



“Ram Report” November 17

Week in Review

- Congratulations to our Girls Soccer Team for winning their third consecutive WMass championship on Saturday, November 11th. The girls' season ended on Tuesday, November 14th with a difficult loss to Millbury High School in the state semi-finals. Thank you for a great fall season to all of our fall athletes.
- Health Screenings for grades 7-10 were completed this past week. Thank you to the nursing staff, students and teachers for your patience and flexibility throughout this process.
- GMPA's next Grab n Go meal was Friday, November 17. Meals can be picked up between 6-7P.

Things to know....

- 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.
- On Monday the senior class will be going home with a monthly raffle calendar fundraiser. This fundraiser is to help the seniors raise money for the senior activities like, senior banquet, caps and gowns, field trip to High Meadows, senior class trip to Pennsylvania, and yearbooks. If you would like to participate in the raffle print the last page of the document and fill out the top and return to the Granby High School with exact payment in cash or a check made payable to Town of Granby. All tickets and payments are due Wednesday, December 20th and the raffle will start in January. Thank you for your support. Senior Fundraiser [calendar](#)
- To access your student's school lunch account you can click [here](#). This and additional information about school lunch can be accessed through the district webpage by clicking "Nutrition Services" under the "For Families" tab.
- Food and drink is prohibited in all computer labs.
- We would like to announce an exciting opportunity for high school students interested in hands-on experience in STEM. The ASPIRE program, led by graduate students in

the department of Polymer Science and Engineering at Umass Amherst, is a FREE outreach event that invites high school students to participate in a series of experiments in polymer chemistry, physics, and engineering for 5 Saturdays in January and early February 2018. The goal is to create a platform for potential young scientists to experience the excitement of lab work, wrestle with scientific concepts, and have an opportunity to talk with graduate student mentors about our experience with science in college and beyond.

If you know a student (or multiple students!) who might be interested, please spread the word!

For more information, please contact ASPIRE by email at aspire@mail.pse.umass.edu or visit their web page at <https://www.pse.umass.edu/students/pse-student-activities>.

The ASPIRE 2018 application form (deadline December 1st) can be found at <https://goo.gl/forms/HgZpCIUhfJGaVPsw1>

- The Roger Williams Park Zoo Youth Advisory Council will inform future RWPZ initiatives by providing thoughtful feedback and a unique perspective. Members will serve as a voice for youth within the Zoo and community. Youth Advisory Council members will collaborate to lead, design, and execute various initiatives and projects that will positively impact the Zoo, community, animals, and the environment. After a year of being a member of the Youth Advisory Council, members can even be voted on to be part of the RWPZ board!

Attached is a flyer for the program, as well as the application to this email. More information on the RWPZ Youth Advisory Council can be found at: <http://www.rwpzoo.org/membership-giving/get-involved/youthcouncil> and <http://www.rwpzoo.org/sites/default/files/zoo/Vol-Youth%20Advisory%20Council%20Application%202017.pdf> The application deadline is November 27th.

- Teachers: attendance should be taken and submitted electronically for every block. Morning attendance must be taken and submitted by 7:35A. Please make sure attendance is accurate, as it is a legal document.
- Teachers: if you are going to be anywhere other than your room during class time please indicate where you will be on the whiteboard in the main office.
- Click [here](#) to get your Granby Spirit Wear. The Granby gear is being sold in a partnership with the Granby PTO and Booster Club.

Look Ahead

- Teachers we are planning an assembly for grades 10-12 during G block on Tuesday, November 21st. The assembly will be conducted by Officer White and will focus driving with a Junior Operating License and motor vehicle operation expectations on campus and in the community. We are also planning a Distracted Driver assembly for the spring of 2018. We will provide more details as we get closer to the date.
- Wednesday, November 22nd is an early dismissal to begin the Thanksgiving Break. Students will be dismissed at 11:00A. Students will return on Monday, November 27th.

- Staff will have a team building exercise after student dismissal on Tuesday, November 22nd. Details to follow.
- Cotillion tickets have been on sale during lunches for students in grades 9-12 for the past week. The Cotillion is Saturday, December 2. Tickets are \$40 each until November 17th. The price will increase to \$45/ticket from November 18-21st. The final day for ticket sales is November 21st. If a student plans to take a guest who does not attend GJSHS, they must first complete a guest form prior to purchasing a ticket.
- Our next Peacebuilders Advisory will be Friday, December 8.
- Winter sports' tryouts will begin on November 27, 2017. Information will be posted in the school on the athletic board. Mark your calendar: December 12th all winter sports' pictures.

Student Support Suite

- We are currently planning our GJSHS alumni panel for Wednesday, November 22nd. This is an opportunity for current 11th and 12th grade students to hear from and ask questions to recent GJSHS about their post-secondary experiences.
- 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](#).

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

- This is an interesting [article](#) about how cell phones could be impacting all of us.
- [Here](#) is a video on Growth vs. Fixed mindset.

NOVEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28/29 28-Umass Band Day 8:30	30 Faculty yoga 215 Policy Sub com 530 Girls Soccer Senior Night	31 Trick-or-treat event 3-530pm	1 Principal's List Dinner 6pm	2 Financial Aid Night 6-8pm	3 Peacebuilder/ Advisory	4
5	6 Faculty yoga 215 School Com. Mtg 630	7 1/2 day Parent/Teacher Conferences	8 1/2 day Parent/Teacher Conferences	9	10 NO SCHOOL	11
12	13 Health Screenings Faculty Mtg. 2:05 Fall Sports Banquet	14 Health Screenings GMPA 6-730 Granby PD/FD 530	15 Health Screenings	16 Health Screenings SAC Meeting PTO Mtg. School Council Mtg.	17 GMPA Kitchen 4-9	18 AP Science @ W. Side 8am
19	20 Faculty Yoga School Com. Mtg 630	21	22 1/2 Day	23	24 NO SCHOOL	25
26	27 Faculty Yoga	28 Parent Adviso- ry Council 630	29 Hour of Power GJSHS 2pm	30 FYI: Drama Club-East Meadow T/Thursdays 230-5pm	12/1 Website: Sports: MIAA.NET	12/2