



Dear GOMS Staff and Families,

October is here! Our first dance is tonight and will be full of Neon fun! The GOMS dance hours are from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Everyone is so excited to have our first dance in nearly two years! Please have a plan where to pick up your student when the dance is over at 9:00 p.m. The school dress code is in place for tonight as it is a school event on school campus.

October is National Bullying Prevention Month. A month-long event to prevent childhood bullying and promote kindness, acceptance, equity, and inclusion. GOMS has many fun and educational activities planned to help foster a kind and inclusive culture on our campus. This year's theme is "I'll Be There For You". It is important to send a unified message that no one deserves to be bullied since all students deserve to feel safe and supported. Please see our Bully Prevention Calendar located in this eblast for more information regarding our different events to promote treating all humans on our campus with kindness and compassion.

Have a great weekend!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Honegger and Mr. Holmes



**Picture Retake Day is Wednesday, October 6th**

Photos will be taken during lunch for new students, students who missed picture day, and students who wish to retake their photo.

You can order your picture package online by going to: <https://my.lifetouch.com/mylifetouch/#/> and using Picture Day ID: EVTHBKK3

Forms are also available in Student Services; if you are not ordering online, please make sure your students bring in their picture order form and money on Wednesday, October 6th!

**Dear 7th grade GOMS families,**

The Comprehensive Sexual Health and HIV Prevention Parent Preview Night is scheduled for October 26th, from 6:00-6:45pm. This will be a virtual event, with an option to simultaneously view hard copies of materials in the GOMS multipurpose room (See Parent/Guardian Notification Letter for more details).

Please use this link [Parent/Guardian Notification Letter](#) to:

- 1) View specific details about the event, including links to all items which will be discussed at the Parent Preview Night.
- 2) Request the [Zoom link](#) to attend the event virtually
- 3) Read and complete the opt-out form, should you prefer that your child NOT participate in the district-adopted curriculum this year. (No response is necessary if you do want your child to participate in the curriculum).



# Granite Oaks Middle School Parent Falcon Club

## PoP Fundraiser Update!

We are in Week 2 of our biggest fundraiser and nearing our goal! A huge 'Thank You' to our many generous donors, your gift will make a big difference for all our students!!!

If you haven't joined in, there is still time to participate to help our school! Your donation will fund technology, clubs, classroom needs and much more!

Sign up at: <https://www.stepitupkids.com/GraniteOaksMS95765/>

Need help? <https://www.pop4kids.com/golden-ticket-how-to>

We have more fun incentives in addition to the Day of Awesomeness:

- A Pizza Party for the top 7th and 8th grade homeroom classes with the highest donations.
- A raffle for 20 skip-the-line lunch passes for the winning student plus a friend! These passes are good for the rest of the year! Everyone who qualifies for the Day of Awesomeness is automatically entered in the raffle.
- The Day of Awesomeness will be on November 3rd! We will have Snowie King, a DJ Dance party, fun activities, inflatables and more chances to win other prizes for \$120+ in donations!

As a reminder, \$60 in donations is needed to qualify for Day of Awesomeness, please check your [students' account](#) to see if your student qualifies!

- October 4th is the last day to register and send invitations.
- October 7th is the last day to turn in donations.
- November 3rd is the Day of Awesomeness!

Email [graniteoaksPFC@gmail.com](mailto:graniteoaksPFC@gmail.com) with questions. Thank you again for your support!



## Panda Spirit Night

In addition to running into friends, we had a successful night and raised \$340.41 for our school! Thank you for your support!

Mrs. Miller, Ms. Willson and Drayton at Panda!



## **BOYS BASKETBALL TRY-OUTS**

**7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE**

**Granite Oaks Middle School**

**TUESDAY, October 5<sup>th</sup>**

7<sup>th</sup> GRADE 7:00-8:10 A.M.

**WEDNESDAY, October 6<sup>th</sup>**

8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE 7:00-8:10 A.M.

**THURSDAY, October 7<sup>TH</sup>**

7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE 7:00-8:10 A.M.

**FRIDAY, October 8<sup>th</sup>**

8<sup>th</sup> GRADE 3:30 - 4:30 P.M.

7<sup>th</sup> GRADE 4:30-5:30 P.M.

**MONDAY October 11<sup>th</sup>**

8<sup>th</sup> GRADE 3:00 - 4:00 P.M.

7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE 4:00 -5:00 P.M.

-ATHLETES NEED TO BE AT ALL TRY-OUT DATES, UNLESS CLEARED BY COACH

-PRACTICE WILL START TUESDAY, 10/12

-KIDS PLAYING TACKLE FOOTBALL, G.O.M.S. WILL BE ABLE TO WORK AROUND YOUR PRACTICE SCHEDULE

**\*\*\*-GRADE CHECKS DUE THE FIRST DAY OF TRY-OUTS\*\*\***

# Counselor Corner

October is Bullying Prevention Month! GOMS has many fun and educational activities planned to help foster a kind and inclusive culture on our campus. This year's theme is "I'll Be There For You".

## [Stompoutbullying.org](http://Stompoutbullying.org)

### WEEK 1

**10/4 - 10/8 Make friends with someone you don't know at school**

Monday - Teachers will hand out wristbands in Homeroom/Enrichment

Monday after school - ASB students will create chalk art around the campus with positive messages and inspirational quotes

Tuesday - Teachers hang anti-bullying pledge posters in class windows and encourage students to sign. Safe place/inclusion posters hung up in classroom windows



**10/6/21**

**Wednesday - Blue T-Shirt Contest. Highest numbers in both 7th and 8th grade Homerooms will be awarded a doughnut party.**

Wednesday/Thursday - Video/Kahoot in Enrichment classes

Friday - Fun Friday - ASB

Activity to promote Making Friends With Someone You Don't Know

### WEEK 2

**10/11 -10/15 - STAND UP for Others Week**

Friday 10/15 Merit Rally and ASB Lunch Fun Friday Activity to promote Standing Up for Others  
Dance Team and Band performance

### WEEK 3

10/18 -10/22 - Week of Inclusion

10/19 -10/21 - Principals' Bullying Prevention Assemblies

10/22 - Bullying Surveys in Elective classes

10/22 ASB: Fun Friday Lunch Activity to promote Inclusion



### Red Ribbon Week

**10/25-10/29 - Mr. Champ and ASB have many activities planned to promote a drug-free, safe environment. Mrs. Lema's Art students will be creating murals all week in the Amphitheatre.**

