

## Grinnell Middle School Announcements Friday, April 13, 2018 - Day 2

Please remember to check the district's [Virtual Backpack](#) for activities and events that are available to students.

Here is the link to our [Connected PTO](#) group to keep up on their current events which support our students.

**8th Grade Parents** - - - today your child received a permission slip that needs to be signed in order for them to attend the Paul Phillips 8th grade Campout on May 16-18. The Campout is an important part of the Physical Education curriculum. Your child will receive a grade for Campout and if they can not attend they will be expected to be at school those three days and will have assignments they need to complete in order to receive credit. More information to come at a later date. Please have the permission slip signed and completed by Friday April 20th. Permission slips need to be turned into Mrs. Jorgensen or Mr. Shipley. Donations are much needed and greatly appreciated.

Mileage Club is taking place every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday for 5th and 6th grade during Tiger Time until May 18th.

Congratulations to our boys tracksters last night. It was a beautiful night for racing and our boys put in a GREAT meet. Both 7th and 8th grade teams placed in the top 4 and the 8th grade team placed 2nd overall!

Most importantly, we had over 45 personal records broken. Some standout moments from the ol' black oval:

- 7th grader Oliver Loudon, with a throw of 70' 8" finished with a new PR and 3rd place finish in the discus.
- 8th grade Alex Smith, with a throw of 92' 7", finished 2nd with a PR in the discus.
- Isaiah Seck finished 3rd overall in the high jump with a personal record jump of 4' 8"
- The 7th grade 4x800 team of Alex Crites, Will Burkhead, Rauri Brownell, and Jaren Jordan finished in 3rd place with a much improved time of 11:27.35
- The 8th grade 4x800 team of Gavin Gilman, Tanner Eckerman, Alex Smith, and Brian Nusbaum finished 3rd with a season high time of 10:30.19
- The 7th grade shuttle hurdle team of Gene Blalock, Jacob Fogle, Sam Ulrickson and Alex Crites Placed 2nd overall
- The 8th grade shuttle hurdle team of Gabe Gilman, Will Doty, Jacob Gosselink, and Blake Wilson place 2nd overall
- 8th grader Josh Osborne won the 400 meter dash with a time of 58.89 and placed 2nd in the 200 with a time of 26.03
- Due to a computer glitch, 8th grader Alex Smith's 3rd place finish in the 200 meter did not register, but he ran a very fast 200m
- Blaine Kriegel won the 7th grade 200 meter run with a PR of 28.29
- Rauri Brownell DESTROYED his personal record by 40 seconds in the 1600m run to finish 5th with a time 6:06.28
- Brian Nusbaum DECIMATED his personal record by 31 seconds in the 1600m run to finish 8th overall in a very fast field.
- Both 4x400 teams placed 2nd in the meet....7th graders Blain Kriegel, John Townshend, and Jaren Jordan, and Isaiah Seck ran a new season high 4:27.01...8th graders Rhett Nagel, Gavin Cooper, Alex Smith and Josh Osborne finished with a season high time of 4:20.56

Overall, our tiger tracksters tore up the track, taking turns turning left, jumping high, running strong, throwing far and overall being awesome. Great Job Gentleman!

### GMS Clubs:

Art Club will meet Friday after school.

**Drama Club will meet not meet today after school, we just received notice that they will be having GMS Play Practice.**

### 5th Grade Parents:

Wax Museum: If you haven't heard, we're opening a wax museum as our biography culminating event. Our 5th grade students will "become" their subject and will be prepared to share about themselves. We're asking that students have their costumes and any props at school by Monday, April 16th. The museum will be open on Wednesday, April 18th, during your child's reading class. We hope you'll be able to come, but if you can't, your child will be posting a video recording of their message on Kidblog. (More information to come about that.)

If your child has reading....1st block - we'll be performing from 8:50 - 9:20  
2nd block - we'll be performing from 10:30 - 11:00  
3rd block - we'll be performing from 2:30 - 3:00

### April Calendar Events:

Friday, April 13 - 7th grade field trip to the Des Moines Temple for Performing Arts  
Thursday, April 19 - Take a Child to Work Day (afternoon) with our GMRC Partners in Education  
Friday, April 20 - #wearegrinnell Community Day  
Saturday, April 21 - Connected Tiger Trot, 5K Run/Walk & Kiddie Dash  
Tuesday, April 24 - Connected PTO Restaurant Night at Michaels from 5-8 pm

### Reminder to 6th grade Parents

Iowa law requires all students who are entering 7th grade to receive a Meningococcal and TDAP vaccine prior to the first day of school. If you have any questions please feel free to contact our school nurse Lisa Leris @ 236-2751.