournament - Round 4; Location: Campbell HS

### **November**

No tournaments are scheduled...happy Thanksgiving!

TBD: Team Pictures (last year they were on 11/29/17)

### **December**

1 (Sat): Tournament - Round 5; Location: Roswell HS

**14 (Fri): EVERYONE! TOURNAMENT PREPARATION after school**

**15 (Sat): HOME TOURNAMENT at DHS - Round 6**

### **January**

12 (Sat): Tournament - Round 7; Location: Lassiter HS

26 (Sat): Individual Championship; Location: Chattahoochee HS

### **February**

2 (Sat): Team Championship; Location: Alpharetta HS

7 (Thu): GHSFL Day at the Capitol (Recognition of GHSFL schools and champions)

End of February - plan to get next year's physical now and check it off your list!

### **March**

TBD: Last Practice Date for the 2018/19

TBD: DHS Pep Rally Demonstration

TBD: End-of-the-Year Banquet

TBD: Demonstration at Peachtree Middle School

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### Team captains 2018-19

**Team Captain: Megan Murphy**

**Men's Team Captain: Robbie Garber**

**Women's Team Captain: Sarah MacElroy**

**Assistant Captains:**

**Sara Gelber**

**Hannah Soderberg**

### **Head Coach**

Kathy Vail

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### **Assistant Coach**

Carol Hickey

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### **DHS School Sponsors**

Cecilia Forbes

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Sonya Williams, Co-sponsor

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### **Team Parent**

Sharon Murphy

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### **2018-2019 Board**

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