GOMS Eblast 12-10-21

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December 17th - Minimum Day Schedule - Dismissal at 1:00 pm December 20th - January 3rd - NO SCHOOL - Winter Break

Dear GOMS Staff and Families,

Thank you to all of our families who donated to help GOMS students and families in need of support during our winter season. Your outpouring of support was amazing and will go a long way to making this holiday season one to remember. GOMS has families that are homeless, suffering from medical issues, and have lost sources of income. We also have many families who are suffering from the effects of COVID 19 related issues. We will still be accepting gift cards until Monday, December 13th in our GOMS Student Services office. Thank you for your support for our GOMS families.

Don't forget that you can have a free Chromebook for your student to use in their educational pursuits while in theRocklin Unified School District. Please see these links for more information about ordering a free Chromebook for yourstudent.FAQ - ECFECF Flyer for ParentsECF Paper Application

Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely, Mrs. Honegger and Mr. Holmes

Chromebook Giveaway!

RUSD has the opportunity to save hundreds of thousands of dollars by taking advantage of the Emergency Connectivity Fund (ECF) program. To do so, we need as many families as possible to complete the ECF request form (see below). This form is easy to fill out and will help us to keep our GOMS BYOD program moving forward. RUSD has already awarded over 2,700 computers to students and our aim is to distribute 6,800. Any family who has checked out a Chromebook from RUSD is urged to fill out this form to receive a Chromebook for their student to keep for their educational needs.

Please see the links below for more information about the ECF program:

FAQ - ECF ECF Elyer for Parents

ECF Paper Application



Sports

A huge congratulations to the 8th grade boys basketball team on winning the league championship on Thursday night against Eich Jr. High. The team ended up with a perfect 12-0 undefeated season. The players on the team were Josiah Andrews, Connor Bow, Kunjan Devkota, Jaxon Green, Connor Kostecki, C.J. Louis, Ramon Mattos, Marko Petrovich, Issac Seo, Reeve Slone, Blake Smith, Nathan Thorndyke, and Grady Willsher. Great job on an amazing season!

The 7th grade team had a great season as well but fell a little short in the Division Tournament to Antelope Crossing. The 7th grade ended up with an 8-2 record. The players on the 7th grade team were Madden Brennan, Cody Chamberlain, Muhe Chang, Olandrik Grossi, Malachi Kendall, Jace Marsh, Daniel Rivera, Devin Sanchez, Kenji Santos, Jason Taormino, Andrew Zarfos, Brady Wagner, and Dominic Waits. Great season guys! Dear Rocklin Unified Families,

Parent Information Night: Drugs and Social Media - Dec. 14; 6 - 8 p.m.

The purpose of this message is to share with you an opportunity to attend a Parent Information Night to become aware about how students purchase Drugs on Social Media, especially during the holiday season.

Nearly one year ago, Zach Didier, a Whitney High School student, lost his life after being approached by a drug dealer and sold counterfeit prescription pills. Zach's parents, Chris and Laura Didier, made it their mission to educate others about the risks of purchasing pills that may be counterfeit through social media and the alarming dangers of fentanyl poisoning.

The Didier Family and the Rocklin Unified School District are committed to working together to spread awareness of this danger with the goal of keeping all of our children safe and preventing another unfortunate incident occurring in our community. The Rocklin Unified School District is hosting a **Parent Information Night focused on Drugs and Social Media** on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at the Rocklin Event Center from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. The Didiers will join the Rocklin Police Department and members from Wellness Together, Placer County Office of Education, and RUSD to educate attendees of the increase in student drug use during this time of year, the risks of purchasing drug paraphernalia on the Internet, and the alarming dangers of fentanyl poisoning.

Please click here to RSVP: <u>https://forms.gle/QcwRqpjskdCUdEvA9</u>

Sincerely, Rocklin Unified School District

What: Parent Information Night: Drugs and Social MediaWhen: Tuesday, December 14, 2021, from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.Where: Rocklin Event Center, 2650 Sunset Blvd., Rocklin, CA 95677



Counselor Corner December 2021

Winter break is almost here and we hope you all will enjoy a relaxing holiday season filled with gratitude and hope. This school year has been exceptionally challenging for our students as they work through the experiences that come with being in middle school. Please encourage your student to keep working hard to finish the semester strong!

If your student needs extra support academically, personally, or socially, let us know. We are here to help!

Mental Health Resources

Please note that in the case of a mental health emergency, the best way to receive support immediately is to contact local emergency services.

If you or someone you know is at immediate and serious risk of harming themselves or someone else, Call 911.

Support and crisis lines:

California warmline - (855) 845-7415 or <u>www.mentalhealthsf.org/peer-run-warmline/</u> (if you prefer to chat)

The California Peer-Run Warm Line is a free, non-judgmental, non-emergency way for people with emotional or mental health challenges to get support from a peer who is trained to help. In response to the COVID-19 virus, it has expanded operations and is now open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

- Crisis support:
- \rightarrow National Suicide Prevention Crisis Line (800) 273-TALK (8255)
- \rightarrow Text the word "HOPE" to (916) 688-iCan (4226)
- \rightarrow The Trevor Lifeline (for LGBTQ A-Z Youth) (866) 488-7386
- \rightarrow The Teen Help Line (800) TLC-Teen; or 310-855-HOPE

<u>Placer County Children's Mental Health Services</u> <u>Each Mind Matters Covid 19 Information and Resources</u> <u>Holiday Stress Resource Center</u> <u>GOMS Counseling</u>

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Tressa Lindsey 8th Grade Counselor <u>tlindseyanderson@rocklinusd.org</u>

See's Candy for Music!

Thank you for your support! Together we made \$1045 for our music program. This will help fund new music sheets, repair and maintain school instruments.



November Staff Appreciation





Last month's Thanksgiving lunch was a staff favorite. We had many compliments and thanks for the delicious homemade and bought items. Thank you to all the volunteers and families that dropped off donations! We could not have done it without you!



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 email the photos to Ms. Willson at the email address below . Your help is greatly appreciated! Here is a list of some photos we're hoping to get:

- Summer vacation photos
- First Day of School
- All Fall sports Cross Country, Flag Football, Volleyball
- Families on the front -lines: pictures of first responders with their GOMS kids

Send your photos to: cwillson@rocklinusd.org

Yearbooks are now on sale! Please click on the link below to purchase your 2021-22 yearbook! ORDER YOUR 2021-22 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. <u>cwillson@rocklinusd.org</u> or 916.315.9009 ext 4028