

GMS Family Update – July 2022

Good Day GMS Families,

We hope that your summer has been relaxing and enjoyable. We are working diligently to prepare for the upcoming school year. We are working closely with the construction team ensuring everything is going as planned. We are also working hard to prepare for an amazing year of learning. Please take some time to read through the information below. We will be sending out another update as we get closer to the beginning of the year with more information. As always, please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Mr. Lawrence and Mrs. Powell

Staffing Updates



As we turn the page on the 21-22 school year and welcome in the 22-23 school year we want to wish the following staff members well and thank them for everything they have done for GMS, HASD, and for the larger community!

Mrs. Maureen Kolosso - After five years at GMS, Maureen will be heading over to Hortonville High School to join the Administrative Assistant Team and will be supporting Mr. Engelland. We wish her well on this new chapter!

Mrs. Shannon Suda will be heading to Hortonville High School to join the Business and Marketing Team where she will be teaching a variety of courses in that subject matter. She will still be assisting with the GMS coding club.

Mrs. Jackie Ulmen has taken advantage of a new opportunity in a neighboring school district. She has been an important part of the GMS family for many years and we wish her well in her new position.

Welcome New Staff to GMS



As we begin the 2022 school year, there are some new faces we would like to welcome to the GMS family. Please help us welcome:

Matthew Winkel - Mr. Winkel will be joining the music department as a choir teacher here at GMS this year.

Tyler Norton - Mr. Norton is already a member of the Phy Ed team at GES, he will be joining the GMS Phy Ed/health team in the mornings.

Amanda Granato - Mrs. Granato is already a member of the GMS team, she previously was our Help Period and Lunch/Recess Supervisor. She will be joining the GMS Administrative Assistant team.

Lena Cook - Mrs. Cook is will be joining the Digital Literacy team working with students in grades 5 through 8.

Nicole Lunde - Ms. Lunde is already a member of the district Special Education Team, she will be joining us from Hortonville Elementary in supporting students here at GMS.

Please help us in welcoming these great individuals to our GMS team. We are excited to have all of them as part of the GMS family!

Fall Open House



August 30th will be our Open house. We welcome you from 3:45-5:45pm as we are excited to share our new building additions and renovations with you.

School Supply Lists



School supply lists are available on the GMS [website](#).

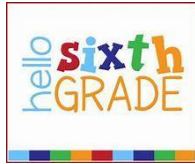
8th Grade WEB Leader Training Days



Attention all 2022 8th Grade WEB leaders:

This is just a reminder that you will be having your WEB leader training days on August 15th and 16th from 8:00 - 12:00pm. Web Leaders, watch for Remind updates from Mrs. DeKoch for the location of this training. We are excited to begin working with you and look forward to the amazing leaders that you will be!

6th Grade Orientation



We will be kicking off the 2022-2023 school year with a 6th grade Orientation Day on Tuesday, August 23rd from 8:00-12:00. This will be held in the Greenville Middle School gymnasium and will be led by our 8th grade WEB Leaders. The transition from 5th to 6th grade is big and our 8th graders want to make sure 6th graders feel welcome, comfortable, and confident starting their school year. Please have your child dropped off by 8:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided. There is no need to pre-register. Thank you for your support.

5th Grade Transition Event



In order to help prepare our incoming 5th graders, we will host a 5th Grade Transition Event on August 23rd from 3:00-4:30pm at GMS. There is no need to pre-register. If your child is unable to make it, we assure you our incredible 5th grade team will help support them in their first days. Our open house night is also another chance to get comfortable with the building.

First Day of School - Start/End Time



We are excited to welcome back our GMS students to school on Thursday, September 1st. Just a reminder that the school day starts at 7:40am. This means that students need to be in class and ready to learn by 7:40am. If you are dropping off your child at school, the doors will be open at 7:25am. Students will need to remain in the cafeteria until they are released to their grade level at 7:30am. If your child is planning to get breakfast, please have them here by 7:25am so they have plenty of time to get their breakfast and be on time for class. Bus students will have time to get breakfast when the bus gets here. Drop-off students will all enter the building through the main entrance, door 1. Bus students will be entering the building through our new entrance in the back of the building. Open gym does not start until September 19th. More information will come regarding that. Students are all released at 2:50pm. We look forward to seeing you all on September 1st for our annual red carpet welcome!

Registration and Demographic Update



Starting August 8th, the Online Student Demographic Update will be available in [Skyward Family Access](#). You will need to have your username and password. You will only be able to access this area in Family Access using your account information, not your child's account information. If you do not know your account information, click the 'Forgot your Login/Password?' link on the [Skyward Family Access](#) webpage. (Only the primary family can complete all information and forms. The secondary family can only update their information.)

When you are logged in, please make sure you click "Fee Management" and pay school fees at this time. When you click "Fee Management" you will be redirected to the eFunds website to make payments. If you have specific questions, please contact your school office.

If you have not used Skyward Family Access before, here is how you access the site:

1. Go to the HASD Website, www.hasd.org.
2. Click the Skyward Family Access link on the HASD homepage.
3. Enter the user name and password. After you are successfully logged in, you may change your user login information.
4. Click the 'Online Demographic Update 2022-23' button and click your child's name to start the process.

For more information on updating student demographics or online registration, please visit https://www.hasd.org/district/online_registration.

All forms and demographic updates need to be completed by August 26th.

Thank you for your assistance. Should you have any questions, please contact studentregistration@hasd.org.

Student Schedules



Student schedules will be released via Skyward on August 22nd. If you have made a teacher request based on academic or social emotional need we have worked to accommodate as best as we can. We work to balance classrooms based on a variety of needs and criteria and make every effort to honor requests, but they are not guaranteed. All GMS staff members are highly trained and will work to support your student in their success. We have confidence that schedules reflect the needs of all students based on the student body as a whole. We appreciate your understanding and our process in creating schedules.

Drop Off/Pick Up Safety & Efficiency Expectations



We look forward to a smooth and efficient process in the new pick-up and drop off lane but we need your help to keep it safe. We ask that all parents share this information with anyone who may be dropping off or picking your student up. If everyone follows the expectations and signage, we can execute the process quickly and safely. Please take time to review the drop off expectations.

If you have elementary children and middle school children and want to have them exit at one location, please drop off at GES and have your GMS student walk over using the sidewalk. It is much safer for our GMS students to walk the distance rather than our GES friends. Please do not drop off elementary school students in the GMS drop off lane.

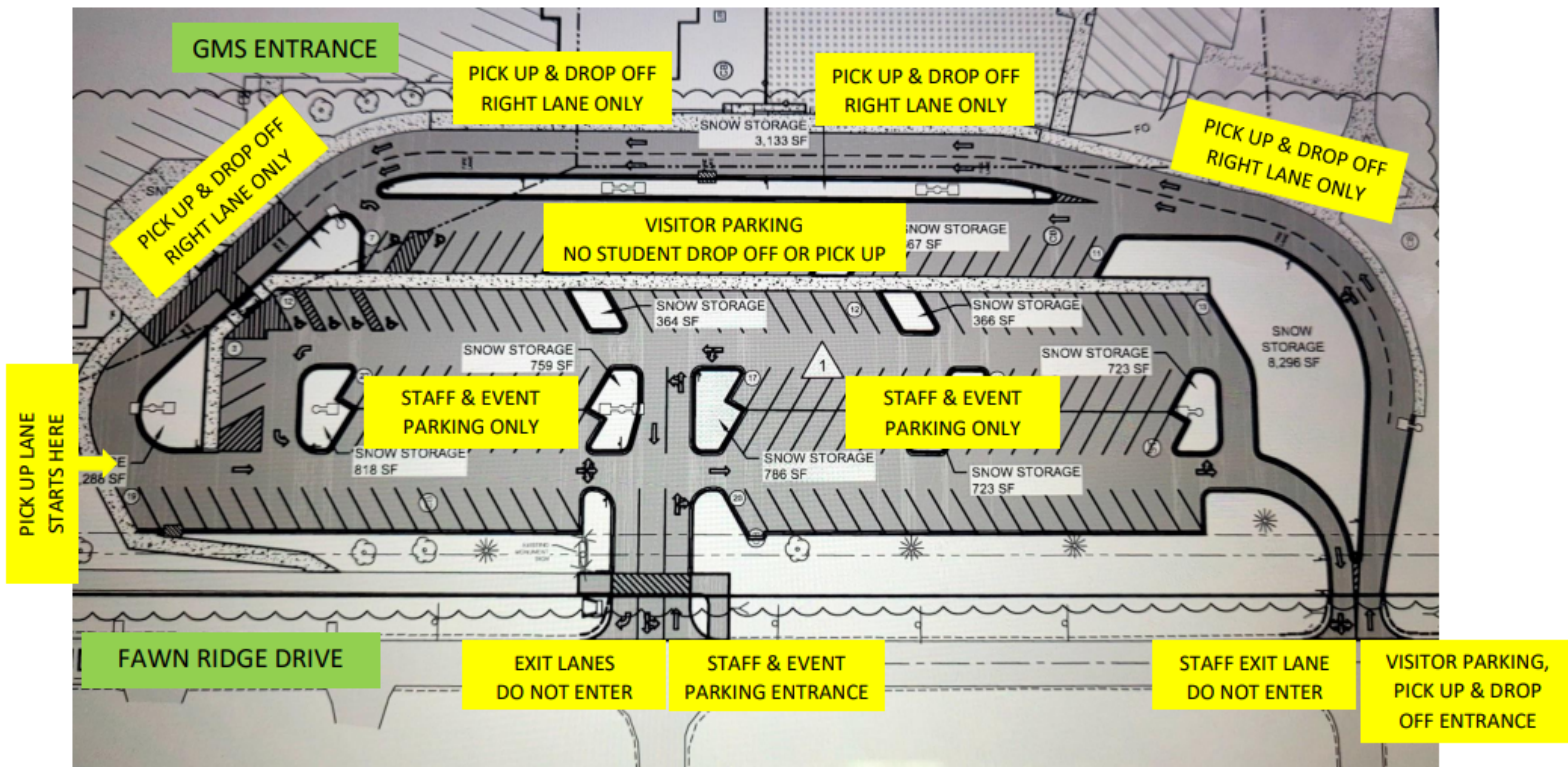
When you are in the GMS drop off lane, pull as far ahead past the GMS Door 1 Main Entrance as you can prior to dropping off your middle school student. When your vehicle makes its first stop, and you have sidewalk to your right, your student should exit the vehicle. You may then pull into the left lane to exit. When you make multiple stops in the lane, this greatly holds up traffic. Your student should exit once your vehicle is stopped in the lane. They will need to walk from that point to the entrance.

Do not use the left lane to cut ahead of others and cut people off in the right lane (the drop off lane). The left lane is for exiting only after you have dropped off your student. Students should only enter and exit the vehicle on the passenger side. They should not walk through the drop off lane or parking lot at any time. Do not park in the staff for student drop off or pick up. It is unsafe to walk through the moving drop off lane. The parking lot is for staff use only during the school day. If you need to enter the building during this time, please use visitor parking. You will access visitor parking through the drop off lane. Follow the

signage to visitor parking. Visitor and staff parking are not to be used for drop off and pick up.

We are excited about the additional parking that will be available in the staff lot which will be used for athletics, events, open house, and parent teacher conferences. During the school day, please use visitor parking as needed. During drop off and pick up you should be using the designated lane for that purpose. Please help us to ensure that your student is not walking through the parking lot during drop off or pick up as it is unsafe.

Map of new parking lot and drop off/pick up locations



Construction Updates and Reminders



Construction is continuing and is on schedule. If you have not driven around the building recently, it certainly has changed. We are excited about the new space for our students and staff. HASD team members worked very hard the first week of summer to clear spaces for construction and GES has been very accommodating in welcoming GMS staff working in their building. We appreciate everyone's flexibility as we work through this process. There are a few areas that will not be done until late fall (for example, the new band rooms and second gym), those areas were planned for late fall completion and are also progressing on time. We look forward to Open House when we can share this amazing space with you.

Construction Safety Reminder



Please remind your children that they should not enter the GMS Campus Construction Zone at any time. We have had several notices from our contractors that people have gone beyond fencing and barricaded areas. Youth sports teams that are using our fields/grass area for practice must stay far back from this area at all times. Parents and coaches, please help us ensure this is off limits.

Fall Sports Reminder



If your child is planning on participating in a fall sport please be sure to have the sports physical completed and paperwork to our school office prior to the start date. For more information on the required paperwork, please use this [link](#).

Enjoy the rest of your summer!



As always, please call the school office with any questions you may have. This is the best way to get accurate and timely information.