



Principal's Message

We are entering into Spooky Week next week for all our students and staff. Please read below for guidelines to detailed rules for costumes at school. We will be allowing students to wear costumes on the Thursday and Friday before Halloween. It is entirely up to each student if they would like to wear or not wear a costume to school.

We are pleased to have students back on campus and learning within our amazing classrooms. Students are doing an excellent job wearing masks on campus and are doing much better with social distancing. Please do keep discussing how important social distancing is with your student so that we can continue to see improvement with social distancing on our campus.

Please be sure to give us a detailed reason for your student's absence if you are calling in your student as being ill. We need specific reasons for any student feeling ill in order to ensure that we are following all COVID-19 protocols. Students suffering from the following symptoms will be placed into the COVID-19 protocol and asked to isolate at home for 10 days or receive a negative COVID-19 test and be symptom free for 72 hours.

People with these symptoms may have COVID-19			Emergency warning signs
Fever (>100.4) or chills	Muscle or body aches	Sore throat	Difficulty breathing
Cough	Headache	Nausea	New confusion/delirium
Chills	New loss of taste or smell	Vomiting	Bluish lips or face
Fatigue	Congestion or runny nose	Diarrhea	Persistent chest pain or pressure

Any student who does not clear their absence before returning to school will be held in our health office until their absence is cleared. Any student experiencing COVID-19 symptoms will be placed into the COVID-19 protocol and sent home.

Site Council Information

The Site Council objective is to assist Granite Oaks Middle School in matters pertaining to the school and its educational program. Specific objectives include:

- A. Advising, recommending, and reviewing with the principal, teachers, other school personnel, parents, and pupils the implementation of the school improvement program and assess periodically the effectiveness of the program.
- B. Facilitating school and district communication with parents and community.
- C. Informing and advising school and district staff regarding community conditions, aspirations, and goals.
- D. Assisting in providing support to parents, teachers, students, and community for school programs.
- E. Involving citizens in a meaningful way in problems and important decisions confronting Granite Oaks Middle School.
- F. Foster relationships between homes, school, and staff.

If you are interested in serving on the Granite Oaks Site Council, please [APPLY HERE FOR SITE COUNCIL](#) by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, October 30, 2020.

Traffic/Student Safety

All students must cross the streets of Wyckford and Park at designated crosswalk areas. Recently, we have had students who have been running across both streets after school. This has led to near accidents and students who have nearly been hit by cars. We have notified RPD and have asked them to increase patrols in the area to ensure the safety of our students. For your child's safety it is imperative that you speak with your child and make sure that they cross any street around GOMS at a designated crosswalk.

Teacher Office Hours

Students are being encouraged to ask for help from their teachers during teacher office hours. Students can make an appointment to Zoom in and receive help from their teachers from 3:10pm to 3:40pm Tuesday through Friday. Our GOMS teachers are ready and available during this time to help all students with any questions or concerns they may have regarding our curriculum.

Physical Education Classes

The Physical Education department would like to remind parents that students have at-home workouts on their "asynchronous" days. Please monitor your student to make sure they are completing these important workouts!

GOMS Library

The GOMS library is open for all students to check out books, chromebooks, and have a place to work on homework. **The library hours will go from 8:15am to 2:50pm.** Student numbers will be limited within the library to follow our RUSD COVID-19 protocols. Students will be free to use the library during the morning, at lunch, and after school to complete homework, check out books and chromebooks. Please be sure to follow all social distancing protocols while using the library.

Halloween Costume Guidelines

With Halloween approaching, here are the guidelines if you are planning on wearing a costume to school:

- **Dressing up for Halloween is voluntary.** Students and staff who prefer not to dress up may choose that option.
- Costumes must be in good taste. No references to drugs, alcohol, tobacco, sex or violence will be allowed. Dresses must have at least a 2" strap at the shoulder.
- Students may not have blood displayed on their clothing or makeup.
- Halloween hair dye and makeup must be applied at home. NO hair dye or makeup may be brought to school. Any Halloween hair dye or makeup at school will result in an Administrative Referral to the office.
- Hats may be worn if they are part of a costume. Hats may not be worn if they are not part of a costume.
- Full face masks are not allowed. A mask covering only the area around the eyes is acceptable.
- No weapons or look-alike weapons of any kind may be brought to school. This includes plastic, wooden or other type of sword, dagger, knife, gun, etc. Any look-alike weapon will result in an Administrative Referral to the office.



On Thursday and Friday before Halloween, the focus for the day is still on learning. While we will have fun dressing up, students are reminded that we will continue to have regular classes and instruction all day long.

Let's have a good time with dressing up on Thursday and Friday before Halloween. If you have a question about your costume, tell a teacher or administrator what you plan to wear and let them decide if it is appropriate. Remember to keep all costumes in good taste.

NOTE: Full masks or animal heads will not be allowed at school. Anything that covers the head is a safety hazard and will need to be left in the office if worn to school.

GRANITE OAKS

SPIRIT WEAR

P.E. Period _____

(ALL ADULT SIZES)

HOODED SWEATSHIRTS (\$30)

YL_____ S_____ M_____ L_____ XL_____ XXL_____

COLOR: GREEN

T-SHIRTS (\$15)

YL_____ S_____ M_____ L_____ XL_____ XXL_____

COLOR: GREY

FACE MASKS (\$10)

YOUTH SIZE_____ ADULT SIZE_____

COLOR: BLACK

NAME_____ TOTAL AMOUNT \$_____

CASH OR CHECKS PAYABLE TO - G.O.M.S. (SORRY NO PAY-PAL AT THIS TIME)

GRANITE OAKS CANNOT EXCHANGE SIZES. We order what you order

DUE DATE IS 11/4. It takes about 3 weeks for clothing to come in after the due date.

Turn this Form into Mr. Ryan during P.E.

GRANITE OAKS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Red Ribbon Week

Oct 26 - PJ Day/Wear a Hoodie
OCT 27 - Sports Jersey/GOMS Spirit
OCT 28 - Sports Jersey/GOMS Spirit
OCT 29 - Halloween Costume/Wear
Orange and Black
OCT 30 - Halloween Costume/Wear
Orange and Black
Nov 2 - PJ Day/Wear a Hoodie
NOV 3 - Twin Day/Wear Red
Nov 4 - Twin day/Wear Red
Nov 5 - Academy Color Day
Nov 6 - Academy Color Day



Yearbook News

Granite Oaks Yearbook needs your help!

In the past few months, did your student take a trip? Take up a new hobby? Volunteer? If so, we need you! In this crazy year, it is more important than ever that Granite Oaks families share photos of their students and their stories. Sharing photos has never been easier - simply click on the secure link below. Follow the directions to upload photos to our GOMS image library.

Your help is greatly appreciated!

[UPLOAD YEARBOOK PHOTOS HERE](#)

Yearbooks are now on sale!

Please click on the link below to purchase your 2020-21 yearbook!

[ORDER YOUR 2020-21 YEARBOOK HERE](#)

Did you buy a yearbook last year?

If you did, but were unable to pick it up, please email Mrs. Willson to arrange for pick up.

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