

# GCHS preparing for huge crowd for annual rivalry game with George County this Friday

*Pre-sale tickets, traffic controls planned to make game experience better for fans*

*From Staff Reports*

Greene County High School officials are expecting a capacity crowd at Wildcat Stadium this Friday when the George County Rebels visit for the annual Battle for the Bell.

GCHS Principal Scott Bray announced Monday the school would pre-sale game tickets beginning Tuesday. Anyone who would like to purchase tickets prior to game time to avoid delays at the gates can do so by visiting the school office during regular school hours through Friday. Tickets will also be available inside the school late Friday afternoon during the GCHS Baseball Annual Steak Dinner fundraiser.

"This is such a big game for the fan bases at both schools and we wanted to take extra steps to make sure we make the game-day experience a good one," Bray said. "Pre-selling tickets is one way to help reduce congestion at the gates prior to game time."

"We also encourage fans to give themselves a little extra time to get to the stadium and to their seats."

School officials are also taking steps to make the trip home a little easier and safer

for fans attending the game. Immediately after the game, traffic on High School Road will be contraflowed in a single direction from the campus entry gate closest to the concessions stand to the intersection with Miss. 57. Fans leaving the game and wishing to travel south on High School Road can do so can do so from the visitors' parking lot or the south entrance to the Rural Events Center's parking area across the street from the school. Fans parked on the school's main campus can also go south on High School Road, but must exit the campus from the gate adjacent to the concessions stand.

Area residents should make note of the contraflow plans and the expected traffic congestion around the school zone and take an alternate route if possible.

"This is a fun night for fans from both schools and we want to make sure we do all we can to make memorable for all the right reasons," Bray added. "We ask that everyone use caution and exercise patience to avoid any unfortunate issues."

For more information about game day policies or to find out more about pre-sale tickets for the game, call the GCHS office at (601)394-5290.

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