



January 31st - Parent Preview Night Sexual Health Education

Dear GOMS Families,

We are sad to announce the loss of one of our longtime GOMS aides Ms. Karen Harper after a long illness. Karen was in the GOMS Nest for over 10 years as an instructional aide in our special education classrooms. Karen's bright smile and can-do attitude will be forever missed on our campus. Karen's husband, Mr. Kris Harper is the longtime Music Director at Whitney High School. We would like to extend our deepest sympathies to Karen's family and friends. We were indeed lucky to have Karen on our staff helping so many students succeed over the last 10 years.

All the best,  
Mr. Anaya and Mr. Holmes



Karen, Kris and family.

**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 your photos!! 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:

- Students with their pets
- Student artwork
- Wrestling
- Girls Basketball
- Holidays at home
- GOMS sibling pairs

Send your photos to: [cwillson@rocklinusd.org](mailto:cwillson@rocklinusd.org).

Yearbooks are now on sale! Please click on this [link](#) to purchase your 2022-23 yearbook.

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**Comprehensive Sexual Health & HIV Prevention Education**  
**ATTENTION: 7th Grade Families**

**COMPREHENSIVE SEXUAL HEALTH AND HIV PREVENTION EDUCATION Parent Preview Night:** This week, all GOMS 7th grade Science students were given an [informational handout](#) which describes the RUSD-adopted “Positive Prevention Plus” sexual health curriculum.

A parent preview night will be held Tuesday, January 31, 2023 from 6 - 6:45pm via a Zoom format. [If you are interested in attending the virtual meeting, please complete and submit this form](#), in order to receive a link to join the virtual meeting. Additionally, hard copies of lesson materials will be available for viewing at this time in the GOMS library, if you prefer to view them in person. There will also be a hard copy of lesson materials available for viewing in the main office at GOMS until February 28, 2023.

If, after reading the handout and/or attending our parent preview night, you would prefer your child **NOT** participate in the curriculum at GOMS, please sign and return the “opt-out” section at the end of the document to your child’s Science teacher.

ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

**PARENT/GUARDIAN NOTIFICATION LETTER FOR GRADES 7-12**  
**COMPREHENSIVE SEXUAL HEALTH AND HIV PREVENTION EDUCATION**

The California Healthy Youth Act: EDUCATION CODE §§ 51930-51939  
(2 page document)

January 10, 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian:

California state law, the California Healthy Youth Act, requires that comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education be provided to students at least once in middle school and once in high school starting in grade 7. **Rocklin Unified School District students in grade 7 and 9 will be provided this instruction.**

Underlying this course, is the following philosophy that guides the teacher and curriculum:

**The Rocklin Unified School District Comprehensive Sexual Health/HIV Prevention Education will present age appropriate, factual information based on current scientific evidence which empowers the student to follow a course of abstinence and other healthy sexual attitudes and behaviors, and recognizes the family as the primary provider of sex education.**

Instruction must encourage students to communicate with parents, guardians or other trusted adults about human sexuality. Instruction must be medically accurate, age-appropriate and inclusive of all students. It must include the following:

- Information about HIV and other sexually transmitted infections (STIs), including transmission, FDA approved methods to prevent HIV and STIs, and treatment
- Information that abstinence is the only certain way to prevent unintended pregnancy and HIV and other STIs, and information about the value of delaying sexual activity
- Discussion about social views of HIV and AIDS
- Information about accessing resources for sexual and reproductive health care
- Information about pregnancy, including FDA approved prevention methods, pregnancy outcomes, prenatal care, and the newborn safe surrender law
- Information about sexual orientation and gender, including the harm of negative gender stereotypes
- Information about healthy relationships and avoiding unhealthy behaviors and situations

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You can also examine preview materials and unit overviews using the links provided below. If you have questions, please contact the teacher or principal/administrator.

- [Positive Prevention Plus Curriculum Overview](#)
- [Positive Prevention Plus Parent Resources](#)
- [RUSD Comprehensive Sexual Education \(CSE\) Resource](#)
- [Positive Prevention Preview copy](#)

You may request a copy of the California Healthy Youth Act (California Education Code Sections 51930-51939) by contacting Granite Oaks Middle School at 916-315-9009 or [https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill\\_id=201520160AB329](https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB329)

This instruction will begin no earlier than February 28, 2023. State law allows you to remove your student from some or all of this instruction. If you do not want your student to participate in comprehensive sexual health or HIV prevention education, please provide a written request to your child's science teacher by February 28, 2023.

**Note: After previewing the curriculum and/or speaking with staff, if you do not wish your student to participate in Comprehensive Sexual Health/HIV Prevention Education, you must return the section below, signed by you, indicating you do not give permission by February 28, 2023.**

**If the section below is not filled out completely your child will participate in the district-adopted curriculum.**

**This form does NOT need to be returned if your child is allowed to participate in the district-adopted curriculum.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **No, I do not give permission** for my student to participate in the full Comprehensive Sexual Health/HIV Prevention Program.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please contact me so that we can further discuss my questions.

Print Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Print

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Preferred Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sincerely,



Jay Holmes, Principal  
Granite Oaks Middle School

## Counselor Corner - January 2023



This is an exciting time for our 8th Grade students, as high school registration is coming up in February! Check out the following dates for an overview of the process.



### High School Information and Dates

Date	Event	Location
Jan 25-26	GOMS Counselors' Pre-HS presentation to 8th grade students	Enrichment period
February 3	In-person Course Registration Information presentation from the WHS/RHS School Counselors Course Request Forms handed out to students during Enrichment period	Adjusted Enrichment period times
February 6th	<b>Showcase Night:</b> In-person  More details to come once available	Rocklin High School Whitney High School
February 7-17th	Aeries Portal is <b>Open</b> for online course requests	
February 13-17th	Granite Oaks Counselors available during 8th grade lunch to assist with course registration	Library Conference Room
February 17	<b>Aeries Portal Closes</b>  <b>Signed</b> , Course Request Forms <b>are due</b> to Enrichment/HR teacher	Homeroom/ Enrichment

#### INTRA/INTER DISTRICT TRANSFER INFORMATION

**INTRADISTRICT:** Students wishing to move between Rocklin Unified Schools must complete an [INTRADISTRICT TRANSFER](#) . Students requesting a transfer will be considered by the administration on an availability basis.

**INTERDISTRICT:** Students wishing to transfer out of RUSD school must complete an [INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER REQUEST](#)

You can find additional information regarding Intra and Inter District transfers on the Rocklin Unified School District website: [Rocklin Unified School District - Inter/Intra Attendance Permits](#)

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## Student Report Card Grades

Your student's grades are now available online through the RUSD Aeries Parent Portal. Student Report Cards WILL NOT be mailed home to families via US mail. Please access your student's grades using the RUSD Aeries Parent Portal. To view/print student report cards:

1. Sign in to Aeries Parent Portal by entering your email address and password: [Aeries Parent Portal](#)
2. Choose Student Name
3. Choose Grades
4. Choose Report Card History
5. Click on 1st Semester 2022-2023
6. Click on English (or specified language) in the report card column



## RUSD Student Chromebook Announcement

We live in a world where our network is constantly tested and attacked from not only the outside, but unfortunately from within also. Rocklin Unified School District is committed to providing a secure network and district online resources to support learning and protect our students' data. **Because of this all students must have a managed Chromebook for use in class beginning January 30, 2023. Students should no longer use personal devices, like Macbooks or PC's, after this date.** For more information, families can go to our [Technology Services Family Resource page](#).

All students will have to choose one of these three options:

1. Complete an [ECF application](#) for a new device
2. Check out a current RUSD Chromebook - for families who do not wish to check out an ECF device. Please contact David Jurgeit at [djurgeit@rocklinusd.org](mailto:djurgeit@rocklinusd.org) if you would like to check out a RUSD Chromebook
3. [Install a Google Management](#) License on a [personal Chromebook](#). For questions regarding installing personal chromebook licensing contact David Jurgeit at [djurgeit@rocklinusd.org](mailto:djurgeit@rocklinusd.org)

**All RUSD students must have either a ECF Chromebook, a previously used RUSD Chromebook, or apply the license to their personal Chromebook by January 30, 2023.**

### Resources:

[ECF Application](#)

[Install a Google Management](#)

[Personal Chromebook](#)

## California Junior Scholarship Federation



### Attention 7th & 8th Grade Scholars

The Granite Oaks chapter of the California Junior Scholarship Federation (CJSF) is now accepting applications for spring membership. The purpose of CJSF is to foster high standards, service and citizenship for middle school students. To qualify for CJSF, applicants must meet the following:

1. All grades earned from the fall 2022 semester must be "C" or better.
2. Eligibility is based on CJSF's point system. To be eligible, a student must have at least twice the number of points as classes. An "A" = 3 points, a "B" = 1 point, and a "C" = 0 points. Enrichment, Leadership, and P.E. **do not** count as academic subjects.
3. Advanced Math 7 Classes: "A" = 3 points, a "B" = 2 points, and a "C" = 0 points.
4. **Applicants must have maintained 85 or more merits throughout the two previous quarters.**
5. Applicants should be willing to participate in volunteer service activities for their school and community while members of CJSF. The minimum requirement is 2 hours of school service per semester.

Applications can be picked up in Student Services or in rooms C5 (8th gr.) and C8 (7th gr.).

### Application Deadline:

- **7th Grade**
  - **by Friday, February 3, 2023, in room C8 (Ms. Willson)**
- **8th Grade**
  - **C5 (Mrs. Louie)**
  - **by Friday, January 27, 2023, in room C5 (Mrs. Louie)**

Please email Ms. Willson at [cwillson@rocklinusd.org](mailto:cwillson@rocklinusd.org), or Mrs. Louie at [slouie@rocklinusd.org](mailto:slouie@rocklinusd.org) with any questions. You can also download the application [here](#).



# GRANITE OAKS

## Parent Falcon Club



The Granite Oaks Parent Falcon Club is revving with excitement as we kick off 2023. A new year = new possibilities. We have a long list of opportunities to support GOMS and the PFC in 2023 and hope that you will continue to support us by volunteering your time, donating to the monthly teacher appreciation breakfasts/lunches, and supporting the monthly dining out fundraisers. We will also have our main fundraiser in March. More info to come.



### Dining out: Panda Express - January 25, 2023

Join us for our January Dining Out fundraiser for Granite Oaks Middle School. This ALL DAY fundraiser is a great way to help GOMS fund a variety of on campus upgrades this spring. GOMS PFC will receive 20% of all event sales - all you have to do is just show the flyer or order on the app and enter 348909 in the fundraiser code box!

For more information, visit us on [Facebook](#)



### Dining out: Mountain Mike's Pizza

Our February Dining Out fundraiser will be at Mountain Mike's Pizza in Rocklin (5505 Whitney Blvd) on February 22, 2023 from 4:00-9:00 pm. Be sure to tell them you're there to support Granite Oaks! For more information, please visit us on [Facebook](#).

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