GHS Announcements

Monday, September 9, 2019

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Introducing - Iowa Seal of Biliteracy at GHS! The Seal of Biliteracy is a state-sponsored recognition given at high school graduation to students that are able to demonstrate literacy in English and another language during their high school career. In order to qualify for the Seal, students must demonstrate literacy to a certain level in English (typically using results from annual state testing or on AP English exams) and another language (using results from any number of officially recognized exams and/or processes).  Students in GHS Spanish classes will have a brief presentation in class about the Spanish language plan, however students who are able to demonstrate literacy in ***any*** language in addition to English can pursue the seal! Contact Mr. Backlin before December 1st to declare your interest in testing to attempt to earn the Seal.   The Spanish examinations will be given March/April of 2020.  Further information will be forthcoming throughout the year!

SHE Counts will be putting on the third of four in our series titled “Power Up: Financial Fitness for Women” on Friday, September 27th from 12 - 1 pm in the Community Room at Drake Library.  RSVP soon as spaces will fill quickly at this free event with lunch and childcare provided! Sign up in the counseling office. See attached poster for more info.

Attention Juniors and Seniors:  Applications for this year's induction into National Honor Society are now being accepted.  Please visit the website linked below for more information about the process.  Applications will be accepted through Friday, September 20th at 9:00 AM.  Please address all questions to Mr. Backlin (Room 62). [https://grinnellnhs.weebly.com/](https://grinnellnhs.weebly.com/" \t "_blank)

Love working with kids? Looking for an after school job? Join the AmeriCorps team as an After School Enrichment Aide!  5 AmeriCorps positions are available.   Questions?? Please contact Liz Hansen at [hansenel@grinnell.edu](mailto:hansenel@grinnell.edu" \t "_blank). You must be 17 prior to the start date of October 7, 2019, to apply.  The application deadline is TODAY.

ATHLETICS

Here is the link to the dig pink t-shirt order forms: <https://ghsdigpink.itemorder.com> Orders are due by Sunday September 15th, 2019 (11:59pm CDT). Come support Tiger Volleyball for Dig Pink on September 24th!

JV Football @ North Polk 6:00PM- Bus leaves @ 3:45PM.

The 9/10 Football team defeated North Polk Friday, 48-6. Richard Toe scored 3 touchdowns, Rhett Nagel and Blaine Kriegel each scored two touchdowns.  Mads Knudsen kicked 6 extra points.

COUNSELING OFFICE

**ALL STUDENTS -**You should have received an email from Remind communicating that you have been invited to a group and how to download the Remind app. If you have received it, please accept the invitation and download the app to your phone. The counseling office will be sending out notifications for tests, college admissions reps, military reps, special visits days, and many other opportunities that you can take advantage of. With Remind, we can send these notifications specifically to your phone through the app, that way you can be sure you are not missing out! If you have any questions, please talk to your counselor. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP ON THIS!

PSAT: The PSAT test will be given at GHS on Wed., Oct. 16th. The scores of JUNIORS are used when selecting students who will compete in the National Merit Scholarship Program.  Sophomores who test in October will not be eligible for the National Merit Scholarship Program, but taking the test (as a practice) may improve your chances of qualifying as a junior. The PSAT is not a required test and is not necessarily appropriate for all students. Students who are in the 95th percentile and above on Iowa Assessments should strongly consider taking the PSAT.

Juniors & Sophomores who wish to test should sign up in the Counseling Office by the end of the day Sept. 13th. The fee for the test is $17 (Checks payable to GHS) and should be turned into the main office. You will not be guaranteed a test if you sign up after Sept. 13th.

9th graders who wish to take the PSAT will be given the PSAT 10 in the spring (and will sign up later).

CLUBS/ACTIVITIES