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## October 2nd-6th

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MONDAY 2	TUESDAY 3	WEDNESDAY 4	THURSDAY 5	FRIDAY 6
	Class Ring presentation  **Orders on the 11th*		Boys Soccer @ Easthampton 4pm  	Girls Soccer vs. South Hadley 3:30pm

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## Week in Review

- GJSHS faculty had their first departmental Hour of Power (HoP) this week. Faculty met with department members and teams to work on their goals or educator plans, unit plans, implementing learning from professional development into their unit plans and other curriculum and instruction focused work.
- Student advisory council was postponed and will be rescheduled in early October. We are working to identify new students who are interested in participating in this important student leadership opportunity. It is important students have a voice in decisions that are being made that impact them and their learning. This is just one way in which that can happen.
- The Junior High School is hosting a Harvest Hoedown for students in 7th and 8th grade on tonight, Friday, September 29. There will be games and autumn activities that students can participate in. The event is from 6:30-8:30P and the cost is \$5 to attend.

## Things to know....

- I am pleased to let everyone know that we have added a table to room 110 and placed 4 laptops on it to accommodate some of our larger classes. We now have 28 computers in this lab. We are exploring additional technology improvements for this lab and others, but I wanted you all to be aware of this sooner than later.

These laptops **must remain in room 110** and on the table in which they were placed. Essentially, they should be treated as desktop computers. While this is not a perfect solution for all of our instructional technology needs/wants, it does help provide access to instructional technology for students and teachers in some of our larger classes. Additionally, we have added a projector in this room with the goal of making it more of an instructional space for students and teachers.

Finally, we have also added another computer to the middle school lab so there are now 29 computers in that space that can be used. The feedback and information sharing from teachers and staff has been helpful in making this happen. Thank you for pushing us to improve where we can! Special thanks to David Lukaskiewicz for his support and hard work in making all of this happen so quickly.

- Opportunity for Instructional Leadership for any teacher who might be interested in leading a work group related to this--it is certainly aligned with the unit planning everyone has been working on. See below for two new resources designed to support implementation of the 2017 standards; items 2 and 3 relate to previously available resources that have recently been updated.

1. Two [Quick Reference Guides \(QRGs\) to the 2017 Curriculum Framework for Mathematics](#) are now available! The first, "[Fractions Learning Progression in Grades 3–5](#)," describes the learning trajectory from the conceptual foundations of fractions to fluency with fractional operations. The second QRG, "[Standard Algorithms for Addition and Subtraction](#)," summarizes the progression of standards related to developing a conceptual understanding of the standard algorithms for addition and subtraction. Each two-page QRG is designed to be widely accessible and easy to distribute, and additional QRGs will be released on a rolling basis throughout the school year.

2. [Grade-by-Grade Explanations of the 2017 Revisions to the ELA/Literacy and Mathematics Frameworks](#) are now available on the [main Frameworks page](#)! These documents, which supplement the previously released "Highlights" resources, provide detailed explanations of all revisions made to the 2010 standards for each grade level in 2017. Both Grade-by-Grade Explanations previously appeared on the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education site as documentation of the standards review process; the ELA/literacy document on the main Frameworks page is identical to the one previously available on the Board site, while the math document has undergone minor edits.

3. Some of our 2017–2018 standards implementation networks still have space available! Please note that logistical details such as dates and locations have changed slightly for a few of the networks since they were first announced. If you have already signed up for a network, you will be notified directly of any changes that affect you. If you have not yet signed up or if you would like to encourage others to sign up, please use the attached version of the flyer, which is current.

## Look Ahead

- Jostens will be here for a class ring presentation on Tuesday, October 3rd, during D block. There will be a follow up day on Tuesday, October 10 to place orders.
- - *Progress reports: Progress Reports will be given out on Monday, October 2nd from the student's Advisory. All students will report to their Advisory on Monday, October 2nd at 1:50P to receive Progress Reports. Any undelivered Progress Reports need to be returned to Mrs. Tease in the Student Support Suite.*
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## Student Support Suite

- The PSAT exam will be given Wednesday, October 11 from 7:30–11:30A at GJSHS. All sophomores and juniors interested in taking this exam should sign up with Mrs. Tease in the Student Support Suite. The cost is \$20. We will accept cash or a check made out to the Town of Granby. Space is limited so remember to sign up early.
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## College Visits for the week of October 3:

Wednesday, October 4- 10:00 a.m. Mount Holyoke College  
1:00 p.m. Mass College of Liberal Arts

Friday, October 6 - 10:00 a.m. University of Rhode Island  
11:30 a.m. UMass-Lowell

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

- Check out the [Invitation to Innovation](#) flyer. This could be a great opportunity for students to witness innovation and entrepreneurial spirit live.
- Don't forget to sign up for the Mindfulness Training being offered here at GJSHS for staff and students on November 7. Please contact Jess Roy to take advantage of this opportunity. <http://www.pbs.org/newshour/bb/faced-outsized-stresses-baltimore-students-learn-take-deep-breath/#.Wc1Ets5e0Kk.gmail>
- This website provides supports and resource related to working within the Common Core: <https://achievethecore.org/teachingthecore>