Admin Notes
5.10.24

Dear families,

Our last round of state testing will happen next week for 8th graders only. We will administer the MEA science assessment starting Tuesday morning and finish up on Wednesday. Please make sure your 8th grader gets a good night's sleep and eats a healthy breakfast both of these days. Thank you for your help!

I'd like to make a special shout out to the PTO and Foundation 51 for showering our staff with love this week during Staff Appreciation Week. The Cheese the Day food truck was a huge hit, and the daily raffles and chalk messages in the sidewalks in front of the school were fun, too. Thank you for your generosity in recognizing the important work our staff do each day for our students. It is appreciated!

Please read on for important news from around the school. There is so much going on, and details are below.

Sincerely,
Mar-E Trebilcock

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National History Day News

Last month the following GMS 6-8 students wererecognized at National History Day in Maine:

- John Sprague and Fletcher Meyers came in 1st place in the state for their exhibit on UNOSOM II (pronounced YUN-E-SOM)
- Matthew Wilkerson came in 2nd place for his website on the Bretton Woods Conference
- David Gilbert came in 2nd place for his documentary on the Americans with Disabilities Act
- Van Eskandari came in 3rd place for his exhibit on the 1978 oil strike in Iran
- Calvin O'Connor came in 2nd place for his performance on Larry Dobby
- Gideon Beck, Phoebe Levin, Molly Carey-Knight, and Avanley O'Donnell came in 3rd for their performance on the effects of the Hays code on early Hollywood

Best Buddies News

Greely Middle School was the lead school fundraising team $6,165 to support Best Buddies mission and programs for inclusion!

Way to go Greely Best Buddies 4-8!



GMS Drama Production

The GMS Drama club is proud to present The Alibis.
When eccentric billionaire J. Leslie Arlington is murdered, a clueless detective finds the suspects are all reluctant to admit their alibis...because they were all committing other ridiculous crimes at the time. Please join us for the Greely Middle School Drama Club's production of The Alibis May 17, 18, and 19 at the Greely Center for the Arts. Admission is free but we ask that you reserve tickets ahead of time to ensure there is seating for all. Donations accepted at the door. Please come support the 41 students who have been working hard this year to make this a spectacular event!
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-alibis-tickets-894316553887 https://edl.io/n1923472

Jazz Night at GCA is May 14. Sixth grade jazz ensemble and the Seventh and Eighth grade jazz ensembles will perform as well as GHS Jazz ensembles.
Students are to arrive at 6:00 and the show starts at 6:30.

End-of-Year Band Information

IMPORTANT!

Marching Practice
There will be a marching practice for all band members in grades 6-8 on Wednesday, May 22 *immediately after school* (early-release Wednesday) until 3:00 p.m. This is *very important* because it will be our only opportunity to combine all three grades prior to the Memorial Day Parade.

Memorial Day Parade

The Memorial Day Parade is on Monday, May 27. Band students will meet at the GMS band room at 9:00 and should be prepared with:

- Instrument
- Music and lyre
- Jeans or khakis and band shirt (if it is very warm, shorts are acceptable; if chilly, it's fine to layer up *under* the band shirt)
- ***We usually like to have a handful of parents who walk alongside the band*** in case there is someone who doesn't feel well, drops a drumstick, etc. Please contact Mrs. Cummings or Mr. Thurston if you are willing to help out.

Note: make sure that everyone is well-fed and hydrated. We want everyone to feel well and happy! 😊

Shirts and Lyres

Band students will need to purchase a shirt (our "uniform") and a lyre (to hold the music). Mrs. Cummings will be available most mornings before school for students to drop in and pick these items up (price list is below). Checks should be made out to Greely Middle School. Please email Mrs. C or Mr. T if this creates a hardship for you.

Concert

The final band concert of the year will be on Tuesday, June 4 at 6:30 p.m. at the Greely Center for the Arts. Band students should report to the high school band room between 6:00-6:15. Attire for the concert is "dressed up," i.e. dress pants, shirt, tie, skirt, dress, etc.

Fun Town

Please put Saturday, June 8 on your calendar as we have a band and chorus trip to Fun Town planned! More details to follow soon.

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GMS Chorus News



Outing Club News



Special Olympics

Congrats to our special olympians who worked so hard at today's track and field event!












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