



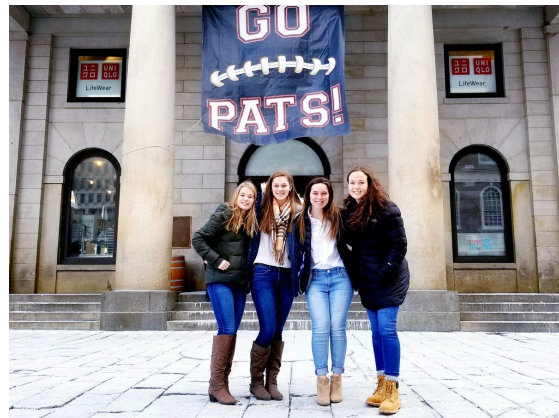
## **“Ram Report” February 1, 2019**

### **Week in Review**

- Report cards were distributed and posted to PlusPortal on Wednesday, January 30th.
- Training Active Bystander (TAB) met Friday, February 1st to discuss plans for the second semester and beyond.
- We had two delayed openings this week (Wednesday, January 30th and Thursday, January 31st) due to inclement weather.

### **Shoutouts**

- Congrats to all of our middle school band students who are participating in the Quabbin Valley Music Festival. Band members practiced at Palmer High School on Wednesday, January 30th and the event is at 3:00PM on Saturday, February 9th at Palmer High School.
- Julia Frappier, Julia Gauvin, Nora Young, and Jordan Healey represented GHS well today in Beantown. The girls attended at Faneuil Hall with 200+ other girls/women in sport. Great day all around!



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

- Students who have debts in the cafeteria will no longer be able to purchase or charge a la carte items.
- We are excited to announce that the Granby Public Schools will be upgrading our camera system at the Granby Jr. Sr. High School. The project is just starting to move forward (wires were pulled this past weekend). The entirety of the project

will be funded through a federal grant that was written by the Granby Police Department. The project will involve the installation of several new cameras inside the high school. These cameras will be located in common areas such as the hallways and cafeteria, and will work with our current cameras. Additionally, we will be replacing the decade old software and hardware currently running the schools existing cameras. At the conclusion of this project, all the school's cameras will be viewed live at the Granby Police Department, providing first responders with real-time information in the event of an emergency. The addition of this new camera system will greatly increase our ability to monitor our school to ensure that our staff and students are afforded a safe and secure environment to teach and learn. The majority of the project will be completed over February vacation. However, students and staff may see workers from time to time in or around the school working on the project. We assure you that all measure will be taken to minimize the impact of the project on the school day. Any questions or concerns related to the building project can be forwarded to the school administration.

- The Strategic Planning Initiative for Families and Youth (SPIFFY), a Hampshire County coalition focused on youth and family well-being, will be conducting the Prevention Needs Assessment Survey (PNAS) at Granby Jr/Sr High School on **Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018** throughout the school day. Eighth, Tenth, and Twelfth graders are surveyed every 2 years in school districts across Hampshire County. The PNAS measures alcohol, tobacco, and drug use, a variety of factors that place students at risk for problem behaviors and factors that protect students from problem behaviors. The purpose of the survey is to gather the information needed to plan important prevention and intervention programs to combat such problems as alcohol, drug use, and violence in our schools and communities. It will also help us judge the effectiveness of our current prevention and intervention efforts. Students may opt-out of the survey at any time. If you do not want your child(ren) to participate in the survey, please send in a written note to Mrs. Jenks, School Nurse Leader at Granby Jr/Sr High School or email her at [njenks@granbyschoolsma.net](mailto:njenks@granbyschoolsma.net). Thank you.
- The Granby Wellness Committee will be meeting on Wednesday, February 13th at 6pm in the Jr/Sr High Library, community members are welcome to attend.

### **Look Ahead**

- The Granby band had to postpone the concert originally scheduled for Friday, February 1st due to unforeseen circumstances. The band is excited to be holding a concert on February 8th, 2019 at 7PM at East Meadow School for all of the

Granby Instrumental Music groups. The concert is free and we would love to see you there!

- GJSHS staff have a faculty meeting on Monday, February 4th at 2:10P in the library.
- Pioneer Valley Driving School will be offering drivers' ed classes at GJSHS from February 19-22 from 8:45AM-3:45PM and February 25-27 from 2:30-4:30PM. A mandatory Parents' Night will be held on February 19th from 6:00-8:00PM. For more details please contact Pioneer Valley Driving School at 413-253-7432.
- Our next advisory will be held on February 8th;
- Distractology is coming to GHS! Click [here](#) to read more about the program.
- Welcome Ms. Danielle Van Over, our new Drama Director!!! More info and announcements to follow.

### **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](#).
- Seniors: the Community Foundation Scholarship is now open. Any senior who has filed a FAFSA is eligible to apply. Granby students have done very well with this scholarship in the past. Please see Mrs. Tease in the Student Support Suite with questions.

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

- This [article](#) provides an interesting perspective on what it might take to motivate and engage all learners.

### **Athletics**

- The booster club is looking for volunteers....If you are interested, please email Tammy Sosa at [Tammysosa1175@gmail.com](mailto:Tammysosa1175@gmail.com)
- **Admission prices:**
  - Basketball games \$5 adult \$3 senior citizens/students
- Remember there is no food or drink allowed in the gym during games.
- **The Division 3 Western MA Sectional Wrestling Tournament will be held at Franklin County Technical School this year on Saturday, February 9th**
- **Alumni game will be played on February 28th vs. Ware.**

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***Spring Schedules are now posted, please visit [MIAA.net](http://MIAA.net) for more details.***

***SPRING REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN-ACCESS REGISTRATION VIA THE DISTRICT WEBSITE UNDER "ATHLETICS"***

***REMEMBER ALL ATHLETES NEED PHYSICALS, PLEASE BE SURE TO SCHEDULE APPOINTMENTS AND UPLOAD TO FAMILY ID.***