# Greenville Middle School Family Newsletter September 2022

### Greetings,

We are off to a great start! Thank you for being flexible with us this summer. We had an incredible turn out at Open House, thank you for joining us. We are excited about the year ahead. As questions come up, please call our school office and they can assist. This is the best way to get accurate and timely information. You can also reach out to us via email and we will get back to you as soon as we are able. If it is timely, we encourage you to call. If we can be of assistance to you or your student, please reach out. We always remind students and parents, if we don't know, we can't help. We are excited to partner with you this year.

Mr. Lawrence and Mrs. Powell

## Spirit Week Ahead!

We invite all students and staff to join in the homecoming week fun (Sept. 26-30th)





### Welcome Back from the School District Nurses and School Social Workers!

### School Nurses-

Aaron Rohde - Hortonville High & 4K Offsites Andrea Archambo - Greenville Elementary, Greenville Middle, & North Greenville Elementary Jennifer Inhoff - Hortonville Elementary & Hortonville Middle

#### School Social Workers -

Melanie Van Asten - Greenville Elementary & Greenville Middle Heather Ryan - Hortonville Elementary & Hortonville Middle Jen Kennedy - North Greenville Elementary & Hortonville High

### Important information-

- If not feeling well, stay home for 24 hours fever free without medication and/or 48 hours after vomit or diarrhea.
- If you have tested positive for COVID, please follow the general illness policy for the 22-23 school year which is posted on the main district website page.
- Masking is optional for staff/students.
- Call school attendance line with specific reasons (ie, Respiratory, GI/Stomach, other) for absences by 8am.
- A district attendance letter may be sent home after 5 and 10 missed days.
- Students will be marked tardy if they arrive after first bell (Elementary & Middle Schools-7:40am, High School- 8:30am.
- We understand when students are sick they shouldn't be at school, however, scheduling appointments and vacations on non-school time is important.
- Please share any doctor excuses with your school office.
- Please see the following dates for no school days in the 2022-23 school year to plan appointments and vacations (pre-arranged absences form): January 20th
  - September 5<sup>th</sup>
  - October 14<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>
  - November 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>
  - December 26<sup>th</sup> 30<sup>th</sup>
- February 17th April 3rd – 7th

- May 29th

This team is here to support families and students with the changes in the illness protocols for the upcoming school year, and to assist with any other needs that may come up throughout the year. Attending school regularly has been shown to keep students on track for graduation, to keep them engaged in the school community, and to build positive habits going forward. Please feel free to contact your school for any questions or needs.

WELCOMF.

Back to School



## Polar Parents



"Polar Parents" is a great way to get involved here at school. We will share volunteer opportunities with you in the coming weeks and throughout the school year. We hope you consider assisting us throughout the year. If you think at any point this year you may want to volunteer at school or chaperone, please take time to complete the <u>background check form</u>. This can take several weeks to process so we encourage you to be proactive in completing it. This must be completed and processed prior to your participation.

## **Budget Update from Mr. Timm**



Please take time to listen to this helpful information regarding <u>school budgets</u> and funding. It provides clarity on some frequently asked questions.

## Drop Off/Pick Up



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.

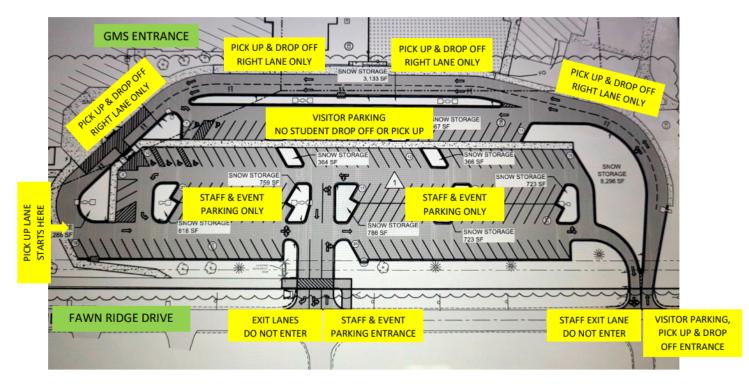
If you have elementary children and middle school children and want to have them exit at one location, please drop off at GES and have your GMS student walk over using the sidewalk. It is much safer for our GMS students to walk the distance rather than our GES friends. <u>Please do not drop off elementary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

When you are in the GMS drop off lane, <u>pull as far ahead past the GMS Door 1</u> <u>Main Entrance as you can prior to dropping off your middle school student.</u> When <u>your vehicle makes its first stop and you have sidewalk to your right, your student</u> <u>should exit the vehicle</u>. 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). <u>The left lane is for exiting only after you have dropped off</u> <u>your student.</u> Students should only enter and exit the vehicle on the passenger side. <u>They should not walk through the drop off lane to visitor parking or the staff</u> <u>lot at any time.</u> 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. <u>Visitor and staff parking are not to be</u> 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.



Please keep in mind, students should be seated and ready to learn by 7:40am. Please plan accordingly if you are dropping off so that they have adequate time.

## **Middle School Student Supervision - High School Events**



We welcome and encourage you and your students to attend district events. Please keep the following expectations in mind:

- Elementary/Middle School students should be seated at athletic events with the adult(s) supervising them. HHS does not provide supervision for GMS students.
- Elementary/Middle students should not be socializing under the bleachers, in common areas, or along the fence during the game. They should be seated in the bleachers while attending.

Thank you for ensuring your student is supervised and following expectations while in attendance. We appreciate your help with this.

## **Substitute and Support Staff Positions**



HASD is always looking to add to our substitute teacher/support staff pool. If you are interested in learning more about this please contact our Human Resource Department.

HASD Employment Opportunities

## **Sports Physicals - Winter Sports**



Please note, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders that will be starting upcoming school affiliated co-curricular sports. Please check to make sure your physicals are up to date prior to the start of the season. If you are unsure you can call the school office and they can check for you or reach out to your healthcare provider. Students must have a sports physical every other year. Basketball will start in mid-october so please plan accordingly. If you have additional questions about co-curriculars feel free to reach out to the GMS Co-Curriulcar Coordinator, Mr. Linz. He can be reached at: TimothyLinz@hasd.org

## **Important Dates to Remember:**

2022/2023 District Calendar

September 28th: Early Release, 11:45am Dismissal October 12th: Parent Teacher Conferences, 3:30pm - 6:30pm October 13th: Parent Teacher Conferences, 3:30pm - 6:30pm October 14th: No School for Students October 14th: Parent Teacher Conferences 8:00am-11:30am October 27th: No School for Students, Staff Workday October 28th: No School for Students or Staff