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GHS Monthly Information and Upcoming Events March 2019

Hello Gardner Community! Here are some of the happenings that occurred during the month of February at GHS:

- Congratulations to our Students of the Month: Grade 8 - Isaac Swan; Grade 9 - Chialyna Vue; Grade 10 - Treshaun Jarrett; Grade 11 - Tommy Piermarini; and Grade 12 - Justin Nguyen. These students were recognized for being good GHS citizens and representing our Core Values (Community, Appreciation, Responsibility, and Excellence)
- The GHS winter sports season has come to an end. Thank you to all our athletic teams for representing our school and community with their hard work, commitment and good sportsmanship. Congratulations to our Cheerleaders for winning leagues; our Indoor Track members who moved on past the regular season; and our Boys Basketball Team for making it to districts. Hard to believe the spring season is starting in a couple of weeks.
- Congratulations to Sean Whittle for being named the new head coach for GHS Football. We are all looking forward to his leadership on and off the field with our football student-athletes.
- Our senior class held its Little Oscars Ceremony in February, which is always a fun time for the students to recognize their fellow students in some “interesting” categories. It’s always a great time.
- The All City Choral Concert was held at the high school with the chorus programs from Elm Street School, the Middle School and the High School all performing. It was a wonderful evening and showcased our strong, and growing, districtwide choral program. Thank you to Joanne Landry and the other chorus teachers for organizing this event.
- Administration served hot cocoa to our Good Citizen Card recipients one morning to show our appreciation for their hard work and commitment to being great GHS citizens. It was a small gesture, but the students were truly appreciative.
- Ms. Bourque-Silva’s English classes held a Gatsby Gala one day in her classroom showing off all their hard work doing research, writing poems, creating music, etc. The kids dressed up and celebrated and a good time was had by all.
- Our SWAT Team (Student Wellness Advisory Team) held yoga demonstrations during lunch and had over 125 students participate. Great job by our SWAT members led by our school psychologist, Tessa Lashley.
- Thank you to the Rotary Club of Gardner for their \$1000.00 donation to GHS to support our work with Growing Places. The money was used to purchase a hydroponic growing system as we build our botany and gardening programs. Thank you to GHS teacher, Steve Tata, and assistant principal, Sherry Gelinias, for spearheading this great cause.

- Progress with our Dual Enrollment Program in conjunction with MWCC is moving along. Students are preparing to choose their classes for next year and we will be finalizing the class offerings and rosters soon. This is a very exciting opportunity for our students.

Upcoming events for March:

- The spring athletic season will be starting in a couple of weeks. Registration for spring athletics is underway and can be done online. Please refer to the Gardner Public Schools website under Gardner High School to register and you may also [click here](#) to get all spring athletic schedules, which will be posted soon. (Students interested in tennis should see Ms. Mabardy in room 323.)
- NAEP Testing (National Assessment of Educational Progress) will be held on March 11th for a random selection of our 8th grade students. This testing compares our students' progress with other 8th graders across the country.
- ELA and math MCAS retests will be held the first week in March, and the ELA MCAS will be held for all 10th grade students on March 26th and 27th.
- An information meeting for parents on the new Dual Enrollment Program will be held on Wednesday, March 6th at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library. This is a great way for parents to get information on college offerings their children can access, free of charge, during the 2019-2020 school year.
- On March 7th the freshmen class will have a fundraiser at Wendys all day from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Flyers are being distributed and if presented when you place an order that day, 30% of all proceeds will go the class.
- Another fundraiser being sponsored by the freshmen class is a Dodgeball Tournament on March 14th. The cost is \$20 for a team of 5. A minimum of 12 teams in needed to run the tournament. Please see Mrs. Kemp or Mrs. Miller if you would like to enter a team.
- The Girls Basketball Team will be holding a fundraiser at the Ale House on March 12th starting at 5:00 p.m. Present a flyer and proceeds from your order will go to the team.
- The class of 2020 will be holding a fundraiser selling braided bread and cookies from March 8th to March 22nd. The orders will be in before April vacation and will be great for Easter. See Ms. Flaherty or a class officer for more information.
- The Guidance Department will be holding an 8th Grade Parent Information Night on March 26th at 6:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. This is a great opportunity for parents to get information as their children make the important transition into high school.
- The Guidance Department will also be holding a Junior Parent Information Night on March 27th at 6:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Parents of juniors will receive important information on what to know about the college application process and what students should expect their senior year. This event will be preceded by an AP information session that same night starting at 5:30 p.m, where information on all our AP offerings will be presented by the AP teachers.
- The Spring Musical will be held in the GHS Auditorium on March 21st, 22nd and 23rd. Come out to enjoy the presentation and support our students.



Students of the Month: Isaach Swan; Treshaun Jarrett; Chialyna Vue; Tommy Piermarini & Justin Nguyen. (With their proud principal!) Nice job.

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Thank you.

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