



Principal’s Message

The GOMS staff is proud to announce the fourth year of the GOMS Positive Behavior Management System or PBIS. PBIS is a school management system that relies on consistent expectations taught to everyone on campus using positive clear statements. This is a data driven program that helps us track discipline on our campus and then take steps to solve problem behaviors. PBIS is a part of the GOMS Strategic Plan and is supported by the RUSD Strategic Plan. We will be highlighting different aspects of PBIS in our eblasts throughout the year.

Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS)

The way we do business at GOMS

A Quick Overview

PBIS is a school management system that relies on consistent expectations (The Falcon Creed and Behavior/Classroom Matrix) taught to everyone on campus (Area Lesson Plans) using positive clear statements. Behaviors are acknowledged (Fabulous Falcon) and are diligently recorded (Behavior/Referral Slip, SWIS record system) and actions to improve our school are implemented based on the data collected.

Our Falcon Creed

Falcons Are:

Respectful	Responsible	Resilient
Be courteous, kind, and cooperative with others	Be safe, dependable and trustworthy at all times	Be perseverant and work through challenges

Meaning that all GOMS students, faculty and staff will conduct themselves with this creed in mind. When speaking to others about what we expect use clear, consistent and positively stated expectations based on our creed.

I wish you and your families a wonderful and restful weekend!

Best regards,
Jay Holmes, Principal

Back to School Night – August 21, 2019 (6:30 pm to 8:00 pm)

This event is designed for parents only. Your student will bring home a personalized invitation with a schedule for you to follow and a map of the campus. Please make sure to look for the invitation from your student on August 19, 2019.

- If you are a parent of an ASB (Student Senate) you will meet in A6 at 6:15 - 6:25 p.m.
- If you are a parent of a Symphonic Band student you will meet in M-1 at 6:15 – 6:25 p.m.

Parents will visit their student’s classrooms as follows:

1 st period	6:30 – 6:40 p.m.
2 nd period	6:43 – 6:53 p.m.
3 rd period	6:56 – 7:06 p.m.
4 th period	7:09 – 7:19 p.m.
5 th period	7:22 – 7:32 p.m.
6 th period	7:35 – 7:45 p.m.
7 th period	7:48 – 7:58 p.m.

We look forward to meeting you!

Student Attendance

This year parents will be receiving a call at 10:30 a.m. for any student absent and not cleared and again at 6:30 p.m. at night. We are doing this to help provide a safe environment and alert parents. If parents call and clear the absence they will not be receiving a call. Call our Attendance office at 916-315-9009, ext. 4105.

Checking your student out during the school day:

If your student needs to leave school at any time during the school day they need to bring a signed note from their parent/guardian before school to the attendance office. They will be issued a slip to be released from class. Students can only be signed out by a parent, guardian, or person listed the Aeries Parent Portal Account and is at least 18 years of age. This policy ensures an uninterrupted learning environment and allows students to be waiting for you in the front office to be signed out.

If you do not send a note/communication to school to receive an early release note it may take time to locate your student due to the different academy rotation schedules. When checking your student into school, your student must go to the attendance window to fill out a slip before going into class.

Driving Caution during Drop Off and Pick Up

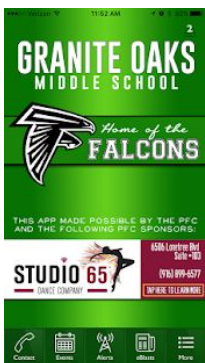
Please do not stop in the middle of the traffic lane or in the middle of the parking lot to let your student out. Please pull to the curb or into a parking spot. **Also, please do not park in the bus loop or block the bus loop driveways; this area needs to be kept clear for buses. Student drop off is not permitted behind the E Wing Building.**

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES - (Every Monday is Early Dismissal at 1:56 pm)

August	20	Picture Day
	21	Back to School Night – 6:30 – 8:00 pm
	23	Welcome Back Dance - 7:00 - 9:00 pm
	27	GOMS Parent Anti-Vaping Night - 6:30 - 7:30 pm, Multipurpose Room
September	2	LABOR DAY - NO SCHOOL

PICTURE DAY INFORMATION

Picture Day is next Tuesday, August 20th. Pictures will be taken during student's PE class. You can order your picture package online by going to <https://my.lifetouch.com/mylifetouch/> and using **Picture Day ID: CR049521Q0**. If you are not ordering online, be sure to bring your picture order form and money on Tuesday!



GOMS App

Our Parent Falcon Club (PFC) launched a custom mobile app for our school and it's full of useful information. It's never been easier to access event calendars, class information, lunch menus, bell schedules, district information, fundraisers, volunteer opportunities, and so much more! By installing our app, you will get important announcements and friendly reminders about what's happening at our school.

To download, search for our school or use these links to download our app today.

[Apple](#) OR [Android](#)

Granite Oaks Middle School

Strategic Plan 2015-2020

Mission Statement

Our mission at Granite Oaks Middle School, a leader in collaborative and dynamic learning, is to inspire all students to develop their unique abilities with a well-balanced, quality educational experience through high academic standards and diverse extra-curricular opportunities strengthened by engagement with our families and community.

Objectives

- A. By the end of the 2015-16 school year, 90% of students will demonstrate academic literacy in all classes.
- B. Each student will have increased access to social/emotional support by the end of the 2015-16 school year to foster positive character development.
- C. By the end of the 2017-18 school year, each student will demonstrate technological proficiency and digital citizenship to properly navigate educational platforms at Granite Oaks Middle School.
- D. The percentage of students participating in extra-curricular activities will increase annually.
- E. By the beginning of the 2015-16 school year, each student will have access to opportunities for better connection and engagement with our families and community.

Strategies

Strategy #1: We will use a variety of collaborative programs to support students with academics, social and emotional growth.

- Implement a school site mentoring program for at-risk students.
- Adopt a character building program that permeates entire campus culture.
- Utilize enrichment period to improve and expand standards based skills.
- Increase parent engagement to promote campus programs and activities.

Strategy #2: We will provide multiple pathways for students to engage in extra-curricular and community based activities.

- Enable and encourage all students to participate in extra-curricular and community based activities.
- GOMS has consistent proactive systems of clear communication that improve organizational efficiency, engage the community, and promote our school's extra curricular activities.
- GOMS's Extra Curricular Coordinator promotes, oversees, and organizes extra curricular ongoing activities, events, and community partnerships.

Strategy #3: We will continue to provide and implement technological advancements to meet the needs of our 21st century learners.

- Equip students with 21st Century technology skills.
- Train teachers to support technology goals for students.
- Increase access to hardware.
- Ensure easy access to student curriculum, grades and a learning management system.