GHS Announcements

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

MISC

The Grinnell Band Boosters will be offering the Grinnell Band shirts again this year. This is a great way to show your band pride and support for the band program. These make great gifts for the upcoming holiday season! Orders will be online again this year and will be open to order through Tuesday, Nov. 20th. This will allow the Band Boosters to place the order and receive the order in early December. Here is the link to place your order: [https://grinnellband2018.itemorder.com/sale](https://grinnellband2018.itemorder.com/sale" \t "_blank)

Mrs. Kolpin needs your help! The GMS and GHS makerspaces will be sponsoring a tree at the Drake Library Festival of Trees in December. That means we need students to stop by the makerspace to make ornaments to decorate the tree. Example ideas are provided in the makerspace, or you can make your own design. They do not have to be book themed, but there are recycled books to use if you wish. If you want to get your ornament back after the holidays, just let the library staff know. Please turn in all ornaments to library staff before December 5th. Thank you!

We know dogs are our best animal friends, but have you ever thought about what that might mean? Fossils show we’ve shared our work and homes with dogs for tens of thousands of years. Now there’s growing evidence that we influenced dogs’ evolution—and they, in turn, changed ours. Even more than our closest relatives, the apes, dogs are the species with whom we communicate best. Combining history, paleontology, biology, and cutting-edge medical science, Kay Frydenborg paints a picture of how two different species became deeply entwined—and how we coevolved into the species we are today. Check out this book of the week, A Dog in the Cave by Kay Frydenborg today!

Students need to take any locker decorations they want to keep off on Friday afternoon, as the custodians will clean them off and dispose of anything left on them.

Parents of 9th grade students:  Iowa law requires proof of a dental screening on all 9th grade students.  I-Smile will be at GHS TODAY to provide a dental screening for any 9th grade student who does not have one on file.  If you do not want your 9th grade student to be seen by I-Smile for a dental screening, you will need to provide a signed opt-out form to the school (see attachment), or you may also email the school nurse with an opt-out request.  If you opt-out of the screening, you must provide a Certificate of Dental Screening or a Certificate of Dental Screening exemption which are available on the G-N website under Schools-High School, GHS Announcements. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Weber in the GHS Nurse Office at 236-2726 or [kim.weber@grinnell-k12.org](mailto:kim.weber@grinnell-k12.org).

Hey friends and families- did you know that by placing an order through Schwans.com, a portion of the sales will come back in support of the 2019 We Care After Prom! Shop from over 300 high-quality, family-pleasing foods that are flash-frozen and delivered to your door. Please consider ordering and use the link below, specific to We Care, and help us raise funds for the 2019 after prom event. [https://www.schwans-cares.com/f/117650](https://www.schwans-cares.com/f/117650" \t "_blank)

Family members... here is an opportunity to contribute to the After Prom party.  We hope that you consideration a donation to help the kids enjoy a fun filled evening. See previously attached letter.

ATHLETICS

The volleyball banquet is Sunday the18th at 6:00pm in the high school cafeteria.

The swimming banquet will be Monday the 19th at 6:30pm at St John's Lutheran Church.

COUNSELING OFFICE

Sophomores! Are you interested in taking the Pre-ACT? If so we have moved this test to December 8th 8:30 am to 12:30 pm so students do not miss out on class time. It is a great opportunity to practice for the real ACT and other placement exams for college prep. The test is free. If you are interested, please sign up in the counseling office.

There have been a few new scholarships added to the website! Check them out [here](http://www.grinnell-k12.org/vnews/display.v/SEC/Grinnell-Newburg%20High%20School%7CCounseling%20Office%3E%3EScholarships" \t "_blank)! Also, watch your email for an email from Mrs. Plagge with scholarship announcements every Monday!

-Recently announced scholarships-

NHS Scholarship Program

Wells Fargo Scholarship Program

James Cox Student Philosophy Program

CLUBS/ACTIVITIES

The Outdoor Adventure Program is sponsoring two activities over the next few weeks.  On Sunday, December 2, the OAP is taking a trip to Iowa State University to climb at their rock wall.  There you will receive direct instruction on climbing techniques, top rope and boulder and also take a tour of their outdoor recreation facilities and what they have to offer.  There is no cost but it is limited to 18 participants.  Sign up with Mrs. Scheck in room 60 to pick up required waiver.

On December 8-9, the OAP will be hosting their 5th annual winter survival campout.  The campout will begin at 8:00 am Saturday and end at 10:00 am Sunday.  During this outing, you will take classes on fire building, shelter building, emergency situations, cooking, navigation as well as participating in the "Outdoor Challenge".  For more information or to sign up, visit Mrs. Scheck at room 60.  There is no cost and unlimited participants.