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Members of Eagle Nation encouraged to come out to practices

Football

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STATESBORO, Ga. – The Georgia Southern football program announced Wednesday its preseason practice schedule, along with details of several special preseason events throughout August.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

The football squad is set to report on Thursday, Aug. 2, with the first practice of preseason camp scheduled for Friday, Aug. 3. Below is the practice schedule for the preseason. The team invites all fans of GS Football out to watch and support the team as it begins preparations for the 2018 season. At the bottom of the article is the schedule and locations. Times and locations are subject to change, so please check [@GSAthletics_FB](#) on Twitter for updates.

STATESBORO COACHES CARAVAN

Join Georgia Southern alumni, fans and friends in the area to find out what's new and what's to come in Eagle Athletics - you'll even have a chance to meet Georgia Southern University coaches! A Coaches Caravan ticket includes heavy hors d'oeuvres, the opportunity to meet Georgia Southern coaches, a chance to win True Blue prizes, a program that includes an update from Athletics' personnel, and an open bar at the Gene Bishop Field House (21+). Following the Caravan, stick around for the Meet the Eagles Fan Fest starting at 5:30 p.m. To get tickets, visit [GSEagles.com/Caravan](#).

MEET THE EAGLES FAN FEST

The annual Meet the Eagles Fan Fest sponsored for the CORE Credit Union will be held on Saturday, Aug. 11 at Allen E. Paulson Stadium. Gates will open at 4:30 p.m. and the football team will hold an open scrimmage at 5:30 p.m. followed by an autograph session with the football team, and volleyball and cheerleading squads. The public is invited to the scrimmage and fans will be allowed to come on the field when the scrimmage is over. The North Concourse will be the only side open and fans may enter through Gate 12

near Bishop Field House.

It's never too late to get in the spirit of tailgating -- the tailgate lot will be open for all fans to setup their tents, RV's, grills, and flags before the fan fest. All fans are encouraged to come out and celebrate the upcoming football season with their fellow members of Eagle Nation. Dumpsters will be available for trash and bathrooms will be setup for fans to use.

The athletics department will open the Field of Dreams during the scrimmage with footballs available for kids to play with and inflatables to enjoy. CORE Credit Union will have a photo booth with fun props, cheerleaders, and GUS on the North Concourse during the scrimmage. Concessions will be available during the scrimmage and during the autograph session. Additionally, the University Store will be open for fans to purchase all of their Adidas gear to get ready for the season.

Fans will be allowed to get autographs from their favorite football players and head coach [Chad Lunsford](#) at the festival. In addition, the volleyball team, cheerleading squad, and GUS will be in attendance, grouped on the field. Fans can bring in outside items to be signed and posters from each sport will be provided free of charge to those who wish to get one signed. Photos may be taken, but selfies and posed photographs that hold up the line will not be permitted so that everyone can get their items signed in the allotted time.

Meet the Eagles Fan Fest is free and open to fans of all ages. Parking is also free. Fan Fest will also be the first chance for fans to pick up their football season ticket packets and Eagle Fund membership benefits at the Gate 8 ticket booth starting at 5:30 pm. For those who haven't purchased their season tickets, they can do so at the event, as well or purchase them online at GSEagles.com/Tickets. The ticket booth will close at the end of the event. Volleyball, men's & women's soccer and men's & women's basketball season tickets will also be available for purchase.

Junior Eagle Club memberships will also be available to purchase at Gate 8 for any little Eagles ages 4-12. Junior Eagle Club members receive exclusive benefits throughout the year including a T-shirt, free admission to the home football game vs. Troy on Nov. 10, free admission to other selecting sporting events, and special member parties. For those who purchase memberships in advance, they may pick up their benefits packet. To go ahead and sign up for the Junior Eagle Club and to learn more, [click here](#).

WOMEN'S CLINIC

The Georgia Southern Women's Football Clinic will be held on Saturday, Aug. 4 at Paulson Stadium, Bishop Field House, and the Ted Smith Family Football Center. Ladies of Eagle Nation will enjoy food and beverages, an equipment fashion show, Football 101, an official clinic T-shirt, and much more! Registration and more information can be found at GSEagles.com/WFBC. Registration for the clinic closes on July 27.

GS ARMSTRONG CAMPUS FAN FEST

Georgia Southern will take a practice on the road as it heads to Savannah for a Friday night practice. The Eagles will head east on I-16 and will practice at the soccer field on the Georgia Southern Armstrong Campus on Friday, Aug. 24 at 6 p.m.. During the practice, fans may enjoy inflatables and corn hole in the adjacent softball field. Free T-shirts will be provided for all Georgia Southern University students while they last. Following the completion of the scrimmage, the team will hold an autograph session for all fans. Fans may bring their own items to be autographed but free 2018 football posters will be provided. Photos may be taken, but selfies and posed photographs that hold up the line will not be permitted so that everyone can get their items signed in the allotted time.

The festival will also be a great time for new students on the GS Armstrong Campus to learn our football game day chants and traditions. Fans will also enjoy music from members of the Southern Pride Marching Band, in addition to the cheerleaders and GUS.

The Athletics Ticket Office will be on-site for those who want to purchase football season tickets, single-game tickets, or away game tickets. Volleyball, men's & women's soccer and men's & women's basketball season tickets will also be available for purchase. Please Note: Football season ticket packets and Eagle Fund membership benefits will **not** be available for pick up at the Georgia Southern Armstrong Campus Fan Fest.

Junior Eagle Club Memberships will also be available to purchase.

The Georgia Southern Armstrong Campus Fan Fest is free and open to fans of all ages. Parking is also free and fans may park in the large Sports Center parking lot on-campus.

Georgia Southern Preseason Football Schedule

Date (Time, Location)

Fri., Aug. 3 (8:30-10:30 AM, Eagle Creek)
Sat., Aug. 4 (8:30-10:30 AM, Eagle Creek; Women's Clinic)
Sun., Aug. 5 (4-6 PM, Paulson)
Mon., Aug. 6 (8:30-10:30 AM, Eagle Creek)
Tues., Aug. 7 (8:30-10:30 AM, Eagle Creek)
Wed., Aug. 8 No Practice
Thurs., Aug. 9 (8:30-10:30 AM, Eagle Creek)
Fri., Aug. 10 (8:30-10:30 AM, Eagle Creek; Eagle Creek Baptism; Operation Move-In)
Sat., Aug. 11 (6 PM, Paulson - Scrimmage #1; Fan Fest)
Sun., Aug. 12 (8:15-9:45 AM, Paulson)
Mon., Aug. 13 No Practice
Tues., Aug. 14 (4:30-6:30 PM; Eagle Creek)
Wed., Aug. 15 (4:30-6:30 PM; Eagle Creek)
Thurs., Aug. 16 (4:30-6:30 PM; Eagle Creek)
Fri., Aug. 17 (4:30-6:30 PM, Paulson - Scrimmage #2)
Sat., Aug. 18 (TBD, TBD)
Sun., Aug. 19 (7 PM, Paulson)
Mon., Aug. 20 No Practice
Tues., Aug. 21 (4:30-6:30 PM; Paulson)
Wed., Aug. 22 (4:30-6:30 PM; Paulson)
Thurs., Aug. 23 (4:30-6:30 PM; Paulson)
Fri., Aug. 24 (6-8 PM, Fan Fest to follow, GS Armstrong Campus - Savannah)
Sat., Aug. 25 (TBD, TBD)

The game week schedule will be released at a later time.