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Happy New Year, Parents!

As we begin 2010 it is already time to begin marking your calendars for end-of-the-year events at GHHS. Here is a partial list of confirmed events and times. We shall update this calendar as the events draw closer, both in the Harbinger and on the website. As always, please call the school with questions you may have!

Sincerely,

Jesse Truett,  
Principal

March 15-19: OGT and Terra Nova Testing (Grades 9 & 10)

Saturday, April 17: Junior/Senior Prom at The Huntington Club @ OSU Stadium - 9:00 – midnight.

Sunday, May 2: Scholarship Dessert (GPA honorees), GHHS auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 12: Scholarship Assembly (local scholarships and college offers), GHHS auditorium, 7:00 p.m.

Sunday/Monday, May 23 & 24: Senior class trip to Cedar Point.

Tuesday, May 25: Senior service day.

Friday, May 27: Last regular class day for seniors.

Thursday, May 28: Senior exams, periods 5, 6, 7.

Tuesday, June 1: Senior exams, periods 1, 2, 3, 4. Graduation practice at 1:45. Last regular class day for underclassmen.

Wednesday, June 2: Final exams, periods 1, 4, 7.

Thursday, June 3: Final exams, period 2, 5.

Friday, June 4: Final exams, periods 3, 6.

Friday, June 4: Graduation Practice at 1:45

Sunday, June 6: Commencement, GHHS auditorium, 3:00 p.m.

## **JANUARY FACULTY MEETING**

The January faculty meeting will be held on Thursday, January 7. Lunch schedule for the faculty meeting is from 11:25 until 12:28.

## **MID-YEAR EXAM SCHEDULE**

Wednesday, January 13	Period 1 Exam	8:00 - 10:00
	Period 4 Exam	10:15 - 12:15
	Lunch	12:15 - 1:00
	Period 7 Exam	1:00 - 3:00
Thursday, January 14	Review	8:00 - 9:00
	Period 2 Exam	9:00 - 11:00
	Lunch	11:00 - 12:00
	Period 5	12:00 - 2:00
Friday, January 15	Review	8:00 - 9:00
	Period 3	9:00 - 11:00
	Lunch	11:00 - 12:00
	Period 6	12:00 - 2:00

## **2010 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

Members of the GHHS Key Club are selling the 2010 Entertainment Books, which contain many valuable coupons including restaurants (Buca diBeppo, Old Bag of Nails, Donatos, Dairy Queen, Qdoba, etc.), entertainment and sports (movie theaters, Dave and Busters, Magic Mountain, etc.), travel and hotels, retail and services. These books can be purchased for ONLY \$20. Supplies are limited, so contact a Key Club member or Mrs. Mendoza or Mrs. Urig at the high school.

## **GUIDANCE NEWS . . .**

### **CUMULATIVE GPA**

Grade Point Averages are figured twice a year – at semester time and at the end of the year in June. Report cards in January will have printed on them the accumulated GPA (including freshmen, sophomore, and junior year). This is the number the colleges look at – not individual nine-week grades. Students should continually work to improve their performance so that the GPA goes up over time.

### **AP COURSES**

Students who are in AP courses and plan to take AP exams in May must turn in the \$86 test fee by Monday, March 1 to Teresa Clayton in the main office.

### **GUIDANCE FINANCIAL AID**

Mark your calendars now! On Thursday, January 14, the guidance department will present their annual Financial Aid night at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library. Faith Phillips, from OSU Newark, will walk parents through the FAFSA form and answer questions regarding various financial aid packages. This meeting is not to be missed if you are a junior or senior parent and you are interested in receiving federal/state funds for college.

## **TESTING**

### **OHIO GRADUATION TEST**

This coming spring the Ohio Graduation Tests will be given to sophomores the week of March 15-19 shortly before spring break. If you have sophomore students, please make certain they attend that week, and not begin spring break early.

### **TERRA NOVA TESTS**

Also the same week freshmen will take the Terra Nova tests. We appreciate your help with encouraging good attendance that week.

### **FROM GUIDANCE**

#### **PSAT TESTS**

Juniors and sophomores received their score reports on December 17 in English classes. The answer document contains much information to help you and your student interpret the numbers given. The percentile bar graph at the top of the form indicates how well each student did compared to the over one million test takers nationwide. If you want to discuss the test in more detail, please contact the guidance counselors. Juniors are encouraged to sign up for college entrance tests in April, May or June. Go to [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) or [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) to sign up. Also check out the October Harbinger for specific dates.

#### **FREE ACT PREP SESSION – SATURDAY, JANUARY 23 AND MARCH 27**

DeVry University Center at Polaris, 8800 Drive, 43240 is offering two free ACT prep session from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. A free lunch is also provided. Sign-ups are limited to the first forty participants. In addition, a free financial aid session will be offered to parents from 9:00 until 10:00 am. To register contact Amy Hall at [ahall@devry.edu](mailto:ahall@devry.edu) or (614) 253-7291 ext. 1205.

#### **FAFSA FORMS FOR COLLEGE-BOUND SENIORS**

After January 1, 2010 parents of college-bound seniors can begin to fill out the FAFSA form. This is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Completion of this form is necessary if you request federal or state aid. You may apply online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). You will also need a PIN (Personal Identification Number) which will identify you. **STUDENTS AND PARENTS MAY APPLY FOR PIN NUMBERS IN ADVANCE OF FILLING OUT THE FAFSA AND IS ACTUALLY A GOOD IDEA TO DO SO AS IT TAKES 24 HOURS TO SECURE A NUMBER.** Apply for your PIN today at [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov).

The PIN is your electronic signature. PINs can be used for years to come. However, they expire with non-use after 30 months. If you have other children who are applying for student aid, your PIN can be used to sign all their FAFSA forms. Your students can also use their PINs to electronically sign loan promissory notes and view information about grants and loans received and the US Department of Education records. If you have questions about completing the FAFSA, call 1-800-4-FEDAID (1-800-433-3243)

#### **COLUMBUS ZOO SCHOOL**

Wanted for the school 2010-2011 school year: interested juniors and seniors who have a strong interest in the life sciences especially zoo-related careers and research. First year students spend the afternoon at the zoo and earn 3 credits while doing research and learning science in a non-traditional environment. This program is not funded by the schools and costs just under \$4,000 a year. Applications are in the guidance center and must be turned in (including essay and recommendations) by February 1, 2010. See your guidance counselor for more information.

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE**

##### **AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

This is an opportunity for continuing education for students already in college. If you have students who are sophomores, juniors or seniors who want to study abroad, this is a great opportunity. The Upper Arlington Rotary is offering their Ambassadorial Scholarship to complete a year of education to any country that has a Rotary program. There are Rotary chapters all over Europe so choices are many. This award covers round trip transportation, tuition, room and board and educational supplies and is worth up to \$26,000. Over the years Grandview has had only one student take advantage of this great opportunity. You can contact your counselors, go to [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) or contact Rotary member Homer Mincy at 457-7887. Students must complete an application and participate in the interview.

### **USA TODAY/AMERICA MILK PROCESSORS**

Offered by USA Today / American Milk Processors (the folks who bring you the "got milk?" moustache ads) is a \$7,500 scholarship for seniors.

- Twenty-five national athletes will be chosen
- Based on academic performance, athletic excellence, leadership and community service
- Go to: [www.sammy.bodybymilk.com](http://www.sammy.bodybymilk.com)
- Deadline is March 7, 2010

### **THE WINNERS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship is available for seniors who are interested in pursuing a teaching degree. Students must have a 3.5 GPA. Go to their website to apply: <http://winnersclubscholarship.visioncomm.net>. Applications are to be submitted between February 1, 2010 and April 15, 2010.

### **OHIO ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGIATE REGISTRARS AND ADMISSIONS OFFICES**

The Ohio Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Offices are offering six leadership and service scholarships worth \$500 each.

- Must complete application including lists of activities
- Must have a 2.75 GPA
- Must write a 300 word personal essay on a service experience. Students must mention how the community and individual benefited
- Two recommendations needed – one from a teacher/counselor and one from a community member
- Deadline is February 26, 2010
- See your counselor for applications or go to [www.ohioaacrao.org](http://www.ohioaacrao.org)

### **YOUNG BUCKEYES OF CENTRAL OHIO**

One Alumni scholarship is for \$3,000

- Students in the top 10% of class are eligible
- Must demonstrate involvement in school and activities
- Must file a FAFSA form
- Deadline is January 8, 2010

### **OSU ALUMNI CLUB OF FRANKLIN COUNTY**

The OSU Alumni Club of Franklin County is offering twenty-six scholarships of \$600 or more

- Top 25% of Class
- Involvement in school and activities
- Competitive GPA
- FAFSA form must be filed
- Additionally, 2 service scholarships of \$1,000 will be awarded. Again the FAFSA form must be filed. Applications are in the guidance center.

### **JOHN H. MCCONNELL SCHOLARSHIP**

The Blue Jackets Hockey Team have established a scholarship to honor it's founder. The intent is to reward seniors who demonstrate hard work, perseverance, leadership and community service up to \$10,000 in scholarships.

- Need transcript
- List of activities
- Work experience
- List of honors or awards
- Short answer and essay questions
- See your counselor for applications

### **MID-STATE EDUCATION CREDIT UNION SCHOLARSHIP**

Five scholarships award for \$2,000 each. The following information must be provided:

- List of activities
- Transcript
- Three letters of recommendation
- 500 word essay (chose one of four options)
- Applications are available in the guidance center or go to: [www.educ.org](http://www.educ.org).
- Deadline is February 6, 2010.

### **MENSA EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

- Must enroll in Post-Secondary Educational Institution in fall of 2010
- Essay required (no more than 550 words) describing applicant's career, vocational and educational goals
- Double spaced, one inch margins all around
- Deadline is January 15, 2010
- Applications available in guidance center

### **ESA SCHOLARSHIP**

Thirty-three scholarships are available (of which seniors can apply for three) and can be found at the following website - [www.esaintl.com/esaf/](http://www.esaintl.com/esaf/). Click on scholarship applications; click on lists of scholarships by state (Ohio); click on scholarship applications. Download applications or obtain one from the guidance department.

Students need:

- Personal letter
- Two letters of recommendation
- Transcript
- \$5.00 processing fee
- 3.0 GPA or higher
- Parents must complete financial information
- Deadline is February 1, 2010

**CENTRAL OHIO CHAPTER OF OHIO CREDIT UNION LEAGUE** is awarding six scholarships of \$1,000. After winning locally, students can compete for five statewide scholarships \$2,500 each. Two short answer questions and one essay are required (up to four pages) about the state of the economy and credit unions. Deadline is February 12, 2010.

### **AXA ACHIEVEMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP**

A \$2,000 scholarship is available for students who have ambition and drive, determination to set and reach goals, respect for self, family and community. Apply by February 15, 2010. Go to [www.axa-achievement.com](http://www.axa-achievement.com)

### **COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OF PAKISTANI AMERICANS**

Two scholarships of \$500 each are available

- Short application
- Letter of recommendation
- Essay "What impact has the geographic location of Pakistan made on the current situation of Pakistan"
- Go to website: [www.capaohio.org](http://www.capaohio.org) or pick up application in the guidance center
- Deadline is May 3, 2010

**US SCI SENATE CHARITABLE AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION** will award fifteen \$1,000 scholarships. Students must choose academic or need-based category. Requirements: financial statement, resume of leadership, honors, employment history, transcript and up to five letters of recommendation. A short personal statement (100 to 300 words) is also mandated indicating chosen field of study and reasons for choice. The deadline is January 8, 2010. Pick up applications in the guidance center.

**REMINDER:**

**CHRISTMAS BREAK – MONDAY, DECEMBER 21 THROUGH FRIDAY, JANUARY 1. SCHOOL WILL REOPEN MONDAY, JANUARY 4.**

**THERE IS NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY, JANUARY 18 FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY.**

**THERE IS NO SCHOOL ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 19 FOR END OF SEMESTER PROFESSIONAL DAY.**

**THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15 FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY.**

## Grandview Heights High School - January 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
					1	2 TBA GB V SW @ New Albany Dive Meet
3	4 Musical Rehearsals Begin 5:00PM B JH BKB @ Berne Union Middle School 5:00PM G JH BKB Berne Union Middle School	5 4:00PM GB V BOW Eastmoor at Western Lanes 4:30PM GB V SW Pickerington Central at Eldon Ward YMCA 6:00PM G JV BKB Fisher Catholic High School 7:30PM G V BKB Fisher Catholic High School	6 4:00PM GB V BOW Whitehall at Western Lanes	7 11:25AM GHHS Staff Meeting--Long Lunch for Students 5:00PM B JH BKB @ St. Mary's School 5:00PM G JH BKB St. Mary's School 5:30PM B JH W @ Tri at Westfall 6:00PM B V BKB Millersport High School	8	9 TBA GB V SW @ Ned Reed Invite at OSU 10:00AM B JH W Grandview Tournament 6:00PM G JV BKB @ West Jefferson High School 7:30PM G V BKB @ West Jefferson High School
10	11 4:00PM GB V BOW @ Jonathan Alder at Plain City Lanes 4:30PM GB V SW Wellington at Eldon Ward YMCA 5:00PM B JH BKB West Jefferson Middle School 5:00PM G JH BKB @ West Jefferson Middle School 6:00PM B JV BKB @ Berne Union High School 7:30PM B V BKB @ Berne Union High School	12	13 GHHS Semester Exams--Periods 1, 4, 7	14 GHHS Semester Exams--Periods 2 & 5 5:00PM B JH BKB @ Licking Heights Middle School 5:00PM G JH BKB Licking Heights Middle School 7:00PM FASFA Financial Aid Meeting	15 GHHS Semester Exams--Periods 3 & 6 4:00PM GB V BOW Worthington Christian at Western Lanes 4:30PM B V W @ Elgin Invitational 6:00PM G JV BKB @ Licking Heights High School 6:30PM G V GYM @ Buckeye Valley at Central Ohio Cheer & Gymnastics 7:30PM G V BKB @ Licking Heights High School	16 8:00AM B JH W @ at West Jefferson Tournament 9:00AM B V W @ Elgin Invitational 2:00PM GB V SW @ Viking Invitational at Circleville YMCA 6:00PM B JV BKB @ Fisher Catholic High School 7:30PM B V BKB @ Fisher Catholic High School
17	18 Martin Luther King Day--School Closed	19 Professional Day for Staff--No School For Students 4:00PM GB V BOW @ West at Hillcrest Lanes 6:00PM B JV BKB North Union High School 6:00PM G JV BKB @ Harvest Preparatory School 7:30PM B V BKB North Union High School 7:30PM G V BKB @ Harvest Preparatory School	20 4:00PM GB V BOW Westerville Central at Western Lanes	21 5:00PM B JH BKB Harvest Preparatory School 5:30PM G B BKB @ Harvest Preparatory School 6:00PM G JV BKB Liberty Union High School 7:30PM G V BKB Liberty Union High School	22 4:00PM GB V BOW Westerville Central at Western Lanes 5:00PM B V W Grandview Invitational 6:00PM B JV BKB @ West Jefferson High School 7:30PM B V BKB @ West Jefferson High School	23 9:00AM B JH W @ at Cardington Tournament 10:00AM G V GYM @ Kilbourne Invitational 10:30AM B V W Grandview Invitational 4:30PM GB V SW Heath at Eldon Ward YMCA
24	25 5:00PM B JH BKB @ Liberty Union Junior High School 5:00PM G JH BKB Liberty Union Junior High School 6:00PM G JV BKB @ Bloom Carroll High School 7:30PM G V BKB @ Bloom Carroll High School	26 4:00PM GB V BOW Westerville South at Western Lanes 6:30PM G V GYM Heath High School	27 4:00PM GB V BOW @ Westerville North at Capri Lanes 6:00PM B JV BKB @ Licking Heights High School 6:00PM G JV BKB Johnstown-Monroe High School 7:30PM B V BKB @ Licking Heights High School 7:30PM G V BKB Johnstown-Monroe High School 7:30PM GB V SW MSL Meet--Diving at Cols Aquatic Center	28 5:00PM B JH BKB @ Millersport Junior High School 5:00PM G JH BKB Millersport Junior High School	29 4:00PM GB V BOW @ Olentangy Liberty at Sawmill Lanes 5:00PM B V W @ Sally George Invite at Pleasant 7:00PM G V GYM @ Miami Trace at TBA 7:30PM G V BKB Millersport High School	30 9:00AM GB V SW @ MSL Championships at Columbus Academy 10:00AM B V W @ Sally George Invite at Pleasant 6:00PM B JV BKB Harvest Preparatory School 7:30PM B V BKB Harvest Preparatory School
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