

[Gorzycki News] GMS PTA Newsletter - Week of 1.12.2020



GORZYCKI MIDDLE SCHOOL

Upcoming at GMS

[Click here to see complete GMS website calendar for more events and details!](#)

MONDAY, JANUARY 13

Phoenix House SEL Presentation
GMS ELA Teacher Classrooms

PALS - 8th Field Trip
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM Austin ISD Performing Arts Center

Ms. Cruz Basketball Field Trip
9:15 AM - 11:15 AM Austin Sports Center

Theatre Officers Meeting
3:40 PM - 5:00 PM GMS Rm 327

CAC
3:50 PM - 4:50 PM GMS Library

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

Keyboarding Proficiency Test (part 1 typing test)

Chaperone Meeting (Houston Field Trip- Team 6-3)
5:30 PM - 6:30 PM GMS Rm 612

Band Booster Meeting
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM GMS Band Hall

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

Keyboarding Proficiency Test (part 1 typing test)

Theatre Field Trip to Vertical Team Musical
5:15 PM - 7:00 PM Bowie High School

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

Keyboarding Proficiency Test (part 1 typing test)

7B Boys Basketball - Murchison vs. GMS
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM @Murchison Middle School

8B Boys Basketball - Murchison vs. GMS
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM @Gorzycki Middle School

7A Boys Basketball - Murchison vs. GMS
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM @Murchison Middle School

8A Boys Basketball - Murchison vs. GMS
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM @Gorzycki Middle School

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17

All City Band Clinic & Concert
Austin ISD Performing Arts Center

Keyboarding Proficiency Test (part 1 typing test)

APE Bowling Field Trip
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM @Westgate Lanes

Winter Dance (this dance will take the place of the
Valentine's dance)
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM GMS Commons & Cafeteria

SATURDAY, JANUARY 18

All City Band Clinic & Concert
Austin ISD Performing Arts Center

MONDAY, JANUARY 20

Martin Luther King Day. NO SCHOOL

Ms. Cruz Basketball Field Trip
9:15 AM - 11:15 AM @Austin Sport Center

TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

Keyboarding Proficiency Test (part 2 Word, Powerpoint, internet)

PTA Executive Board Meeting
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM GMS Library

Quick Links

[School Site](#)
[GMS PTA Site](#)
[Parent Connection](#)
[Principal's Blog](#)
[Healthy Hints](#)

Announcements

JOINING THE GMS PTA HELP US REACH OUR MEMBERSHIP GOAL AND QUALIFY FOR AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Please help us achieve our membership goal of 640 members by the end of the month. Meeting our goal will help GMS qualify for special awards and scholarships from Texas PTA.

When you join the GMS PTA you become part of the largest child-advocacy organization in the nation. The Texas PTA and National PTA support our local PTA with resources and information on how to keep our children safe, trouble free and involved in school. We know that children learn more and have better lives when everyone in the school community works together. By becoming a member of the Gorzycki PTA, you can become an important part of helping to ensure that these plans become a reality. Members of the Gorzycki PTA receive newsletters, access to websites, discounts at local businesses, and legislative news.

To renew your annual membership, or join the Gorzycki Tiger PTA for the first time, please visit <https://www.tigerpta.org/join-pta-1>

If you have any questions, email membership@tigerpta.org

PRINCIPAL'S COFFEE UPDATE

- School is closed on MLK day (January 20), Valentine's Day (February 14), and February 17.
- Choice sheets are going to be distributed the 1st week of February. Choice sheet night is February 4th. Choice sheets are due on February 7th.
- 5th graders visit to GMS on January 31st.
- 8th graders visit to Bowie HS on January 31st.

PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR ENGINES

Austin drivers are being asked to do one specific thing that will reduce air pollution and help keep kids healthy. The Austin Independent School District (AISD) and the CLEAN AIR Force of Central Texas (CAF) want drivers to stop idling during drop-off and pick-up at area schools. Drivers can create unhealthy levels of air pollution while they sit and wait. **If you plan to sit and wait for more than 10**

seconds in a school zone, please turn off your engines. Thank you.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS

The Souper Bowl of Caring takes place during the month leading up to the Super Bowl. It was created to raise money and food for the needy around the local area. With the government shut down your donations are even more important this year. The Excel class that donates the most cans to the food drive will receive a popcorn party during their Excel! Most Requested Items are Peanut butter, canned chicken breast or tuna, canned low sodium vegetables, canned fruit in its own juice (no sugar added), dry pinto beans, brown rice, non-fat dry milk powder, and 100% whole grain cereal. **Since GMS was selected to be a Kickoff site, our goal is 2000 pounds of food by January 10th! The drive will continue to accept donations through Jan 30. Please drop your donations at the GMS front office .**

ORDER YOUR ROAR 2019-2020 YEARBOOK

Hey Tigers! If you haven't already ordered your copy of **THE ROAR 2019-20 Yearbook**, be sure to do so before the price increases to \$40 at midnight on December 31! The current price for the yearbook is \$35. Click the link to purchase yours now and save

money: <https://www.balfour.com/texas/austin/gorzycki-middle-school> . **We will NOT order extra books, so make sure you pre-order your copy today!**

If you have any questions about yearbook sales, you may contact the yearbook advisor, Andria Sindt at andria.sindt@austinisd.org

TIGER MART ITEM - CHROMEBOOK SLEEVES NOW AVAILABLE IN ADDITION TO CHROMEBOOK SKINS

Chromebook sleeves with the Gorzycki Tigers logo are now available as an alternative to the bags with straps issued by AISD. These are helpful to the students if they don't want an extra bag to carry and want to put their computer in their backpack to/from school. These are also acceptable for carrying their computers between classes instead of the AISD bag. All Chromebooks have to be in some sort of protective cover or bag. The Chromebook sleeves are \$12.



You are still able to purchase a "skin" from Tiger Mart. The skins are black with white GMS lettering and cost \$10. Having a skin on your Chromebook will allow your child to decorate it with stickers, etc without damaging AISD property. If you don't buy a skin at Tiger Mart, it's recommended to purchase one online or wherever you can find them.

SIGN UP FOR TIGER TEAM

It's that time again...time to sign up for Tiger Team! What is Tiger Team? It's parents who volunteer to supervise kids outside during their lunch time. Without volunteers to supervise the kids, they are required to stay inside during their entire lunch time. Healthy Food + Fresh Air = AWESOME KIDS!

Click here to sign up for a time slot! <https://signup.com/go/dmYoJeh>

Contact Sunny Tracey at sunnymtracey@gmail.com with any questions.

STUDENT EVENT PICKUP REMINDER

Please remember that students must be picked up from events within 10 minutes after the event. Some events like volleyball, football, and basketball don't have a set end time which can make this 10 minute window tricky. Either have a set time to pick up your student or a way to communicate with the student.

Current Fundraisers

Business Can Support the GMS PTA Too

The Gorzycki Partners in Education (PIE) Program enables your business to have significant exposure and visibility in our community while providing vital funds to support our

students. Partnerships are offered at various levels, which determines the level of recognition and exposure. PIE donations help supplement PTA funds for various campus wide and classroom needs determined by teacher fund requests and Dr. Mitchell.

Go to <https://www.tigerpta.org/tiger-day-sponsors> to learn more. If you have questions, please email partners.gms@gmail.com. Thanks for your support.

Choose Amazon Smile for GMS

Please consider shopping and earning cash for GMS! Select "PTA Texas Congress Gorzycki Middle School PTA"

Click [here](#) to link your purchases with Amazon Smile for GMS.

Box Tops for Education

Clip and save from participating products, then place in the box in the front office with the Box Tops logo on top. How do box tops raise money for your school, click [here](#) to read more. GMS contact: fundraising@tigerpta.org

Gorzycki Partner Program

The PTA works diligently to provide resources for our students, teachers and staff, but we can be more successful with the help of our many partners in the community! The Gorzycki Partner Program enables your business to have significant exposure and visibility in our community while providing vital funds to support our students. This opportunity is available to all businesses and families. Contact partners.gms@gmail.com with questions.

The PTA would like to thank the businesses that support our school!

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