

Oct. 11, 2019

Grover Middle School Weekly Update

Oct. 17 and 18: Early Dismissal for GMS for Parent/Teacher Conferences

PTSA News

- **GMS Scholastic Bookfair: Last day to shop is Monday, Oct. 14!** Please use the newest feature, eWallet digital payment for book fair purchases. Click [here](#) for additional book fair, class schedule and e-wallet details. Starting Oct. 7, we will be participating in **Scholastic's All for Books Coin Challenge** during the bookfair and raising money for: Christina Seix Academy, an independent preK-8th grade school for underserved students in Trenton and the vicinity. The school is building a library from the ground up and we would like to help put books in their library.
- **October Food Drive:** All month we will be collecting food for the Plainsboro Food Pantry. See [flyer](#) for details.
- **Staff Appreciation Pizza Lunch:** GMS PTSA is sponsoring a pizza lunch for the staff and would like some additional food and gift card donations to make the lunch extra special! [Sign up here if you can help with a donation.](#)
- **Student Council Halloween Dance: Friday, Oct. 25!** Volunteers are needed to oversee student council students selling tickets and chaperoning the dance. [Sign up here.](#)
- **Reflections Program - The deadline for entries is Nov. 6!** [Click here for the application.](#)
- **VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!** If you are interested in helping out in the **media center**, please [use this signup](#).
- Sign up for a GMS PTSA membership or just make a donation with Just Write a Check (JWAC) on [our website](#) or [send in the paper form](#) in an envelope to school with cash or check made payable to **GMS PTSA**.

Useful Links: This is your PTSA and we want to hear from you. Reach out to us with questions or comments!

[PTSA Email](#) | [Donate Online](#) | [PTSA Website](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Twitter](#) | [Amazon Smile](#) - 157261 Thomas Grover Middle School PTSA

SEPTSA

- SEPTSA is a districtwide PTSA supporting parents, guardians and students who receive special education, related services and accommodations for physical, emotional and or learning challenges.
- If you have a student with an IEP or a 504 plan and you missed our table at Back To School Night, click [here](#) for the membership form.
- **SEPTSA's First Parent Workshop** is Nov. 14, 7 p.m. at Community Middle School. Dr. Teresa Herrero Taylor, PhD BCBA-D, will present on the evaluation referral process and assessments (educational, psychological, speech-language) conducted by the child study team. Learn more about how testing determines special education eligibility and shapes IEP development.

Useful Links: [WW-P SEPTSA Facebook](#) | [WW-P SEPTSA Website](#)

School News

- Oct. 14 – Celebrate Socktober! Wear crazy socks today. Sock donations will be collected for the homeless.
- Oct. 14 - Photo Make-Up Day in the Theater
- Oct. 15 - School Musical "Freaky Friday" informational meeting after school in the Theater until 4 p.m.
- Oct. 15 – First Lego League meets in E138 until 5 p.m.
- Oct. 15 – Bucket Band meets in D149 until 4 p.m.
- Oct. 16 – PRISM for All orientation during FLEX
- Oct. 17, 18 - ½ Day Dismissal (12:12 p.m.) for Parent/Teacher Conferences

Reminders

- Check out the [Academic Calendar](#) to see upcoming dates.
- Check out the [Daily Announcements](#) on our website for dates, club and event announcements, information and more!

Athletics

- [Winter Sports Registration for middle school students](#) will open through Genesis 8 a.m. Oct. 7 and close 11 p.m. Nov. 4

Around the District News

- Mark your calendars for [Wicoff's Centennial Celebration](#) Oct. 12 from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.! Wicoff is encouraging families to carpool and park at the Plainsboro Plaza Shopping Center as parking will be limited on school and church property.
 - The annual [HSN vs. HSS Serve Up Hope Game](#) will be held on Oct. 14. All proceeds will benefit the Rainforest Alliance.
 - Register now for High School South's Math League sponsored WW-P Math Expo. This Oct. 26 event is open to students in grades 3-8. Click [here](#) for more information and to register.
 - Join us at the 11th induction ceremony of the WWPHS South Hall of Honor on Nov. 2! The hall of honor was founded to connect the past to the present and the future; in recognizing those who have brought honor to our school we keep alive the spirit of South. These honorees are an integral part of our history. Check out the [website for this year's inductees and to purchase tickets](#) or send a check (for \$25 made out to WWPHSS Hall of Honor) to Cathy Tantum at HSS.
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District Updates

- [District Website](#) | [Academic Calendars](#) | [Event Calendar](#)

Counseling and Wellness

- The WW-P College Fair will be held Wednesday, Oct. 16, 6-8 p.m. at High School South. Please visit the [district website](#) for a complete list of college representative that will be on hand.
- The first Parent University event of the school year will be held Thursday, Oct. 24, at 7 p.m. at High School South. The topic will be "The Road to Resilience: Developing a Growth Mindset." Please visit the district website for more information on this and other upcoming [Parent University Events](#).

Community Education

- Financial Strategies for Successful Retirement starts on Tuesday, Oct. 15. Parents are invited to come and learn about money management skills to set you up for a future beyond work. [Sign up with Community Education under the 2019-20 Adult & Youth Programs](#). Registration closes on Sunday, Oct. 13.
- Family Fun Friday is Oct. 18! Parents and children are welcome to join us for step-by-step canvas painting. You and your child will be creating coordinating

S'mores paintings. No artistic experience necessary. [Sign up with Community Education under 2019-2020 Adult & Youth Programs](#)

- Extended Day Program registration is ongoing throughout the school year! [Sign up when you need it.](#)

Community Events

- Are you looking for programs, clubs and things to do around WW-P? Check out the [community event section](#) on the district's website!

Food Services

- Make sure to download [Sodexo's So Happy app](#)! Download the app to view nutritional information, allergens and more. Check out the [menus](#) for October!

WW-P Board of Education

- Check out the upcoming [Board of Education Meetings](#) and materials.

WW-P Education Foundation

- Mark your calendars for the [WW-P Education Foundation's Julia Robinson Mathematics Festival](#) Oct. 19, 2019, at Grover Middle School. This event is broken up by grade level: grades K-3 will meet from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and grades 4-8 will meet from 2- 4 p.m.

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