



**GLACIER
High School**



**MOUNTAIN
Homeschool**

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PUBLIC NOTICE WSCS BOARD MEETING

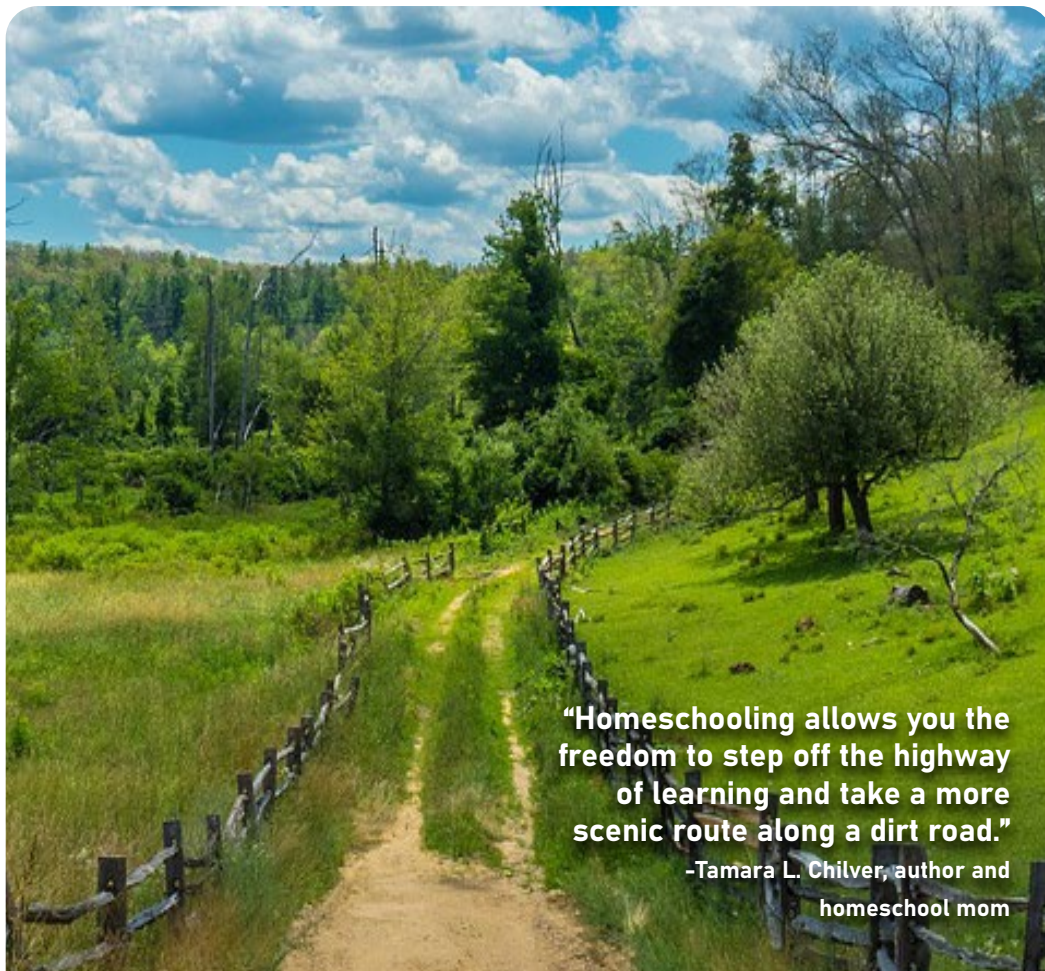
November Board Meeting:
11/14, 3:00pm
at Endeavor Campus
in Room E

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

November 2023



"Homeschooling allows you the freedom to step off the highway of learning and take a more scenic route along a dirt road."

-Tamara L. Chilver, author and homeschool mom



IMPORTANT DATES

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

NOVEMBER

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| 11/2 ● MHS Field Trip
Fresno Chaffee
Zoo | 11/20-24 ● Thanksgiving
Break |
| 11/3 ● LP 3 End/
Attendance
Due
● GHS
Leadership to
Reagan
Grad Night
Deposit \$25
Due | 11/28 ● PE Day for
TK-8 at Camp
Oakhurst 9:30-
11am
● Staff meeting
day - Campus
closed |
| 11/6-9 ● Scholastic
Book Fair | 11/30 ● MHS (TK-8)
Monterey Bay
Aquarium
Field Trip |
| 11/10 ● Veterans Day | |
| 11/15 ● Poetry Out
Loud coaching | |
| 11/16 ● UC Merced
Visit | |

DECEMBER

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| 12/1 ● LP 4 End/
Attendance
Due | 12/8 ● MHS Battle
of the Books
Competition in
Madera |
| 12/4-12/8 ● GHS Onsite
Classes end 1st
semester
● Kids Gift
Workshop -
TBA | 12/15 ● Attendance
Due for LP #5 -
Semester ends |
| 12/5 ● Oakhurst
Christmas Tree
Decorating
& Choir
Performance
● GHS Christmas
Party (evening) | 12/18-1/3 ● Xmas Break |
| 12/6 ● Poetry Out
Loud coaching
● MHS / GHS
Winter
Showcase | 12/29 ● LP #5 Ends |

MOUNTAIN HOME AND GLACIER HIGH ANNOUNCEMENTS

RAPTOR UPDATE

Dear Families,

All parents and visitors will need to sign in and sign out of the visitor management system if they intend to be on our campus for a period of time. **This will take effect January 4, 2024.**

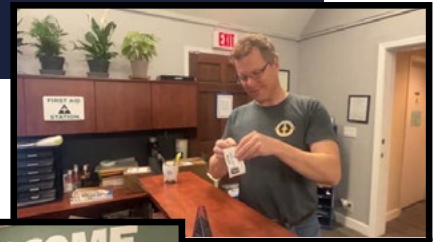
We encourage you to create your parent user profile during the months of November and December. This will greatly reduce the front desk traffic for our office staff come January. No extra trip is needed. Feel free to stop by during your next PLP Meeting.






We have a newly released parent tutorial for our Raptor Visitor Management. This [video tutorial](#) will answer all essential questions you have about creating a profile, signing in, and signing out of our visitor kiosks.

You can find this link at <https://www.wscsfamily.org/raptor>

If you have any questions, please let your site administrator know.

Parent & Visitor Introduction Video





ROUND TABLE

PIZZA FUNDRAISER

3-8 pm

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

ELECTION DAY!

40034 CA-49 A-2 Oakhurst
(Old Mill Village)

*Make sure to mention
GLACIER HIGH SCHOOL when you order!*

20% of designated sales from dine-in
and takeout orders will be donated to
the GHS ASB fund!

Questions? Contact Mrs. Friesen
*Excludes alcoholic beverages and sales tax.

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Welcome our **NEW TEACHER:** Mrs. Alves!

Mrs. Alves earned a BA in English, a Master's in Education, and a Secondary Teaching Credential from Western Governors University. She has continued to increase her skills and knowledge through professional development opportunities such as the Evidence-Based writing program, strategies for reaching older struggling readers, and creating a trauma-informed classroom.

Before beginning at Glacier High School this year, she was a stay-at-home mom and became very involved with a local non-profit, NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness). She served on the board of directors, taught classes, and did presentations for the organization.

Mrs. Alves has been married for 17 years to her husband (a MCSO deputy) and together they have a 14 year old son. Outside of her time at GHS, she



can usually be found hiking, camping, reading a book (while her boys dirt bike), or snuggling with her dog and kitten.

Winter SHOWCASE

(Previously known as our Talent Show)

Where: Yosemite High School Theater
50200 High School Rd
Oakhurst, Ca. 93644

When: December 6, 2023 @ 5:30-7:30

Deadline To Rsvp:
November 30, 2023

For more information contact Joyce Vind at jvind@wscsfamily.org
or 642-1422 ext 109

TECHNOLOGY CORNER

This month, in the Technology Corner, we are directing your attention to Digital Citizenship. Digital Citizenship represents the ethical decisions that we make on all pieces of technology. As our children navigate a tech-rich learning environment, what resources are available for us as parents/caregivers? How can we help our children/students make wise, helpful, good decisions across screens?

Here are a few questions to consider:

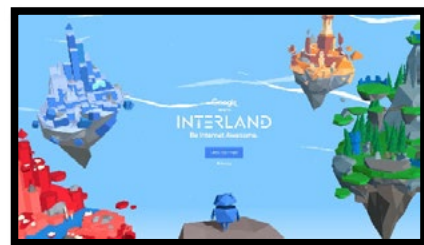
- 1) If your child has a cellphone, do you [parent] know how to block mature content on that device before you give it to them?
- 2) If your child has a cellphone, do your children know what to do if a stranger sends them a text message? Do they know how to block callers or texters?
- 3) If someone starts to harass your child in an online chat forum, do they know how to respond to that situation?
- 4) Do your children have wise password strategies? Do they use diverse characters when they build those passwords?
- 5) As a family, do you talk about technology choices on a routine basis?

Resources:

As you explore this topic more, here are four resources to consider: teaching content, one game, and two podcasts. Click on the links below to access those resources.



[Teach Digital Citizenship](#)



[Interland – Learn about internet safety & play a game.](#)



[Digital Citizenship – Part 01](#)



[Digital Citizenship – Part 02](#)



MOUNTAIN HOME SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS



 SCHOLASTIC

BOOK FAIR

It's Book Fair Time!



Date: November 6-9, 2023

Times: Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Place: Mountain Home School Charter

Dates/Times/Place

Check out with Book Fair eWallet, the convenient, cash-free payment system and earn BIG rewards for our school! Woo hoo!



*Come to
The Fair
Choose books
You Love*

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Mountain Home Ski School Informational Meeting

WHERE: MHS Market Classroom

WHEN: Wednesday, Nov 15, 2023

TIME: 3:00pm

An informational meeting for families and instructors interested in Mountain Home Ski School. Depending on the amount of instructors available, this is a Kindergarten through 8th grade opportunity. Parents, relatives, or adult friends will be needed to be instructors. All paperwork is due Friday, Dec 8, 2023. The first day of Ski School is tentatively Monday, January 8, 2024 (depending on snow). There will be five Mondays of Ski School.

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



Monterey Bay Aquarium Field Trip

for MHS Students

Where: Monterey Bay Aquarium, 886 Cannery Row, Monterey, CA.

When: Thursday, November 30

Time: 11:30 - 5:00

Cost: Please see the Parent Square Notice for details on sign ups, cost and how to pay.

Deadline To Pay/RSVP:
November 17, 2023

For more information, please contact Mrs. Julie Davis:
jdavis@wscsfamily.org



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Kids Gift WORKSHOP

WHERE: MHS Main Building
41367 Highway 41

WHEN: December 4 - December 8

COST: FREE for all MHS students TK-8

Session times and sign-ups coming soon!

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

This is a special opportunity for your kids to create a special “secret” gift for a loved one. After signing up for a session, you may drop your child off for the duration of the workshop (no parents allowed). The entire MHS staff will work alongside your child in a small group setting to create a special something. Your student will create and wrap 2 items during the duration of the workshop. These are great gifts for moms, dads, grandparents, or other loved ones. Don't miss out!

Oakhurst Christmas Tree Decorating *and* Choir Performances

Where: The Talking Bear in Oakhurst:
40307 CA-41, Oakhurst, CA 93644

When: Tuesday, December 5th, 2023

Time: 1:00pm

Cost: Free! - Just show up and enjoy the free entertainment and activities.

For more information contact Rachel Proto at rproto@wscsfamil.org

It's the most wonderful time of year!!

Join Mrs. Proto on Tuesday, December 5th at 1pm in Oakhurst at The Talking Bear (Hwy 41 and Road 226) to decorate the Mountain Home School Charter Christmas Tree. Each local elementary school in our area will decorate a tree for the community to enjoy. This year we will also be joined by Mrs. Dent's choir class. They will perform various songs and carols while we decorate the tree and enjoy some tasty refreshments and snacks. All materials will be provided to decorate the tree. Simply show up, lend a helping hand and enjoy the festivities.





GLACIER HIGH SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

POETRY OUT LOUD



Even if you missed the first coaching session, you can still sign-up! Contact Mrs. Friesen right away at kfriesen@wscsfamily.org.

[Watch this](#) brief video to see what POETRY OUT LOUD is all about!



Watch Now

ABOUT: Poetry Out Loud is a poetry recitation competition open to all high school students

BENEFITS:

- Most levels of competition have monetary awards
- The excitement of competition and camaraderie with other competitors
- Fosters a lifelong love of poetry
- Builds self-confidence and public speaking skills

IMPORTANT DATES

- 1-hour coaching sessions with Mrs. Friesen - Oct 25, Nov 15, Dec 6, Jan 10
- GHS competition - The afternoon of January 17 or 18, 2024
- Top GHS participants move on to the Madera County competition the evening of Wednesday, February 7
- Top Madera County participant moves on to the CA competition in Sacramento March 16-17

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



GHS & ECS LEADERSHIP CLASSES DAY

AMERICA'S BEST DAYS ARE YET TO COME
OUR PROUDEST at the

REAGAN PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY

Where: Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley

When: Friday, November 3, 2023

Time: From 3:45 am to approximately 10:15 pm

Leadership students from Glacier and Endeavor High Schools are ready to travel to the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley on Friday, November 3! They have reviewed the Cold War and some of the impacts of Reagan's presidency and are ready to immerse themselves in that era.

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



(Photo from 2022 trip)

GHS's END OF SEMESTER CHRISTMAS PARTY

SAVE THE DATE

When: Tuesday evening, December 5, 2023

Time: Stay tuned for more details!

This event is brought to you by your dedicated GHS Student Leadership/ASB class and it's going to be a blast!





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 November:

- 11/7 - Nuts and bolts of 9th and 10th grade year
- 11/14 - Guest Speaker CHP
- 11/28 - Financial Aid - How to fill out the FAFSA

Grad Nite Deposit at Magic Mountain: \$25
\$25 is due by November 3rd, 2023 to secure your spot.

Please submit payment at the front desk.
Grad Nite will be Thursday, May 23rd, 2024. Total ticket price to be determined. Look for more details to come on ParentSquare.
Grad night registration includes a Six Flags Magic Mountain Grad Pass (a season pass that allows students to come back to the park for the rest of 2024 with only black out dates during Fright Fest).

All High School Students! UC Merced College Visit

Tour Date: Thursday, November 16, 2023
 Admissions Presentation: 11:00am - 12:00pm
 Campus Tour: 12:00pm - 1:30pm
 Dining on Campus: 1:30pm
 Must RSVP to the ParentSquare post to attend. Limited spots available.

College Application Information:

California State University & University of California applications open on October 1st! They are both due on November 30. Apply online.

CSU: www2.calstate.edu
 UC: www.ucop.edu/pathways
 Private University: Deadline varies

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COUNSELOR'S CORNER

with Greg Hill

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: 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

GE - Reagan Foundation Scholarship Opportunity:

We're helping to send the next generation of leaders to college. Will you be next?
 The GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship offers college scholarships of up to \$40,000 for high school seniors nationwide who showcase leadership, drive, integrity, and citizenship.
 Deadline: January 4, 2024.
<https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/ge-reagan/>



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

STAFF DIRECTORY

Mountain Homeschool and Glacier High School

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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 & Sandy DeCarli	124	Mountain Home Teacher
Diane Neulinger	112	Librarian/Office
Melissa Culver and Aaron Kiang	114	Tech Office
Tiffany Palmer	133	WSCS Account Clerk
Rachel Proto	111	Mountain Home Teacher
John Rumohr	106	Mountain Home Teacher
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

Lisa Boe (Art); Rebecca Brokaw (Spanish); Reghina Crump (ROV); Tamara Dent (Music); Linda Nichols (MHS Math) Barbara Graas (MHS Class); JoAnn Heidebrecht (MHS Class/Tutoring teacher); Sandy Johnson (MHS/GHS Math); Daniel Takanishi (GHS Chemistry); Nick Teddleton (Safety/Supervision Specialist)