

2008-09 GSPA Individual Awards

Category (entries)	All Georgia	Superior(s)
1 – News Package (4)	Jacob Hamalian “Presidential Fervor” The Dec Decatur HS	Alexandra McColl, Jordan Crawford “Atlanta Dog Jog” GNN Grady HS
2 - Broadcast In-Depth News/Documentary (1)	Neima Abdulahi “Lost Legacy” The Dec Decatur HS	
3 - Broadcast Feature Package (7)	Jacob Rogers-Martin “A Home for the Homeless” The Dec Decatur HS	Aubry Meers, “Perfect Pizza,” The Dec, Decatur HS Daniel Hamson-Asyo, “Yo Yo Hamson,” The Dec, Decatur HS
4 - Broadcast Production (3)	Jordan Wofford “Senoir Night” GNN Grady HS	
5 – Broadcast Sports Package (2)	Kershon Odom, Tonyaa Ard, Tyler Kelly “Viking Sports Center” Viking News Network Lowndes HS	
6 - Poem (15)	Megan Bell “Gained Collision” The Gyre Eagle’s Landing HS	Jennifer Ma, “On a Ecologists Deathbed,” The Muse, Northview HS Ashley Harzog, “Another One of Those Poems about Butterflies and Falling in Love,” The Muse, Northview HS
7 – Short Story (14)	Sarah Bahr “The Singular Mystery of the Missing Goat” Helicon Roswell HS	Jessica Clark, “Not with a Bang but a whimper,” The Muse, Northview HS Melissa Haghighat, “A.I.,” Helicon, Roswell HS Megan Mabry, “Noah,” Helicon, Roswell HS

8 – Artwork (14)	Sunny Ren “Mirror, Mirror” The Muse Northview HS	Judy Yoon, “Thanks,” The Muse, Northview HS Brandon Treadway, “Clouds,” The Gyre, Eagle’s Landing HS
9 – Cover Design LM (6)	Morgan Brown “Degrees of Attraction” The Muse Northview HS	Megan Mabry/Christine Varstrom/Anisa Hara, “Helicon Fall 08,” Helicon, Roswell HS Brandon Treadway, “2009 Literary Magazine Cover,” The Gyre, Eagle’s Landing HS
10 – Photograph LM (13)	Chris Folea “Forsaken Discovery” Threshold North Forsyth HS	Melissa Haghighat, “Copenhagen,” Helicon, Roswell HS Ashley Jansen, “No Place to Go,” The Gyre, Eagle’s Landing HS
11 – Spread Design (8)	Sarah Bahr/Danielle Evans/Megan Mabry “Noise” Helicon Roswell HS	Jessica Clark, “Not with a Bang but a Whimper,” The Muse, Northview HS Christa Myslinski, “Still Pending,” The Muse, Northview HS
12 – News Story (81)	Megan White “Economic crisis hits Northview” Northview Messenger Northview HS	Reilly Bowers, “Homecoming week unlike any other,” The Prowler, Union Grove Emily Kistner, “House Bill 81: The Rebekah Bill,” The Verve, The King’s Academy Melony Grant, “Sluggish economy prompts students to help others,” The Forum, North Hall HS Alexandria Cantreu, “In the unprotected music hall, misconduct abounds,” The Southerner, Grady HS Keely Youngblood, “Community rally supports beltline,” The Southerner, Grady HS Rebekah Rabun, “It’s Unanimous: Trustees vote to join GHSA,” The Saga, First Presbyterian Day Jamie Brittain, “Ant problem nearly exterminated by dedicated custodial staff,” The Eagle’s Time, Eagle’s Landing HS Jessica Bakalar and Tracy Kottwitz, “Teacher Layoffs,” The Speculator, Chattahoochee HS Alexis Norton, “New Year, New Courses,” The Talon, Etowah HS Lauren Clark, “Economic crisis hits school system,” The Panoptic, Lee County HS
13 – In-depth News Story (53)	Jessie Frary “Career academics take students from...” Odyssey Newsmagazine Clarke Central HS	Staff, “Can you keep a secret?” The Panoptic, Lee Co. HS Jared Dunn and Daniel Li, “Out in the Open,” The Northview Messenger, Northview HS Caroline McKay, “Housing slump mars local neighborhood,” The Southerner, Grady HS Jing Han, “Wrong way out,” Odyssey Newsmagazine, Clarke Central HS Will Moore, “‘Renovation’ required to solve cafeteria issue,” The Hurricane Watch, Monroe Area HS

14 - Feature Story (85)	Lauren Pruitt "Lost in the system" Odyssey Newsmagazine Clarke Central HS	Eva Crowe, "Consolidating Colors," Odyssey Newsmagazine, Clarke Central HS Jenni Seale, "What's Cookin'?" The Saga, First Presbyterian Day School Jared Dunn, "It's yellow, absorbent and seen on TV," The Northview Messenger, Northview HS Caroline Foster, "The evolution of Baxter Street," Odyssey Newsmagazine, Clarke Central HS Krishna Patel, "Vampire fad," The Speculator, Chattahoochee HS John Edwards, "Trail Bound: Scout troop treks through New Mexican wilderness," Carpe Diem, Decatur James Smith and Burgess Brown, "Teacher becomes the master," The Central Post, Central HS
15- Feature Profile (65)	Jenni Seale "Learning to live" The Saga First Presbyterian Day School	Rachel Amster, "When the lights go down in the city," Odyssey Newsmagazine, Clarke Central HS Donald Simpson, "Despite obstacles Ward made history," BrookSpeak, Pebblebrook HS Mary Margaret Greene, "The devil went down to Georgia, she was looking for a wish to grant," Carpe Diem, Decatur HS Lauren Pruitt, "A glimmer of hope," Odyssey Newsmagazine, Clarke Central HS Olivia Hartley, "Taking a 'Leap of Faith': Journey into the music industry," The Forum, North Hall HS Jessica Word, "Lost trailers not so lost anymore," The Panoptic, Lee County HS
16 - Column (47)	Jenni Seale "Language, distance no barrier for OPA and me. What it's like to spend a day in a wheelchair" The Saga First Presbyterian Day School	Bryan Barks, "Letter from the editor," Odyssey Newsmagazine, Clarke Central HS Jane Beal, "Assertions of school diversity unnoticed/Phelps' misconduct forgivable, over-pulicized," The Southerner, Grady HS Olivia Scofield, "Policy goals pale in comparison/Internet norms unsuitable," The Southerner, Grady HS Alexandria Cantrell, "Portrayal of women in advertising unrealistic/vapid announcements unhelpful," The Southerner, Grady HS
17 – Opposing Viewpoints Column (36)	Glory Nix/Willamaw Boling "Student stance: Magnet versus non-magnet" The Southerner Grady HS	Alex Ben-Dor/Jeff Morrell, "Israel's offensive stance approach," The Accolade, Centennial HS Gayatri Setia/Tori Bambo, "Strict vs. Lax," Odyssey newsmagazine, Clarke Central HS Amanda Wolkin/ Connie Roberts, "Opposing views: Would school vouchers benefit our education system?" The Oracle, North Springs HS
18 – House editorials (31)	Staff of The Oracle "Abstinence-only sex education defies common sense/U.S. should be cautious of Barack Obama's promises/Education: The priority" The Oracle North Springs HS	Bryan Barks/Kinsey Clark/Christina Downs, "Our Take," Odyssey Newsmagazine, Clarke Central HS Aubrey Edkins, "Newest words don't help our language/Panthers could go 'green' with golf carts/ 'Must have' technology killing conversations," The Prowler, Starr's Mill HS

19 – Commentary (66)	Paige Sullivan, “Women need to protect themselves in today’s society/End of year brings new stress for graduates,” The Hurricane Watch, Monroe Area HS	<p>Taylor Fulton, “Idolatry creates false hope, unrealistic expectations/Georgia-Russia quarrel foolish on both sides,” The Southerner, Grady HS</p> <p>Shelby Rudd, “Beltline project wastes funds, needs derailing/Despite controversy, new policies beneficial to student body,” The Southerner, Grady HS</p> <p>Nicholas Slayton, “Russia and the world; shaken, not stirred/Welcome to the real twenty-first century,” The Roar, Peachtree Ridge HS</p> <p>Graham Elder, “I lika do cha cha; suffering from senioritis,” The Northview Messenger, Northview HS</p> <p>Aaron Brown, “The Republican/Christian Compromise/ Torture: Which Stadium Should Apply,” The Eluminatus Courant, Eluminatus</p> <p>Travis Clary, “Joe the Plumber doesn’t cut it as a journalist/NASCAR burns previous commodity,” The Eluminatus Courant, Eluminatus</p> <p>Victoria Lang, “Yes, Virginia, There is a third party/Differences don’t detract from humanity,” The Eluminatus Courant, Eluminatus</p>
20 – Critical Review (65)	Ben Burkett, “ ‘Ember’ sparks a fire,” The Warrior’s Word, Southwest Georgia Academy	<p>Jake Adams, “Try the stack for burgers,” The Saga, First Presbyterian Day School</p> <p>Alex Eversbusch, “In Flames with Gajira, 36 Crazy Fists, All that Remains,” Northview Messenger, Northview HS</p> <p>Olivia Hartley, “ ‘Eagle Eye’ soars as one of the best thrillers of the year,” The Forum, North Hall HS</p> <p>Brigid Choi and Allison Grimmett, “Media Mayhem,” Lakeside Legend, Lakeside HS</p> <p>Kate Federmon, “Anything but ordinary love,” The Talon, Etowah HS</p> <p>Courtney Marshall, “Nick and Nora’s Infinite Playlist,” Silver Star, Shaw HS</p>
21 – Sports News Story (60)	Jeffrey Rogers “That’s How We Roll” Odyssey Newsmagazine Clarke Central HS	<p>Michael Goolsby, “Former knights return as warriors,” The Southerner, Grady HS</p> <p>Jessica Hale, “When being a ‘bonehead’ isn’t a bad thing,” The Greyhound Tracks, Pope HS</p> <p>Courtney Brown, “Intensity lives here,” Odyssey newsmagazine, Clarke Central HS</p> <p>Elizabeth Soules, “Rifle team aims for magical 1,000 points,” The Hurricane Watch, Monroe Area HS</p> <p>Jenni Seale, “New teacher hopes to bring volleyball team to FPD,” The Saga, First Presbyterian Day School</p>
22 – Sports Game Coverage (14)	Jamison Kinnane “First-half flurry unravels upset of No. 1 Druid Hills” The Southerner Grady HS	<p>Jake Martin, “Boys rebound from ’08 season,” The Southerner, Grady HS</p> <p>Patrick Barnhard, “Boys soccer finishes most successful season,” The Roar, Peachtree Ridge HS</p> <p>Justin Jackson, Youyn Ackey and Jay Sanders, “Raiders End Two-Game Losing Streak,” The Summit, Benjamin E. Mays HS</p>

<p>23 – Sports Feature Story (66)</p>	<p>Chris Harper “Bringing up Billy’s Boys” Odyssey Newsmagazine Clarke Central HS</p>	<p>Rebekah Rabun, “Double Vision,” The Saga, First Presbyterian Day School Solomon Jordan, “Coaches recall glory days,” Carpe Diem, Decatur HS Cassie Evans, “Still waters run deep,” Cassie Evans, Clarke Central HS Rebekah Rabun, “There’s always hope,” The Saga, First Presbyterian Day School Daniel Kramer, “New volleyball coach hopes to serve up state qualifiers,” The Oracle, North Springs HS Jamei Brittain, “Smith’s recovery key to season,” The Eagle’s Time, Eagle’s Landing HS John Colburn, “The Sky is the Limit,” Pitchfork, Marietta HS</p>
<p>24 – Sports Column (17)</p>	<p>Jake Martin “Students unlikely to turn to steroids, Students lack supports for school athletic events” The Southerner Grady HS</p>	<p>Polina Marinova, “Athlete of the month – senior Karlin Edwards/ Athlete of the month – senior Ashlee Sterling,” The Oracle, North Springs HS Eason Cargo, “Sportsview: we’ll miss you skip/fair weather fans can eat my jorts,” The Northview Messenger, Northview HS</p>
<p>25 – Headline writing (40)</p>	<p>Amelia Kovacevich, The Southerner, Grady HS</p>	<p>Richard Williams, The Prowler, Union Grove HS Minh Lam, The Southerner, Grady HS Rachel Amster, Odyssey Newsmagazine, Clarke Central HS</p>
<p>26 – caption writing (17)</p>	<p>Lily Muntzing, The Southerner, Grady HS</p>	<p>Emma French, The Southerner, Grady HS Kylee Hanley, Mill Creek Chronicle, Mill Creek HS Killian Begnaud, Odyssey Newsmagazine, Clarke Central HS</p>
<p>27 – editorial cartoon (37)</p>	<p>Kelly Douglas “Horton Hears a Huh?” The Southerner Grady HS</p>	<p>Emily Silva, “Livin’ la vida Lauren: One baby step at a time,” Odyssey, Clarke Central HS Fred Brown, “Do we really support the ideas of Barack Obama?” BrookSpeak, Pebblebrook HS Jessica McDaniel, “Morbid, but still just movies,” The Warrior’s Word, Southwest Ga. Academy Drew Hardin, “Cartoon,” The Sentinel, Brookwood HS</p>
<p>28 – sports photograph (43)</p>	<p>Jonathan Bush Softball Picture The Prowler Union Grove H.S</p>	<p>Macy Lister, Wrestling team wins third straight South Metro title, The Prowler, Union Grove H.S Cassie Evans, Scaling new heights, Odyssey Clarke Central H.S Madison Begnaud, The Wonder from down under, Odyssey, Clarke Central H.S Michael Stolorena, Parkview baseball prepares for stellar season, The Pantera, Parkview H. S Katy Newcomer, Cross Country, The Central Post, Central HS</p>

29 – News photograph (26)	Isabel Atkinson Just what the doctor ordered Odyssey Clarke Central H.S	Aisha Sylvain, Ballard and cat photograph, The Ethereal, Eagle’s Landing Isabel Atkinson, Vinyasa at night, Odyssey Clarke Central H.S Jessica Hale, Telescope girl, The Greyhound Tracks, Pope H.S
30 – feature photograph (33)	Grace Brown Change you can believe in The Southerner Grady H.S	Emily Atkinson, Fall Fest promises fun for all, Nexus, Grady H.S Isabel Atkinson, Stepping for sport, Odyssey, Clarke Central H.S Chres Cruz, Eight Sugar Cubes to the Unicorn, Nexus, Grady H.S
31 – photo essay (33)	Lexi Deagan & Isabel Atkinson A day on, not a day off Odyssey Clarke Central H.S	Gus Rick, Kala Maoks, Keel Youngblood, Take two:Stadium faces redesign, Southerner, Grady H.S Judy Kem, All the way to the GA Dome, The Roar, Peachtree Ridge Caroline McKay, Elliott Erickson, Grace Brown, Katie Henshaw, Menh Lam, & Sarah Bufken, Election 2008, Southerner, Grady H.S
32 – Information graphic (21)	Alissa Katz I almost died when... Carpe Diem Decatur H.S	Allison Grimett, Cornucopia, of Candy, Lakeside Legend, Lakeside H.S Danielle Norris, Generation Rx, The Spectacular, Chattahoochee H.S.
33 – illustration (12)	Adriana Figueroa, Valentine’s Day Illustration, The Saga, First Pres Day School	Nicole Rager, President Obama, The Pantera, Parkview H.S Kelly Douglas, Poor Practice Facilities Limit Sports Growth, The Southerner, Grady H.S Eli Doolittle, Sickness Unto Love, The Speculator, Chattahoochee HS
34 – Photo illustration (10)	Ahna Kelley, Reputation, Impressions, Personalities, Expectations: How they affect success, Carpe Diem, Decatur H.S	Cardine Foster, Snapshots of The Modern Athens, Odyssey, Clarke Central H.S Cassie Evans Driving the lane with Aja Sorells, Odyssey, Clarke Central H.S
35 – double track/layout design (31)	Nexus Staff, Nexus Food Issue, Nexus, Grady H.S	Amanda wokin and Connie Roberts, The Oracle’s Guide to the 2008 election, The Oracle, North Springs H.S Johnny Padgett and Emily Kistner Highway Blues, The Verve, The King’s Academy Jennifer Chae, Election Day 11-4-2008, The Speculator, Chattahoochee H.S
36 – advertising design (25)	Michael Rosenberg, Spartan Classic Golf Tournament, The Oracle, North Springs H.S	Arielle Golan, McClure Studio, Odyssey, Clarke Central H.S Aisha Sylvain, Senior Ad, The Ethereal, Eagle’s Landing HS
37 – Yearbook Story (3)	Jamie Brittain, “Daring to Dribble! Boys basketball,” The Ethereal, Eagle’s Landing HS	
38 – special interest story (3)	Chandler Fisk, “Dancers become one with the sky,” Aplomado, Pebblebrook HS	
39 – spread design (3)	Rachel McCoy and James McJunkins, “Miss Falcon Pageant,” Aplomado, Pebblebrook HS	
40 – cover design	Marcus Lyons, “Cover Design,” Aplomado, Pebblebrook HS	
41 – theme development	Ethereal staff, “The words we live by,” The Ethereal, Eagle’s Landing HS	