

“Ram Report”

May 18, 2018

Week in Review

- On Monday, May 14th, Tuesday, May 15 and Wednesday May 16th students took AP exams in Biology, Calculus and ELA Language and Composition.
- Thursday, May 17th GJSHS welcomed the Class of 2024 at our Transition Night. It was great to meet some of our incoming 7th grade students and their parents/families.
- The junior class (Class of 2021) attended a senior class presentation by G&B on May 18.
- The Spring Concert was held at GJSHS on Tuesday, May 15th.

GJSHS “Shoutouts”:

- Congratulations to the [Class of 2018](#). Our seniors have committed to the following colleges/universities:
 - Brown University
 - Elms College
 - Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
 - Green Mountain College
 - Hartwick College
 - HCC
 - Ithaca College
 - Merrimack College
 - Mount Holyoke College
 - Roger Williams University
 - Springfield College
 - STCC
 - Suffolk University
 - UMass-Amherst
 - University of Maine
 - University of Vermont
 - Vermont Technical College
 - Western New England University
 - Westfield State University

Things to know....

- On Monday, April 23rd the Granby School Committee approved early-dismissal for students for final exams. Friday, June 8th, Monday, June 11th and Tuesday, June 12th will be early dismissal days for students. Wednesday, June 13th (our final day of school) was already planned to be an early dismissal. More details are forthcoming.
- Students, do you want to begin a career in manufacturing? Learn more about a free 4 week training program by clicking [here](#).
- Monday, May 21st is the final day of school for seniors before their final exams. [Here](#) is the schedule of events for seniors between now and graduation on June 2nd.
- 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.
- GJSHS please make sure you are using your FOB key to enter the school through the door near the Superintendent's office.
- Granby HOPE CLUB is doing a fundraiser for [Neighbors Helping Neighbors](#). This Drive includes both the Junior/ Senior High School and both Elementary Schools (West Street & East Meadow).
- On Friday, May 18th the 2nd season of the Netflix series *Thirteen Reasons Why* will be released. It is important parents are aware of the content and the impact this show can and may have. This series can be very difficult to watch and even more difficult to process in healthy and appropriate ways. With that said parents/guardians are in the best position to decide if it is appropriate for your child to watch. Here are a few resources you might want to use to discuss this with your students:
 - [13 Reasons Why Talking Points from Suicide Awareness Voices of Education & The JED Foundation](#)
 - [Suicide prevention resource center](#)

Looking Ahead:

- On Friday, May 25th our 7th grade students will host our incoming 7th grade (currently 6th grade) students at GJSHS for an Ice Cream Social.
- On Wednesday, May 23rd GJSHS will host "Mr. Granby". Join us to identify the junior/senior boy who exhibits the characteristics it takes to be "Mr. Granby". The event will begin at 7:00PM in the GJSHS cafeteria.

- GJSHS Student advisory council is scheduled to meet Thursday, May 24th during C block.
- Students in Grade 10 will take the mathematics MCAS on Wednesday, May 23rd and Thursday, May 24th. This is a regular day for all students.
- GJSHS 7th Grade Open House for incoming 7th grade students is Thursday, May 17th at 6:00PM.
- The Junior-High will be hosting a Luau (semi-formal) dance on May 18th
- 7th Grade Orientation will be held on August 23rd from 9:00am-2:00pm

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](#).

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

- Summer Reading Skills; classes offered in Northampton and on Campus, click [here](#)
- ***New interactive parent guide to the next-generation MCAS: [Click HERE](#)***

The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education has an interactive next-generation [MCAS guide](#) that provides helpful tips for parents on:

- *how test results are used to support teaching and learning*
- *the ways the next-generation MCAS test better measures the critical skills students need for success in the 21st century*
- *the new scoring categories, and*
- *how to seek support for their child.*

Upcoming MCAS SCIENCE DATES

Grade 8 May 22, 23

Athletics:

- Check out our new Granby Athletics Twitter Feed [@rams_ghs](#)
- Be sure to check the [MIAA website](#) for rescheduled games
- All student athletes must complete weekly progress reports and submit to their coach on Fridays
- Flickr account for sports' pictures - Search "Granby Rams" or visit the high school website, click the athletics tab and select FLICKR

- Remember NO CLEATS in the building
- Please pack your athlete with a snack for after school
- Download the MIAA APP to be the first to know about cancellations
- Guess what? GAA is partnering with the Granby Athletics Department and revamping the GAA Youth Wrestling Program. If you have inquiries, please feel free to contact Doug Hodgins at: dhodgins@granbyschoolsma.net
- Are you wondering how you can help out? Consider this your invitation to join the Granby Booster Club. Please contact Tammy Sosa at: tammysosa1175@gmail.com
- Silent Auction will take place on August 16th, 2018, @ the Granby Legion. If you are interested in donating a basket, item, etc to the auction, please email: ajordan-gagner@granbyschoolsma.net. Thank you in advance and special thanks to those who have contributed already.
- Thank you to Amherst Farmers Supply for your recent donation of lyme!

Senior Games

Baseball May 22nd

Softball May 24th

Girls Lax 25th

Boys Lax 25th