

“Ram Report”

April 6, 2018

Week in Review

- Thursday, April 5th the Class of 2018 attended a financial literacy fair--[Credit for Life](#)--at Holyoke Community
- Friday, April 6th GJSHS had a Fire Evacuation Drill. It was another successful drill and we will continue to use these drill to improve our response to these types of situation.
- Grades for the 3rd quarter are scheduled to close on Tuesday, April 3rd.
- Report cards were distributed to students on Friday, April 6th.

GJSHS “Shoutouts”:

- Members of the *GJSHS Class of 2018* have been accepted to the following colleges/universities (this is not an exhaustive list):
 - *Smith College*
 - *University of Massachusetts--Amherst*
 - *College of Charleston*
 - *Holyoke Community College*
 - *Westfield State University*

In the News: Check out the links below...East Meadow Students Design Flag for 250th Celebration

<https://view.publitas.com/turley-publications-1/sn04-05-18/page/6-7>

Things to know....

- Big Y's Education Express is a family program to help local schools get free equipment and supplies. You can click [here](#) for more information. It should only take a few minutes to log in and select your school, as long you already have an account. Otherwise, an account would need to be set up, and then the school may be selected.

- Click the “[Senior Events](#)” link for information about the senior class trip, class dues and more. This [link](#) has the due dates for Senior fundraisers.
- 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. Click [here](#) to view a letter regarding lockdown drills and emergency operation procedures.
- Friendly reminder: No food allowed in computer labs.

Look Ahead

- Students in grades 6-12 will all view [Screenagers](#) on Friday, April 13th. This is part of our work to educate students, families and the community about technology addiction and the impact it can have on individuals and families. The viewing will be followed by a grade level discussion in students’ advisories.
- GJSHS staff has a faculty meeting on Monday, April 9th at 2:10P.
- GJSHS staff has a school-wide Hour of Power on Wednesday, April 11th.
- GJSHS school council is scheduled to meet Wednesday, April 11th at 3:30P in the GJSHS Library/Media Center.
- April school vacation is April 16-20th.
- Pioneer Valley Driving School is offering Driver’s Ed classes at GJSHS during the April Vacation. Students can stop by the main office for more information.
- The Autism Awareness Volleyball Tournament is Friday, April 13th. Students who would like to participate should see Mrs. Dufresne or Mrs. Mahoney. The cost is \$30 per team.

Student Support Suite

- Scholarship opportunities are beginning to come in. Seniors should check the listings outside of the Student Support Suite and the cafeteria hallway, as well as the Guidance [webpage](#).
- 7th & 8th Grade MCAS will all be computer based testing beginning in April. See schedule below.

ELA

Grade 7 April 24, 25

Grade 8 April 26, 27

MATH

Grade 7 May 7, 8

Grade 8 May 9, 10

SCIENCE

Grade 8 May 22, 23

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

- [Screenagers](#) is an award winning film that probes into the vulnerable corners of family life and depicts messy struggles over social media, video games and academics. The film offers solutions on how we can help our kids navigate the digital landscape (screenagersmovie.com).

Athletics:

- Check out our new Granby Athletics Twitter Feed [@rams_ghs](#)
- Visit our Flickr album for sports photos.
- Be sure to check the [MIAA website](#) for rescheduled games
- Spring schedules are complete, visit the MIAA for schedules
- All student athletes must complete weekly progress reports and submit to their coach on Fridays
- Flickr account for sports' pictures - Search "Granby Rams"
- Remember NO CLEATS in the building
- Please pack your athlete with a snack for after school
- Download the MIAA to be the first to know about cancellations

