

GREENVILLE SCHOOLS

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K-4 February 2024 Newsletter



Dear GES Families,

The second semester is off to a great start and spring is just around the corner! We have a lot to look forward to and so many plans to make.

Family Bingo Nights & Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you, thank you, thank you to everyone who attended our family bingo nights and Scholastic book fair this week! We could not have done it without you! We hope you enjoyed your time with us. This is OUR school, and we want you to feel welcome here. We truly appreciate your support, and we thoroughly enjoyed seeing everyone last week. We hope to see you again next year!

School Day Begins at 9:00am

Please remember that the school day does not begin until 9:00am. Many students are being dropped at the front doors prior to 8:30am, and there is no one to supervise these students. **Please do not drop your students at the front doors prior to 8:35am.** This is for their safety. Thank you so much for your help with this!

Student Absences:

As you know, we take attendance very seriously at every grade level throughout the Greenville City Schools district. Missing even one day denies children of very important routines and instruction that are vital to academic achievement, especially in the area of reading, in the early grades. While we do not want children to come to school when they are sick, many absences occur outside of illness. All absences, including late arrivals and early pick-ups, are tracked in hours and minutes by our internal attendance system. As administrators, we are charged with following up when absence hours reach thresholds established by district policy. Once absences reach 35 hours, a letter is sent home informing parents that the first threshold has been met. These letters are sent again once the 65-hour threshold has been met. After 72 hours of unexcused absences, you will be asked to meet with your child's principal. The purpose of these meetings is to look closely at the pattern of attendance to investigate the causes of the absences and determine how it can be remedied by working together. It is only when our requests for meetings are not met or attendance does not improve that we refer to the juvenile court system. Please know that we will do everything on our end to help with these issues, but setting expectations for solid attendance and achievement starts at home. It is expected that students be at school every day possible. We appreciate your help with this very important matter.

Upcoming Events

February 6

PTA Meeting @ 6:00

February 8

100th Day of School

February 15

BOE Meeting @ 6:30
(Memorial Hall)

February 16

Valentine's Day
Classroom Parties

February 19

NO SCHOOL
President's Day

February 21

Spring Pictures



Calamity Days:

Each year, Ohio schools are afforded 5 calamity days for bad weather. “Delay days” are not included in this count. After our 5th calamity day, students will be expected to complete work on their iPads through either the Canvas Learning Management System (grades 3 & 4) or Seesaw (grades K-2). If you have any questions about how to maneuver these applications, please speak with your child or his/her teacher.

Winter MAP Results:

Students in grades K-4 finished the second round of MAP testing in January. If you did not receive an update on your child’s progress, please feel free to reach out to your child’s homeroom teacher. We will be doing our third and final round of testing in May.

Update on Spring Dances — Coming soon!

Our previous Mother/Son Dance will now be called the GES Young Men's Spring Dance and will take place on Friday, March 15, from 6:00 - 8:00pm. This dance will be organized and supervised by **We Are the Majority** (and administrators) and will take place in the GES Elementary Gym. Flyers for this event will be coming home soon. As in years past, this event will have a St. Patrick's day theme this year. The set-up is the same with the exception being that boys can bring one adult – however, it is not required to be a mother; it can be any significant adult in their lives. All boys must have an adult present to attend.

Our previous Father/Daughter Dance will now be called the GES Young Ladies' Spring Dance and will take place on Tuesday, April 30, from 6:00 - 8:00pm. This dance will be organized and supervised by the GES PTA (and administrators) and will take place at Romer's in Greenville. Flyers for this event will be put in mailboxes the first part of April. The decision to move this from February to April was done in an attempt to spread the events out over the entire semester rather than having them all happen in February and March. A weeknight was chosen due to cost and availability of the venue. The set-up is the same with the exception being that girls can bring one adult – however, it is not required to be a father; it can be any significant adult in their lives. All girls must have an adult present to attend.

THANK YOU for all you are doing to support your child and our school.

Go Wave!

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