

## GOMS Eblast 12-9-22



**December 22nd - Minimum Day, Dismissal at 12:30pm**

**December 23rd through January 6th - NO SCHOOL - Winter Break**

Dear GOMS Families,

Ms. Lema has been recognized by the Placer County Office of Education as the 2022 Teacher of the Year. We have been extremely lucky to have Ms. Lema on our campus bringing art into the lives of our students for the past 21 years. Ms. Lema is an amazing teacher and has been an inspiration to thousands of Rocklin students. We would like to thank Ms. Lema for all the hard work and leadership that she has provided for GOMS students, staff, families and city of Rocklin. Please take a moment to view [this video production](#) honoring our amazing art teacher Ms. Lema.

We would like to remind all of our families that the last day of our second quarter and first semester is Thursday, December 22nd. Please sit down with your student and review their progress in classes on Schoology. Students who may need extra help are encouraged to utilize their Enrichment period to receive guidance and support from their teachers.

Finally, GOMS staff are sponsoring our annual giftcard drive to solely support GOMS families in need. Please look below for more information regarding how you can support families in distress in our community.

Have an amazing weekend with your family!

All the best,  
Mr. Anaya and Mr. Holmes

### Parent Information Night

The purpose of this message is to share with you an opportunity to attend a Parent Information Night jointly hosted by RUSD and the City of Rocklin to spread awareness about the fentanyl epidemic and how it impacts our youth, especially during holiday breaks.

Nearly two years ago, Zach Didier, a Whitney High School student, lost his life after being approached by a drug dealer that sold him counterfeit prescription pills through a social media platform. 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 and the City of Rocklin are partnering to host a 1 Pill Can Kill Placer Fentanyl Parent Information Night [Flyer] at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 15, 2022 at Whitney High School's Performing Arts Center.** Laura Didier will be joined by Laura Collanton, another parent impacted by fentanyl, the Mayor of Rocklin, the Rocklin Police Department, the Placer County District Attorney's Office, and members from Wellness Together, Granite Wellness Center, and RUSD to educate attendees of the increase in student drug use during this time of year, and the risks of purchasing drug paraphernalia on the Internet. Please click here to RSVP:

[1PillCanKillPlacerWHS.eventbrite.com](https://1PillCanKillPlacerWHS.eventbrite.com)

# 1PILL CAN KILL PLACER

## PARENT INFORMATIONAL NIGHT

Please join us for an informational session to raise awareness with our teens of **fentanyl poisoning**, hosted by the Placer County District Attorney's Office.




**WHEN:** December 15, 6:30-8 p.m.

**WHERE:** Whitney High School  
Performing Arts Center, 701 Wildcat Blvd., Rocklin

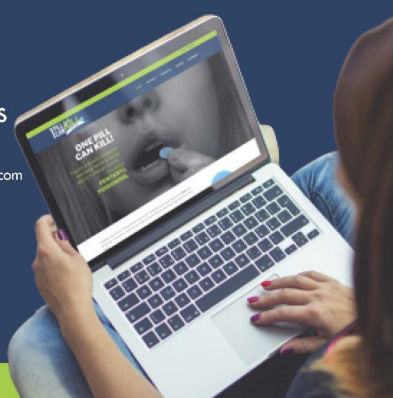
**WHAT :** Our goal is for the community to become:

- Aware
- Educated
- Influencers

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**CONSENT FOR THE CALIFORNIA HEALTHY KIDS SURVEY**  
**2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR-- SECONDARY**

Dear Rocklin Unified School District Parent or Guardian:

Your student is being asked to be a part of Rocklin USD's California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS) sponsored by the California Department of Education. This important survey will help promote better health and well-being among our youth, improve the school learning environment, and combat problems such as drug abuse and violence. *Your child does not have to take the survey.*

**Survey Content.** The survey gathers information on developmental supports provided to youth; school connectedness and barriers to learning; school safety; health-related concerns such as physical activity and nutritional and sleep habits; alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use; risk of depression and suicide; and perceived sexual orientation.

You may examine the questionnaire in your child's school office or at [www.rocklinusd.org](http://www.rocklinusd.org)

The results from this survey are compiled into district- and county-level CHKS Reports. To view a copy of RUSD's or Placer County's report, go to <https://calschls.org/reports-data/search-lea-reports> and search for our district.

**It is Voluntary.** Students who, with your permission, agree to participate do not have to answer any questions they do not want to answer, and may stop taking the survey at any time.

**It is Anonymous.** No names are recorded or attached to the survey forms or data. The results will be made available for analysis only under strict confidentiality controls.

**Administration.** The survey will be administered **December 1 - 16, 2022**. It will take about one class period to complete (about 50 minutes).

**Potential Risks.** There are no known risks of physical harm to your child. Risks of psychological or social harm are very small. None have been reported in over 20 years of administration. In rare instances, questions may create discomfort. The school's counseling services will be available to answer any personal questions that may materialize.

**For Further Information.** The survey was developed by WestEd, a public, non-profit educational institution. If you have any questions about this survey, or about your rights, please contact Hannah Anderson, Director of Innovation, School Programs, and Accountability, at (916) 630-3306 or [handerson@rocklinusd.org](mailto:handerson@rocklinusd.org).

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### **CHKS Withdrawal Form**

If you do not want your child to participate in the California Healthy Kids Survey, please complete this form and return it to your child's school front office **by December 9, 2022**.

By returning this form, I **do not give permission** for my child to participate in the CHKS.

My child's name is (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



### Gift Card Drive for Families in Need

During these extremely challenging times, we have found that there is a substantial increase in family/student need for many of our students here at Granite Oaks Middle School. As the Holiday Season approaches, we ask that you please remember our most needy students in your holiday plans. To this end, the GOMS staff would like to ask that you please consider setting aside part of your holiday budget to help make the Holiday Season a little brighter for these families. From November 28th through December 14th, we will be holding a **Gift Card Drive** to help support our families in need. We will be collecting gift cards from local grocery stores, Target, Walmart, etc. to donate

to our various families. Throughout the school year, our staff has interviewed our families in need and will be matching donated gift cards to these families to fulfill their needs over the Holiday Season.

We realize that not everyone can contribute to helping those in need and do not want to place any undue pressure on families to participate in our drive. Our goal is simply to give our GOMS families an avenue to help other families in need. All donations can either be turned into GOMS Student Services or to your student's Homeroom/Enrichment teacher. We kindly ask that any donations be in a physical gift card form versus an E-gift card. We appreciate any help you can give to our GOMS families in need this Holiday Season.

### Sports News

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to the 8th grade Boys Basketball team on winning the League Championship on Thursday beating E.V. Cain 65-41. The team played great all season and had an overall record of 11 wins and 1 loss. Granite Oaks beat Chilton and Antelope Crossing in Wednesday's Division Tournament. All impressive wins! The team worked hard all year and deserve to be recognized. The players are: Andrew Zarfes, Cody Chamberlain, Gavyn Dulaney, Malachi Kendall, Devin Sanchez, Cyrillo Wangwe, Cameron Taylor, Olandrik Grossi, Zach Graves, Brady Wagner, Kenji Santos, Dominic Waits, Daniel Rivera, and Jason Taormino.

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# GRANITE OAKS

## Parent Falcon Club



### Dining Out Fundraiser Chipotle

What a GREAT way to start our last week before Winter Break - NO COOKING! We are excited to partner with Chipotle (in the Nugget shopping center) to help raise funds for GOMS. They are donating **33% of event sales** to GOMS PFC!


Tuesday, December 20 from 5-9pm  
781 Pleasant Grove Blvd, #140 (Nugget Shopping Center)

**Order online or in the app.** Use this code **NDP9AXG** or show the flier below in the restaurant.

Click [here](#) for more information.

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For online orders to count towards the fundraiser, they must be placed for pickup only from the restaurant location of, and during the hours of, the fundraiser. Delivery orders and gift cards do not qualify. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

### Sponsor Feature

Introducing



**ALEXANDER & MARTIN  
ORTHODONTICS**

We are so excited to introduce you to one of GOMS' sponsors: Alexander & Martin Orthodontics! A&M is a long time supporter of not only Granite Oaks Middle School - Parent Falcon Club but many of our local elementary schools as well. If you are considering orthodontics for either your child or you (they are great with adults too), please consider giving them a call. Be sure to tell them that you are a GOMS student and thank them for supporting our school.

Here's a little more about them - straight from their webpage: "No more discomfort. Our practice is all about making treatment as fun and easy for our patients as possible. Hence, we use impressionless scanning technology to provide high-quality results with uncompromised comfort. Impressionless scanning allows faster and less invasive results. As a result, we are able to provide same-day retainers and save you the hassle of making repeated visits at the office."