



GLACIER High School



MOUNTAIN Home School

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PUBLIC NOTICE WSCS BOARD MEETING

March Board Meeting:
3/12, 3:00pm
at Endeavor Campus
in Room E

This meeting will be held at Endeavor
Charter School.

Can be viewed online at: www.wscsfamily.org/live-broadcast.html For more info go to:
www.wscsfamily.org/board.html

NEWSLETTER

February 2024



**"The art of teaching is the art
of assisting discovery."**

**-Mark Van Doren,
Pulitzer Prize for Poetry**



IMPORTANT DATES

- - Indicates GHS event
- - Indicates MHS event
- - Indicates both GHS & MHS event

FEBRUARY

	2/14	● Academic Pentathlon - Essay and Literature Test
2/2	● 4th grade MHS Field Trip- Eagle Tour Millerton Lake	2/15 ● Intent to Return form sent out for 2024-25 school year
2/3	● AcaDec Superquiz and Awards 8:00-4:00 Madera South HS	2/16 ● LP #7 attendance due
2/7	● Madera County Poetry Out Loud Competition (evening)	2/19-23 ● Presidents Week - No School
2/13	● 8th grade Parent/Student meeting - Glacier Information 11:45am-1pm - Mod A (details to be sent via Parent Square)	2/27 ● Staff meeting day - Campus closed PE day for TK-8 at Camp Oakhurst
		2/29 ● Intent to Return form due for 2024-25 school year

MARCH

3/6 ● California Acadec Essay and Objective testing online	3/16-17 ● State Poetry Out Loud Competition (weekend)
3/7 or 3/8 ● Peach Blossom Festival @ Fresno State	3/19-21 ● MHS Enrichment Classes end
3/8 ● ArtsFest submissions due for GHS & MHS	3/21-24 ● AcaDec State Competition
3/7 ● GHS Leadership Presentation Night	3/22 ● LP#8 Ends - Attendance Due - P2 reporting
3/9 ● Academic Pentathlon Competition - Ranchos Middle School	3/25-4/1 ● Spring Break
3/15 ● Site Spelling Bee K-8	

MOUNTAIN HOME AND GLACIER HIGH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Meet

KELLY MAPLES

Student Supervision Paraprofessional

What is your background/education?

Following graduation from Mariposa County High School in 2002, I started my first job for the National Park Service in Yosemite Valley in the Office of the Superintendent. During this time I worked as an administrative assistant and attended community college and online courses where I received my Fundamental Business Certificate with Colorado Technical University. In 2008, I pursued my love of the outdoors and interest in law enforcement by becoming an EMT and Law Enforcement Ranger based out of Yosemite Valley. I evolved in the role as the lead backcountry horse responder and spent many miles in the wilderness aiding those in need. In 2011, I accepted a role overseeing the Mounted Patrol Ranger and Volunteer Unit at Golden Gate National Recreation area in Marin and San Francisco counties. At the start of 2014, I returned to Mariposa where I accepted a patrol position with the Mariposa County Sheriff's Office. Over the course of the next 9 years, I served as a Deputy, Detective, Boat Deputy, Mounted Deputy and numerous other special assignments including serving as the CTE Criminal Justice Instructor at the Mariposa County High School. In August of 2023, I made the decision

to focus on personal and family goals while developing a small business in performance horse sales. I still operate Camp Creek Ranch during the late Spring to Fall and maintain a small ranch year round.

Family make up

In 2018, I met a gentleman named Kaiden during the sale of recreational cattle. We quickly learned we shared many interests and evolved into a shared life of love for each other, business, the outdoors, and animals... minus cats. Kaiden introduced me to family life with his two girls who I adore as my stepchildren. I learned motherhood is a role I wished to experience and hope to become a mother in June as we are expecting a son.

If you could snap your fingers and be good at something, what would it be?

On a small scale, I'd like to get better at a full night's sleep. On a large scale, I'd like to have a great life balance of home, work, play and all the things that matter.

What is the first career goal you remember having as a young person?

When I was a young girl, I really wanted to become a veterinarian, but learned I would need to attend another 12 years of school. I loved school and was usually pretty good at it, but decided it was just too much. I



spent a few summers shadowing a vet and learned it also came with significant risk and hardship.



Do you have any other interests/pursuits?

Family is my main interest, but I hope to build a couple small businesses in the future. I have started some sustainable farming practices and hope to expand this interest with my children and into a revenue generating opportunity.

What is your job at Mountain Home School and Glacier High School?

I serve in the role of student supervision where I work with students, staff, and parents to foster a safe and positive learning environment. I provide a place for students to share their concerns and address issues on campus as appropriate.

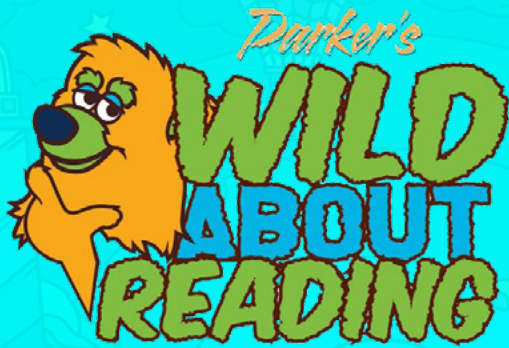
What are you most excited about with this new position?

Public service is a natural vocation for me as I still have a strong desire to help others coupled with a sense to protect. In this role, I am able to continue in a service position while having healthy personal, work, and family balance. I am excited to take part in an environment that I hope to involve my own family in in the future.





MOUNTAIN HOME SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS



Earn
Fresno
Grizzlies
Tickets!

MHS students who participate and read 10 books in 5 weeks receive 2 free tickets to a select "Wild About Reading" Grizzlies baseball game in 2024.

The reading challenge **begins 2/5/24 and ends on 3/15/24**. A Fresno Grizzlies bookmark will be provided to students to log their reading progress.

Once you finish reading 10 books during the 5 week challenge, bring your reading bookmark to Mrs. Neulinger or Mrs. Davis to receive your official stamp of completion.

For more information contact Mrs. Neulinger or Mrs. Davis



It's time to sign up for the spelling bee!

The Word Lists are now available on the table near MHS main reception area. To sign up, please click on [this link](#).

Where: Mountain Home School Main Building

When: Friday, March 15, 2024

Deadline To Sign Up:

Deadline to sign up is March 1st. The times of the grade-level bees will be announced once we know how many students will be participating at each grade level. There must be a minimum of 3 participants per grade to hold a contest at that level.

For more information, please contact April Hill at ahill@wscsfamily.org

P.E. Testing

For 5th, 7th and 9th Grade Students

WHERE: Mountain Home School

WHEN: March 4, 6, 8

TIME: A sign up sheet will be released through Parent Square in mid-February

COST: No charge, but everyone participating will receive a specially designed physical education bracelet.

DEADLINE TO RSVP: You must be signed up by **Friday, March 1**

ADDITIONAL DETAILS: Coach DeCarli and Coach Alvarez have been releasing information through ParentSquare. The next announcements will come out on February 1.

For more information contact: Mr. DeCarli at mdecarli@wscsfamily.org

MHSC Cross Country

WHERE: Mountain Area Schools

WHEN: March-April

COST: Free

ADDITIONAL DETAILS:

There will be three cross country meets in the spring starting in March. The meets are hosted by Coarsegold/Rivergold Elementary, Wasuma Elementary, and Minarets High School. Practices, meet dates, and sign-ups will be announced in a ParentSquare after the February break.



For more information contact: John Sloas at jsloas@wscsfamily.org



GLACIER HIGH SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

POETRY OUT LOUD



GHS POETRY OUT LOUD

Eight nervous and excited GHS students were joined in Mod A on January 17 by family, friends, and staff for the return of Poetry Out Loud to Glacier High School. The last time that GHS held a competition was all the way back in December 2019. The program was paused during the pandemic and virtual competitions and it is exciting to have the in-person experience back.



Mrs. Friesen (POL Coordinator) with Noah Mellon who earned 1st place in the competition.

Students took turns reciting their two poems while the judges scored the recitations. There were smiles, applause, nerves, and laughter as the audience was treated to poems like “[What horror to awake at night]”, “The Barnacle”, “now i’m bologna”, and “Eating Poetry”.

When all of the recitations had been given and the final scores tabulated, these were the results:

- 1st place went to Noah Mellon and his recitations of “If We Must Die” and “The Charge of the Light Brigade”.
- 2nd place went to Katie Smith and her recitations of “A Hymn to the Evening” and “After the Winter”.
- 3rd place went to Alexander Roeder and his recitations of “Battle Hymn of the Republic” and “I felt a Funeral, in my Brain, (340)”.
- 4th place went to Annalea Fulce and her recitations of “The Road Not Taken” and “Thine Own”.



Left to right: Annalea Fulce, Alexander Roeder, Katie Smith, Noah Mellon, Mrs. Friesen.

These four GHS students move on to the Madera County Competition on February 7 where \$1,000 will be awarded to first place, \$500 to second, and \$250 to third. The student who finishes first at the county level will also receive \$250 towards food, lodging, and travel to the state competition in Sacramento on March 16-17 and the winner at the state level will move on to the National Poetry Out Loud competition in Washington, D.C. April 30-May 2.

Stay tuned to hear how these four do at the County competition!



GLACIER HIGH SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

POETRY OUT LOUD



GHS Poetry Out Loud participants, left to right beginning in the back: Peyton Williams, Levi Rumohr, Alexander Roeder, Noah Mellon. Front: Katie Smith, Annalea Fulce, Dejea Cornell, Rachel Cieslinski.

Poetry Out Loud Judges & Staff, left to right beginning in the back: Mrs. Alves - Prompter, Mrs. Boe - Accuracy Judge, Mr. Boe - Assistant Score Tabulator, Mrs. Alvarez - Score Tabulator. Front: Peter Clarke, Tamara Dent, Julie Riley - Recitation Judges.



Prom 2024

April 13, 2024
6pm-10pm

Theme: Red Carpet

Fresno Elks Lodge
Dinner will be served

Feb 6-16 Early bird: Seniors \$55
9th-11th grade \$65
Feb 26-Apr 3: Seniors \$60
9th-11th grade \$70

Because of fundraisers, the ticket prices were lowered by
\$10! Thank you, WSCS!

Make sure to notice when ticket sales begin and that there is a discount for GHS & ECS SENIORS as well as EARLY BIRD PRICING. Guest passes are available on the school's website and must be turned in no later than April 3.

For more information contact Mrs. Friesen: kfriesen@wscsfamily.org



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

with Greg Hill

All High School Students - "Counseling Connection"

I am hosting a weekly "College & Career Counseling Connection" for students. It is an informational meeting for high school students every Tuesday morning from 10AM-10:15AM via Zoom. A zoom link was sent out through ParentSquare with information about the topics I will be covering. The topics will include College/Career and postgraduate information. Here are the topics for the month of February:

- 2/6 - Top 5 things you should know before graduating
- 2/13 - Getting a job - Your Resume
- 2/27 - Career Readiness - Path to Your Dream Job

Grad Nite Fundraiser Ideas:

If any senior has fundraiser ideas to offset Grad Nite costs please contact me.

Local Community College Applications:

Seniors interested in attending one of our local community colleges should apply with priority registration through the "Registration To Go" Program:
 SCCCD (Fresno City, Oakhurst Center, Madera Center, Clovis Community, Reedley College)

Local Community College "Registration To Go" steps

1. Application: October
2. Online Orientation: November
3. Counseling / Advising with Student Educational Plan: Feb/March
4. Registration for classes: April if above steps are completed

FAFSA and Money Matters

All seniors planning on attending any college or a career technical school:

The FAFSA application opens October 1st. www.fafsa.ed.gov

ASVAB Test : Wednesday, March 19th, 2:00 PM at Glacier in Mod "C"

For 10-12th graders. The ASVAB CEP is a complete career planning program. Students are given the opportunity to take the ASVAB at no cost and no commitment to military service. The ASVAB CEP also provides an interest assessment and planning tools to help young adults explore career field entry requirements and various career paths, both military and civilian.

High school students in grades 10, 11 and 12 and those enrolled at post-secondary institutions can participate in

the ASVAB CEP. Students in 11th grade and beyond receive valid scores for enlistment. The ASVAB Interpretation date (this is where a recruiter will go over the scores and career exploration) will be 4/9/24 at 2PM in Mod "C."

Please email me at ghill@wscsfamily.org to sign up for the test. Look for a Parentsquare with more information.

Community College High School Enrichment Program:

The High School Enrichment (HSE) is the name of the program that affords an opportunity for students to take up to 11 units of community college classes that count for both high school and college credit per semester. One semester college class is equivalent to 1 year of high school, so 10 credits will be awarded. And, it will count as an honors class with a GPA bump. Email me at ghill@wscsfamily.com for more information. Also, look for an upcoming ParentSquare with complete details.



Please email me at ghill@wscsfamily.org if you have any questions!

STAFF DIRECTORY

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NAME	EXTENSION	PRIMARY ASSIGNMENT
Denise Alvarez	123	Glacier High Teacher
Courtney Alves	121	Glacier High Teacher
Mike Cox	102	WSCS Director of Schools
Julie Davis	103	Mountain Home Teacher
Kaylene Friesen	122	Glacier High Teacher
Eric Hagen	107	Principal/Tech Admin
April Hill	108	Mountain Home Teacher
Greg Hill	129	Guidance Counselor
Jody Jeffers	117	Chief Business Officer
Denise Jones	100	Receptionist/Registration
Katie Kelly	116	Glacier High Teacher
Kim Meeks	105	Mountain Home Teacher
Ramon Mendoza	113	Accommodations
Angela Moons	120	Special Education Administrator
Mike DeCarli Sandy DeCarli	124	Mountain Home Teacher
Diane Neulinger	112	Librarian/Office
Melissa Culver Aaron Kiang	114	Tech Office
Tiffany Palmer	133	WSCS Account Clerk
Rachel Proto	111	Mountain Home Teacher
John Rumohr	106	Mountain Home Teacher
Holli Shipp	128	HR
John Sloas	110	Mountain Home Teacher
Joyce Vind	109	Mountain Home Teacher

Email addresses for all staff are: first initial and last name @wscsfamily.org (no spaces)

SUPPORT STAFF

Support Staff: Lisa Boe (Art); Reghina Crump (ROV); Tamara Dent (Music); Barbara Graas (MHS Class); JoAnn Heidebrecht (MHS Class/Tutoring teacher); Sandy Johnson (MHS/GHS Math); Daniel Takanishi (GHS Chemistry); Kelly Maples (Student Supervision);