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NEWSLETTER

January 2020



MARK YOUR CALENDAR
IMPORTANT DATES

JANUARY

- Dec. 19 - Jan. 3 • Winter Vacation
- Jan. 6 • Month 5 Attendance Due
- Jan. 20 • MHS/GHS Chess Clinic Tournament
- MLK Holiday: school closed for regular school business
- Jan. 23 • School Pictures for New Students or "Make-up" Pictures 8:00 a.m. - 1:00p.m.

FEBRUARY

- Feb. 13 • Furballs & Friends
- Feb. 25 • S.T.E.A.M FAIR

HAPPY NEW YEAR from your
WSCS Oakhurst Family!

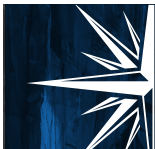


With winter approaching, there are occasions when we are unable to open the school at 8:00am due to snow or icy road conditions. Therefore, we have a 2 hour delay schedule that has been posted on the MHS and GHS website under Oakhurst Schedules. Most classes will be held, but instead of 1.5 hour classes, they will be 1 hour long. Please refer to these schedules. When a delay occurs, we will send out a Parent Square message!

This Newsletter contains **CLICKABLE LINKS** throughout!
TRY IT!

ATTENDANCE
FORMS





ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUBLIC NOTICE

WSCS BOARD MEETING

January 16th, 2020 at 2:30pm • Oakhurst Campus
The agenda will be posted by the front door; also available @ wscsfamily.org

FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS



Furballs and Friend:
A GHS Leadership Project
Thursday, February 13, 2020 • 2:30 a.m.
Oakhurst Healthcare and Wellness Center

What is Furballs and Friends you might ask? Furballs and Friends is when we bring our tame pets to the Oakhurst Healthcare and Wellness Center to brighten up the residents' day.

When: February 13th both 2:30.
Where: *Oakhurst Healthcare and Wellness Center*
40131 CA-49, Oakhurst, CA 93644

Watch for a sign-up sheet at school & contact GHS Student, Courtney Curry at curry167585@wscsfamily.org
Another awesome event brought to you by the GHS Leadership Class

School Pictures for Mountain Home and Glacier

Thursday, January 23, 2020

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Oakhurst Campus

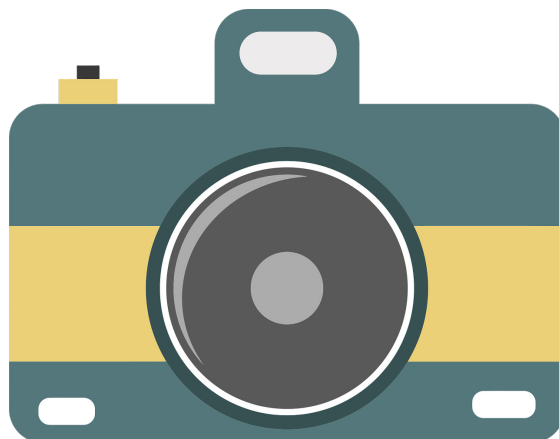
(for new students or if you missed the first round of pictures)

When: Thursday, January 23rd

Time: 8 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Where: Near the entrance of the main building

Pictures will be utilized for the yearbook and packages will be available to purchase...no ID cards will be available.





MOUNTAIN HOME SCHOOL NEWS



MARK YOUR CALENDAR IMPORTANT DATES

- Peach Blossom Festival sign-ups for Grades 1-6
- 2020 Spelling Bee - sign up to receive your wordlist.

JANUARY

- Jan. 7** • Onsite Math Courses with Ms. Sandy resume Semester 2
- Jan. 9** • Scratch Day - see information below
• Parent Workshops: 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
- Jan. 10** • Downing Planetarium Field Trip
- Jan. 13** • 1st Learn to Ski/Board Day at Badger Pass
- Jan. 20** • MHS/GHS Chess Clinic Tournament

FEBRUARY

- Feb. 25** • S.T.E.A.M. Fair
- Feb. 28** • K-8 Spelling Bee at MHS Oakhurst.

MHS Oakhurst Spring 2020 Class Schedule

SEMESTER 2 Enrichment Begins:

Tue., January 21

Sign-ups begin: Monday, January 6th

Tuesday Classes (math courses begin Jan 7)

MARKET ROOM	CABIN	BRICK ROOM	MOD A	MOD B	MOD C	GARAGE
		Math Course 1A 8:00-9:00 Tue/Wed S. Johnson				
Kinder Enrichment 9:15-11:15 Fruth	1/2 Engineering 9:00-10:30 Meeks	Math Course 3 (8th) 9:00-10:30 Tue/Wed/Fri S. Johnson	4-5 Art- Meet the Masters 9:00-10:30 Davis	6-8 BEG Comp. Sci. Animations and Games 9:00-10:30 Hill/Johnson	3/4 Math 9:00-10:30 Vind	
	1/2 American History 10:45-12:00 Hill	Math Course 1 (6th) 10:45-12:15 Tue/Wed/Fri S. Johnson	3-4 Art- Meet the Masters 10:45-12:15 Davis	6-8 Writing 10:45-12:15 Oliphant	4/5 Oregon Trail 10:45-12:15 Vind	7-8 Yearbook 10:45-12:15 Meeks
	Lunch Break 12:15-12:45	Lunch Break 12:15-12:45	Lunch Break 12:15-12:45	Lunch Break 12:15-12:45	Lunch Break 12:15-12:45	Lunch Break 12:15-12:45
PLP MEETING ROOM	4/5 Computer Science 12:45-2:15 Fruth	Math Course 2 (7th) 12:45-2:15 Tue & Wed S. Johnson	6/7 ART Meet The Masters 12:45-2:15 Oliphant	6-8 Digital Media 12:45-2:15 R. Johnson	Writing Lab 12:45-1:30 for 3rd 1:30-2:15 for 4-5th Heidebrecht	3-5 BEG Lego Robotics** 12:45-2:15 Rumohr/Hill TUES ONLY
	Pentathlon 2:15-3:30 Meeks					

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S.T.E.A.M. Fair 2020 **Tuesday, February 25, 2020** **6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

Mountain Home School's annual Science Fair. All grades K-12 are invited to participate! Informational Packets are available on the sign up board. Any questions contact Joyce Vind 642-1422 ext 109



Spelling Bee **Friday, February 28, 2020**

The Spelling Bee will be held on Friday, February 28th. Sign-up on the board and get your word lists from Mrs. Hill to start studying!

Wordlists will be distributed to school mailboxes periodically as names are added to the master list.

Parent Workshop Day **Thursday, January 9, 2020**

TIME	TOPIC	ROOM	PRESENTER
8:45 - 9:00	Continental Breakfast	Main Building	
9:00 - 9:45 Repeated @ 10:00	Becoming a Strong Independent Reader - <i>Learning to Read</i>	Market Room	Mrs. Fruth
9:00 - 9:45 Repeated @ 10:00	Building a Solid Math Foundation <i>Instructional Strategies</i>	Modular A	Mrs. Meeks

We hope you will be able to join us for the first of 2 Parent Workshop Days! Please sign-up if you are able to attend. Childcare: Provided for children aged 3 to 6 by Girl Talk students on a 1 st come 1 st serve basis GHS Student Tim Sparks will be holding a SCRATCH class for students in 3rd - 5th.

Sign-up sheets are at the school.

We are in need of parents who have homeschooled for a while willing to sit on a Parent Panel for our 2nd Parent Workshop day - please let principal, Mindy Klang know!

Possible topics for the 2 nd Parent Workshop: Effective Writing Instruction, Strategies for a Better Home Study Experience/ Q & A Parent Panel ~ have a topic you'd like presented? Let us know!



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Scratch Day **Tuesday, January 9, 2020**

Come join us for Scratch Day, where we look at the basics of a drag-and-drop programming website, Scratch! This event is for 3rd-5th graders only.

Class begins at 9:00am; ends at 11:00 in Mod C
LIMIT: 18 STUDENTS - FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE

Contact Glacier High Student Tim for any questions
559-580-5779 OR sparks167554@wscsfamily.org
(Note: This is a school email and it can only receive emails from other school email addresses) This is Tim Sparks GHS Leadership Project!



Peach Blossom Festival Sign-ups **Monday, January 6, 2020**

Students in grades 1-6 may sign up to participate in the annual Peach Blossom Festival to be held at Fresno State on March 12th & 13th. The festival helps children realize the importance of reciting literature aloud and teaches them about interpretation, performance, and how to be an audience member. Spaces are limited, so sign up as an individual or small group today. Selection titles due the first week of January. Questions? Contact Mrs. Davis or Mrs. Vind.

Field Trip to Downing Planetarium **Friday, Jan., 10th at 10:15 a.m.** **Fresno State**

Students-\$4.50 Adults: \$3.50. Sign-ups begin 1/6/20.
See Julie Davis for questions.



Fresno Philharmonic

Did you know the Fresno Philharmonic loves to see students at their concerts? They offer special \$15 tickets for students (with valid student ID) to any regular season concerts. Tickets may be ordered by calling the box office at (559) 261-0600.





GLACIER HIGH SCHOOL NEWS



MARK YOUR CALENDAR IMPORTANT DATES

JANUARY

- Jan. 6** • All classes resume
- Jan. 15** • Bake Sale by Leadership students - Bring your \$ for some yummy treats
- Seniors/Parents Community Awards Meeting 4:00 p.m.
- Jan. 22** • 2:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. ASVAB for 10th-12th - Sign up with Mr. Hill or Mrs. Friesen
- Jan. 23** • 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. School Pictures for New Students or "Make-up" Pictures
- Jan. 24** • Academic Decathlon Competition begins
- Late Jan.** • "Enchanted Forest" Prom ticket sales begin - Price will be around \$50 per ticket

FEBRUARY

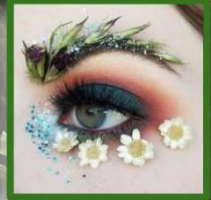
- Feb. 1** • Academic Decathlon Super Quiz Event and Awards
- Feb. 25** • S.T.E.A.M. Fair

Make your way to the

Enchanted Forest

2020 GHS PROM
Ticket sales begin late-January

6-10 pm Saturday, March 14
Yosemite Lakes Park Clubhouse
Coarsegold



GHS Charity Miles Hike at Wawona Meadow

Join us at Wawona Meadow in Yosemite National Park on January 4th.



There will be **free admission to the park YNP**. Just tell the guard that you are here to visit employee Phil Higuera, where they will then hand you a form for him to sign.

We will first meet at Wawona for lunch at 11:15 am. Make sure to bring money if you choose to go.

We will start the hike from the trailhead across from the Wawona Hotel at 1:00 pm. You can park at the Wawona Hotel, or take the road across from the hotel that cuts in the middle of the golf course, to a parking lot with pit toilets and a trailhead sign. This is an easy, 4 mile round-trip hike.



You are encouraged to download and sign up for the Charity Miles app to record your miles for this hike. However, whether you sign up or not, join us for the hike.

Charity Miles is an app that allows you to earn money through sponsors, which will then go to a charity of your choosing.

If you are raising money for a charity, you will be able to earn community service hours from the hike. Mrs. Friesen will sign off on Community Service hours once your participation has been verified.

Date: Saturday, January 4th
Time: 11:15 am - lunch, 1:00 pm - hike
Where: Wawona Hotel - lunch
Wawona Meadows - hike

All GHS students, friends, and family are welcome.

Please RSVP by emailing aiden.higuera@gmail.com for lunch plus the hike, or hike only.



I am raising money for:



This is part of my Leadership Project for the GHS Leadership class.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

GLACIER STUDENTS! EARN YOUR VARSITY LETTER!

Letter Preface: Glacier High School speaks of GRIT, which is an acronym for “Growth Mindset, Responsibility, Integrity, and Tenacity.” For a student to truly grow they must use GRIT and this will be rewarded when students earn honors in arts, academics and/or sports which can be displayed through the award of a letter that can be sewn to the jacket. This honor will not only increase students’ feeling of school pride and belonging, but also will strengthen their college applications. The objective of these Varsity Letter Criteria (VLC) standards is to stimulate students to achieve the goal of earning a letter. Amendments may be adopted as needed and determined by the Varsity Letter Staff and administration.

General Practice: A GHS student may earn an athletics or arts letter by participating in Glacier, community, or contracted high school hosted activities, however, if they are participating in activities outside of GHS, the athlete, musician, actor, or artist can only earn a GHS athletics or arts letter by meeting all GHS criteria for that letter. A GHS Student may only earn a varsity letter if standards are met during enrollment at Glacier High School Charter. It is the responsibility of the GHS student to submit the completed VLC Checklist and supporting documentation to VLC staff for evaluation of standards. More info posted at school.





COUNSELOR'S CORNER with Greg Hill

Important dates/deadlines:

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: SCCC (Fresno City, Oakhurst Center, Madera Center, Clovis Community, Reedley College)

Local Community College "Registration To Go" Steps

1. Application: Do ASAP
2. Online Orientation: December
3. Counseling / Advising with Student Educational Plan: March
4. Registration for Classes: April if above steps are completed



**Community College is free when you enroll in at least 12 units and fill out the FAFSA.*

FAFSA AND MONEY MATTERS

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

FAFSA application opens October 1st. www.fafsa.ed.gov
Apply ASAP!

Community Awards Meeting for Seniors & Parents: January 15th at 4PM:

Come learn about how to apply for our local community awards.

Seniors: If you have not turned your "Grad Info Sheet" in to me please do so. Please email me at gghill@wscsfamily.org if you have any questions.

ASVAB Test

10th, 11th, 12th graders: Sign up for the ASVAB test. It will be on January 22nd from 2:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. at Glacier High. Limited Seats available. Email Mrs. Friesen or Mr. Hill to sign up. (kfriesen@wscsfamily.org or gghill@wscsfamily.org)

The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery is the most widely used multiple-aptitude test battery in the world. As an aptitude test, the ASVAB measures your strengths, weaknesses, and potential for future success. The ASVAB also provides you with career information for various civilian and military occupations and is an indicator for success in future endeavors whether you choose to go to college, vocational school, or a military career.

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