



Middle School Matters

December 6, 2019

Monday 12/9 Day 1	Tuesday 12/10 Day 2	Wednesday 12/11 Day 3	Thursday 12/12 Day 4	Friday 12/13 Day 5
Monday 12/16 Day 6	Tuesday 12/17 Day 1	Wednesday 12/18 Day 2	Thursday 12/19 Day 3	Friday 12/20 Day 4

Dates to Make Note of:

Dec. 6 - 7th & 8th Grade Winter Dance - 7-9PM
Dec. 11 - PATRIOT PRIDE
Dec. 12 - Winter Choral Concert - 7PM - Gym
Dec. 14 - Robotics Comp. - Gym & Dining Rm. -7:30AM – 4PM
Dec. 17 - 8B Constitution Center Trip - 8:45AM - 1:45PM
Dec. 19 - 8C Constitution Center Trip - 8:45AM - 1:45PM
Dec. 20 - A Christmas Carol Presentation – 7th Grade Students – Choral Room
Dec. 20 - Early Dismissal/11AM
Dec. 23-Jan. 1 - Winter Recess
Jan. 2 - Classes Resume!
Jan. 3 - World Languages Soccer Event - 6PM-9:30PM

Congratulations to our 8th grade student Lauren Naro. Lauren recently completed in the US Equestrian Athletic Lettering Program. This program was developed to provide recognition for the accomplishments of young equestrians and encourage their future involvement in equestrian sport. Participation in the program must be students in grades 5-12 who document at least 100 hours of training or provide verification of participation in 3 equestrian competitions during the year.



MAKING A DIFFERENCE EVERY DAY!

CCRES is a non-profit industry leader providing educational and behavioral health staffing services. They work in partnership with our Great Valley School District to support staffing needs. CCRES seeks dedicated staff to support students. If you are interested in this wonderful opportunity, please visit us at: <https://ccres.tedk12.com/hire/ViewJob.aspx?JobID=152>

Awarding Teachers with Heart

Citadel recognizes teachers who go above and beyond. That is why we teamed up with the Chester County Intermediate Unit 19 years ago to create the Citadel Heart of Learning Award. The Citadel Heart of Learning Award is a teaching excellence award for Chester County teachers. Each year 15 finalists and 3 overall winners are selected for their outstanding contribution to the community through teaching. Students, parents, teachers, administrators, or anyone in the community can nominate a teacher at: CitadelHeartofLearning@CitadelBanking.com. Nominations are open through December 31, 2019.



Points of Interest

- The Student Council sponsored **Winter dance is Friday, December 6, from 7:00PM-9:00PM**. The dance is for current 7th and 8th grade GVMS students. The cost for the dance is \$5.00. Canned soda and bottled water will cost \$1.00. Proceeds from the soda and water sales will be donated to the Four Diamonds Foundation. Thank you to the GVMS PTO for donating the snacks.
- Summer Reading Book Donations:** If you would like to donate your Summer Reading Book, please give it to your ELA teacher or drop it in one of the collection boxes around the school. These books will be lent out to the students in need to use next summer. Thank you for all who have donated Summer Reading books so far!
- Box Tops for Education has some BIG changes!** The traditional Box Tops to clip will be phased out, and digital box tops will replace them. You may still find some of those traditional Box Tops in your stores for a short while. For more information on Box Tops for Education, please visit: <https://www.boxtops4education.com/How%20To%20Earn> Thank you for continuing to support this program!
- A Few Reminders from the Middle School:** If you will be absent or will be coming into school late, please email our attendance desk at gvmsattendance@gvmsd.org by 9AM. If for any reason your child will be picked up early from school, please be sure to send a note with your student indicating the time of the departure so we can note our attendance records. An early dismissal email can be sent in to the attendance email as well. All notes should come to the main office upon entering school in the morning. Cell phones are not permitted in school during the school day; phones must be left in the student's locker. In addition, if you have a meeting during the school day with anyone in the building you must bring in a valid drivers license for admittance to the school building! If your student left something at home, we have a 'pick-up' table in front of the main office for those forgotten items. Students know to check the front table in between classes for their belongings. Thanks in advance.

Need some teacher and staff gift ideas from the PTO

The PTO has set up some staff wish lists for requested items to help with cold and flu season, help stock the staff lounge, and some big gift ideas for further enrichment in the classroom AND when you order from the wish list, the goods will be shipped directly to the school. Please have a look at this webpage: https://www.amazon.com/gp/ch/list/20-4016773/ref=smi_se_smi_rd_www?ie=UTF8&ref=smi_se_spo_icl_lol_tgt

Thank you,
The GVMS PTO



We recognize how easy it is for children to contact parents directly during school hours. However, if they are feeling ill and are asking to come home, they **MUST** make this request through the nurse. This GVSD protocol is for your child's safety.

Please remind him/her to get a nurse's pass from their teacher and come to the Nurse's Suite when feeling