[Gorzycki News] GMS PTA Newsletter - Week of 9/5/21



Upcoming at GMS

Click here to see the complete GMS website calendar for more events and details!

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 (A Day)

School Holiday

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 (B Day)

GMS Back to School Night

7th A Football game - GMS vs. Murchison 6PM - 7:30PM @ House Park

8th A Football game - GMS vs. Murchison 7:30PM - 9PM @ House Park

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 (A Day)

7th B Football game - GMS vs. Murchison 6PM - 7:30PM @ Burger Stadium

8th B Football game - GMS vs. Murchison 6PM - 7:30PM @ Murchison MS QUICK LINKS

School Site

GMS PTA Site

AISD COVID-19 Updates Parent Connection

Principal's Blog

Healthy Hints

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 (B Day)

Principal's Coffee Talk via Zoom 1PM - 2PM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 (C Day)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 (A Day)

CAC Meeting via Zoom 4PM - 5PM

7th B Football game - GMS vs. Hill Country 6PM - 7:30PM @ Burger Stadium

7th A Football game - GMS vs. Hill Country 7:30PM - 9PM @Burger Stadium

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 (B Day)

8th B Football game - GMS vs. Hill Country 5PM - 6:30PM @Westlake HS

TAP Parent Meeting 6PM - 6:30PM

8th A Football game - GMS vs. Hill Country 6:30PM - 8PM @Westlake HS

Theatre NYC Trip Meeting 6:30PM - 7PM

Gorzycki Back-to-School Night Expectations September 7, 2021 5:30-8:00

Parents have two different ways to participate in BTS Night:

- VIRTUAL View each teacher's blend page. Teachers will send a Blend announcement on Friday, September 3rd with the same information that will be available in-person on the 7th. Teachers will have created a video of their room and expectations.
- IN-PERSON If you would like to participate in person, GMS recommends the following times and ask that only one family member attend in order to reduce the number of families in the building and in each classroom.

5:30 -6:00 Student Last Name A-E 6:00-6:30 Student Last Name F- J 6:30-7:00 Student Last Name K- O 7:00-7:30 Student Last Name P- T 7:30-8:00 Student Last Name U-Z

To encourage social distancing and practice our safety protocols, please respect that our teachers will maintain a distance and not shake hands during the In-person BTS Night. There will not be a direct presentation. The expectation is that parents spend about 4 minutes per classroom to look around the room and see what your students are doing in that particular class.

Format for either the virtual or in-person event.

As you view BTS Night through Blend or visit each classroom, here are some things that will help you understand what happens in each room.

- . What information did the teacher have available that was specific to that class?
 - Grading Procedures
 - Behavior Expectations
 - Typical type of instruction students will experience
 - The content students are learning
- · What was the Learning Objective?
 - This is what the student is currently learning.
- · What was the Success Criteria?
 - This explains to students what they need to know to be successful for that learning objective.
- · How is the room arranged?
 - o Tables
 - Desks
- · What was something unique/interesting about the classroom?
- . If you would like to schedule a conference, please email the teacher.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ATTENDING GMS ATHLETIC EVENTS

AISD is allowing 100% capacity at all athletic events. GMS looks forward to the upcoming season and hopes that we can continue to provide a safe environment for all students, staff, and spectators. In order for us to do this, we need your assistance and cooperation for the benefit of our student-athletes. Please look over the guidelines below and help us provide the safest setting for our indoor athletic events.

- Complete the AISD App/Green screen prior to the game for each person attending. The Green Screen will not be checked upon entry.
- Masks are required for all spectators.

- Families sit together socially distanced from others. Students may attend with a parent/guardian
 and sit together as a family.
- The first game spectators exit immediately at the conclusion of the game allowing space for the second game.

Thanks again for your support and assistance as we all collectively work together to ensure a safe and positive athletic season for your students.

NEWS FROM GMS TIGER MART



Tiger Mart will re-open for in-person and online shopping. Students can visit the Tiger Mart daily during their lunch period.



ORGANIZATIONS INTERESTED IN GMS FLAG DUTY

GMS is asking for organizations that might want to help with raising and lowering the GMS flags every day. Please email cathryn.mitchell@austinisd if your organization is interested.

PRINCIPAL'S COFFEE TALK VIA ZOOM

Thursday, October 14, 2021 - 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Thursday, November 11, 2021 - 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Thursday, December 9, 2021 - 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Thursday, January 13, 2022 - 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Thursday, February 10, 2022 - 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Thursday, March 10, 2022 - 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Thursday, April 14, 2022 - 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Thursday, May 12, 2022 - 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Monthly Zoom invite will be sent to all parents

JOIN GMS PTA TODAY!



You belong in PTA! ...and so do your relatives, neighbors, and friends... Spread the word! The number one reason to join the Gorzycki Parent Teacher Association is to benefit your child. In doing so, you also help your school. This year's unique circumstances do not change the healthy relationship between our campus administration and the Gorzycki PTA Board and membership. Although programming and events may look different, we will continue to partner with Gorzycki to bring new resources that benefit all students.

As Gorzycki PTA gears up to support our teachers, staff, and students for 2021-2022, you can join in the effort by becoming a member of the PTA today. The PTA also supports our parents by providing timely information in our newsletter. Sign up to start receiving the PTA Bulletin. Our Gorzycki PTA works to improve the well-being of all students by providing enrichment programs and funding, as well as promoting advocacy and involvement throughout the school. The PTA encourages the collaboration of parents and teachers in order to promote and enhance the learning and education of our students. By becoming a member of the PTA, you'll be a part of an organization that truly does make a difference in the lives of all children at GMS. Please click the link to join today: https://www.joinpta.org/

Current Fundraisers

<u>Choose Amazon Smile for GMS</u>

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.

Support GMS through your Amazon App with Amazon Smile by clicking here.

Box Tops for Education

Download the Box Tops for Education app and start scanning your receipts! Every little bit counts and adds up quickly for GMS. How do box tops raise money for your school, click here_to-read more. GMS contact: fundraising@tigerpta.org

Show Your Stripes - Grant A Teacher's Wish



Show your GMS teachers some love by purchasing an item from their classroom wish list! Any purchase is greatly appreciated.

https://www.tigerpta.org/amazon-teacher-wish-list

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 Becca Lusk & Kelley Davis at partners.gms@gmail.com with questions.

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

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