



## **“Ram Report” April 5, 2019**

### **Week in Review**

- “Men Who Cook” our annual GMPA Benefit Dinner & Raffle was held at GJSHS on Saturday, March 30, 2019. Thank you to all those who volunteered their time to put on this great event!
- [Distractology](#) was at GJSHS this past week. We had over 25 students participate in the simulator throughout the week.
- We started a new round of TAB training on Wednesday, April 3rd. This was the first day of a two day training.
- Seniors once again went to the [Credit For Life](#) financial literacy fair at Holyoke Community College on Thursday, April 4th.

### **Shoutouts**

- Congratulations to our [Students of the Month](#) for the month of April. This month we are celebrating Tia Looney (7th Grade), Heather Guerard (8th Grade) and Liberty Conlin (High School).

### **Things to know...**

- We are looking for donations of tissues for our classrooms at Granby Jr/Sr High School. If you are interested in donating, please send in tissues with your child or bring them to the health clinic. Thank you.
- For those families participating in the Granby-to-Go program, please bring in your fabric bags each week to the clinic. It is important the bags are returned so we can continue filling them with food each Friday. Thank you!
- In partnership with the Granby Police and Fire Departments, school officials are planning a variety of lockdown, shelter in place and evacuation drills which is part of the district’s Emergency Operations Plan. These drills are intended to help staff and students practice and review emergency response protocols so we are prepared in the event of an emergency. After all drills we will inform parents/guardians via phone call and/or email that a drill was conducted. Key emergency operations actions that will be used can be found [here](#); these are also posted in all classrooms.
- AP exam fees are due no later than May 1st. Please see Mr. Sullivan or Mrs. Tease with questions.

- Pioneer Valley Driving school is planning to offer classes at GJSHS during the April Beak. Currently, there are only 2 people signed up. Unless they get more students to sign up they will have to cancel this offering. For more details, please contact Pioneer Valley Driving School 413.253.7432.
- Junior High MCAS Dates: April 23/24 (ELA grade 7) April 25/26 (ELA grade 8)
- Join the [Ronald McDonald House of Springfield](#) for our **2nd Annual Red Shoe Run to be held on Saturday, April 27th, 2019!** This 5K walk/run will kick off at the Ronald McDonald House of Springfield, before climbing up Chapin Terrace, winding through Van Horn Park, then returning down Chapin Terrace to end at the House.

### **Look Ahead**

- Friday, April 12th is an early dismissal for students. Students will be dismissed at 11:00AM.
- We are having another Spirit Week at GJSHS next week. There are themes each day and the week will conclude with a Student vs. Faculty basketball game and other events on Friday, April 12th. Please refer to the signs posted throughout the building as to each day's theme, keeping in mind the school's dress code policy. Monday, 70's to 80's Day; Tuesday, Tropical Day; Wednesday, Career Day; Thursday, Meme Day; Friday, Jersey Day.
- School is closed the week of April 15-19 for April "Spring" Break. Students return on Monday, April 22nd.
- Student advisory council will meet on Monday, April 8th during D block in the cafeteria.
- Audrey O'Connor (Class of 2020) is organizing a community "clean up" on Saturday, April 20th--Earth Day. Please click [here](#) for more information. We hope you will consider supporting Audrey with this great project!
- The second day of TAB training will be on Tuesday, April 9th.
- Juniors' are attending a College Fair at the Eastern States Exposition on Monday, April 8th.
- GJSHS staff has a faculty meeting on Monday, April 8th at 2:10P in the GJSHS library.
- Chartwells will be conducting a food service survey on Thursday April 11th, 2019 for GJSHS students in the cafeteria. Students are encouraged to complete the survey. Once complete, students will be eligible to enter a raffle to win I-Tunes giftcards.
- There is a Mentor/Mentee meeting on Tuesday, April 9th in the East Meadow library. This meeting is required for first year teachers and their mentors.
- Junior High Six Flags [Field Trip](#) information

### **Student Support Suite**

- This list will continue to grow, but to date GJSHS students have been accepted to Wentworth Institute of Technology, University of New Hampshire, Endicott College, Westfield State University, Holyoke Community College, American

International College, Western New England University, Emerson College, University of Nevada-Reno, University of Massachusetts--Amherst, University of Vermont, University of Rhode Island, Worcester State University, Keene State College, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Charleston Southern University, Arizona University, Springfield College, University of Tampa, Florida Atlantic College, Roger Williams University, Bryant University, University of Illinois at Chicago, Depaul University, Manhattan College, Loyola University--Chicago, California State--Long Beach, San Jose State University, California State--Northridge, Johnson and Wales University, University of Michigan, University of Connecticut, Rollins College, Assumption College, Framingham State University, Assumption College, Geneva College, University of Pittsburgh, College of the Holy Cross, Allegheny College and we're looking forward to hear from others soon!

### **Resources, Supports and other things of interest...**

- Here are some [Facts About American Schools](#).
- The nursing department is sharing information on the dangers of distracted driving. This is part of their ongoing efforts to provide information about technology and the potential dangers and benefits that come with it. Click [here](#) to read more.

### **Athletics**

- Please download the MIAA app for up-to-date details on athletics.
- Spirit Wear is in...stop by Ms. Jordan's office to pick them up
- Attention GJSHS: The MIAA is hosting a Leadership Conference on April 26th, 2019 at Hampshire Regional High School. [INNER EDGE](#) *provides a one-day forum where academic and athletic student leaders receive a customized, intensive training that introduces and reinforces basic leadership and life skills to assist them in maximizing their contribution to their teams, school and community. Curriculum is experiential-based, relying on "shared" learning to impact and empower the participants. The training stresses personal growth through individual and team challenges that focus on communication, the value of building relationships, making healthy life choices and fun!* Click Here for more information. If you are interested in attending, please see Mrs. Jordan.
- Boys lax pictures will be held on April 8th.
- Download the MIAA for up-to-date schedule information