

Greeley Central High School News

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear Wildcat Families,

We've made it to March! When we return from Spring Break, the end of the school year will quickly be here. We are excited to celebrate with you and your students many end of the year events! Please check our website often for updates and stay tuned in to our phone calls and emails home.

As we move towards the end of the year, please look at your student's attendance and grades on Infinite Campus on a regular basis using the Infinite Campus Parent Portal (click here for information on the Parent Portal). Our teachers are charged with updating grades weekly. Please reach out to individual teachers with questions.

We are working on an on-going concern with our student bathrooms. We have had instances of vandalism that have caused plumbing issues resulting in flooding and bathroom closures. In addition, we have staff and student concerns of students vaping in the bathroom. We want all of our students to feel safe and have access to our bathrooms.

We have increased our adult supervision of the student bathrooms and we are working with our district directors for help and guidance. Please talk with your students about their experiences at GCHS. We welcome feedback and suggestions!

Have a safe Spring Break!

PRIDE, CLASS, DIGNITY **EVERYONE A WILDCAT!**

GO WILDCATS!

Amy Zulauf, Principal - (970) 348-5009

azulauf@greeleyschools.org







IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

- March 6-9 (Wednesday-Saturday): Spring Musical 'Guys and Dolls' 7pm (1pm & 7pm Sat)
- March 9 (Saturday): Saturday School 8:00am-11:00am in GCHS Library
- March 11-15 (Monday-Friday): Spring Break No School for Students or Staff
- March 18 (Monday): School Resumes @9:10am Using normal Monday bell schedule
- March 21 (Thursday): ASVAB Testing (select Juniors) AM or PM in Library
- March 23 (Saturday): Saturday School 8:00am-11:00am in GCHS Library
- March 25 (Monday): School Improvement Day No School For Students
- March 26 (Tuesday): Junior Class Meeting During Seminar
- April 2 (Tuesday): Freshman Class Meeting During Seminar
- April 6 (Saturday): <u>Saturday School</u> 8:00am-11:00am in GCHS Library
- April 10 (Wednesday): CMAS Science Testing click here for information
- April 11 (Thursday): <u>Parent Teacher Conferences</u> 4:30pm-7:30pm
- April 13 (Saturday): GCHS Prom 8:00pm @UNC Ballroom
- April 17-18 (Wednesday & Thursday): SAT/PSAT Testing click here for information
- April 18 (Thursday): <u>Senior Class Photo & Meeting</u> 2:00pm (Main Gym)
- April 20 (Saturday): <u>Saturday School</u> 8:00am-11:00am in GCHS Library

MULTIPLE CHROMEBOOKS & OTHER LIBRARY ITEMS

If you have any multiple Chromebooks, Chromebook chargers, or Library items you need to return, please do so as soon as possible. Any multiple items will eventually be marked lost and added as a fee to your Infinite Campus account. Please return these items to the Library (Room 216). Also, students should return all semester 1 items that will not be needed for semester 2. For example, students should return the paperback books from their English classes; if students will be in the same course for semester 2, they should take their text books to the Library to renew them for semester 2. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Carmen Harris, the Library Media Manager, at (970) 348-5191. Thank you!

Chromebook Fee = \$328 | Charger Fee = \$29.75 | Calculator Fee = \$150

AN UPDATE FROM THE ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR'S DESK

Hello Wildcat families;

We have kicked off the Spring sports season and our athletes are off in full swing, participating in baseball, boys volleyball, girls tennis, girls soccer, and track & field. We have over 200 athletes that have signed up to play a Spring sport which is awesome to see. Boys volleyball kicked off their first competition of the year last night (2/29) and beat Windsor Charter 3 sets to 2! All of our other sports will begin competition next week as we have a full week of events. We hope to see you at our home events this Spring and be sure to pack your warm clothes as Spring in Colorado is always unpredictable.

If athletics aren't your thing, we are still in full swing with music competitions, ensembles, performances and our Spring musical, Guys & Dolls, which kicks off next week 3/6-3/9. Our program has a long lasting tradition of producing some outstanding musicals and this year's musical will surely follow that tradition. Continue to check our website for up to date schedules and information on how the Wildcats are doing. Have a restful Spring break and thank you for your continued support of our students in their activities and athletics.

Go Cats!

Sean Scribbick, AD/AP, GCHS - sscribbick@greeleyschools.org (970) 348-5012





ATHLETIC/ACTIVITY ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

Please note the weekly eligibility guidelines:

- 1. Students in grades 9-12 are required to meet the eligibility standards set by the Colorado High School Activities Association (CHSAA) of passing at least five (5) academic classes in the semester prior to participation begins, when the cocurricular activity is one which is governed by CHSAA.
- 2. Weekly eligibility is done throughout the school year & will be the determining factor for FULL participation in an activity each week. Grades will be pulled on Thursdays & students informed of their status. Students will have until 3:00pm on the following Monday (or other specific time given by the Athletic/Activities Office) to address failing grades for eligibility purposes. The following are the weekly high school eligibility requirements:



- All students must be enrolled in a minimum of 5 full-time classes. A student enrolled in only 5 classes must be passing (D or better) ALL classes.
- A student enrolled in more than 5 classes may be failing 1 course & still be eligible to participate (i.e., enrolled in 6, fail 1; enrolled in 7, fail one; enrolled in 8, fail 1).
- A student enrolled in more than 5 classes **becomes INELIGIBLE** if they fail 2 or more classes (i.e., enrolled in 6, fail 2 or more; enrolled in 7, fail 2 or more; enrolled in 8, fail 2 or more).

AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING/SATURDAY SCHOOL

Does your student need a little extra help with some classes? Does your student need to catch a on a class or two? There are plenty of opportunities to get that extra help. Not only do we have Seminar two days a week (95 minutes on each of those days), we offer after school tutoring as well as Saturday school.

After school tutoring is held after school (go figure) **Tuesdays through Thursdays from 3:45pm to 5:00pm.** Teachers take attendance for those that take advantage of this opportunity. There are some days where we may need to cancel after-school tutoring based upon teacher conflicts, meetings, or other events. We will make announcements to students over the intercom regarding any cancellations. Contact Jillian Tomasino (itomasino@greeleyschools.org) with questions.

Saturday school will be held from 8:00am to 11:00am in the GCHS Library and is open to anyone that needs help with their classes or are just needing a quiet place to study. Contact Jordan Miller (jmiller16@greeleyschools.org) with questions.

Below are the semester 2 dates we have setup for Saturday School as of this newsletter:

- Saturday, January 27th
- Saturday, February 10th
- Saturday, February 17th
- Saturday, February 24th
- Saturday, March 9th
- Saturday, March 23rd
- Saturday, April 6th
- Saturday, April 20th
- Saturday, May 4th
- Saturday, May 11th
- Saturday, May 18th





Complete School Activities: CLICK THIS LINK







PROGRAMS/PATHWAYS AT GREELEY CENTRAL

Please check out our different programs & pathways offered at Greeley Central High School.

Department Information

• Link to Department Slides

School Course Video

• Link to Course Informational Video

Arts Magnet

- Link to Brochure
- Link to Application
- Contact Christy O'Connell-Black with questions
 - cblack@greeleyschools.org

Health Science Academy

- Link to Brochure
- Link to Application
- Contact Nathan Harvey or Beth Anne Hawkey with questions:
 - nharvey@greeleyschools.org
 - bhawkey@greeleyschools.org

Advanced Manufacturing

- Link to Brochure
- Contact Bill Alexander with questions
 - walexander@greeleyschools.org

Advanced Placement (AP) Programs

- Link to Brochure
- Contact Tom Frasier with questions
 - tfrasier@greeleyschools.org

AVID

- GCHS AVID Flyer
- Contact Emily Kirby with questions
 - ekirby@greeleyschools.org

Marketing/Business

- Link to Brochure
- Contact Aimee Nance with questions
 - anance@greeleyschools.org

Math

- Link to Math Course Flow Chart
- Contact Sean Miller with questions
 - smiller4@greeleyschools.org

Family & Consumer Science

- Link to Brochure
- Contact Lauren Appelhans, Jamie Valdez, or Megan Sadar with questions
 - <u>lappelhans@greeleyschools.org</u>
 - jvaldez14@greeleyschools.org
 - msadar@greeleyschools.org

Clubs/Organizations

Link to Google Slide Listing of Clubs

Athletics

• Link to Wildcat Coaches

Other Information

- Graduation Requirements
 (Starting with Class of
 2022)
- Link to GCHS Promo Video



TESTING IN APRIL: CMAS, SAT, & PSAT

We will have testing in mid-April, which will create some changes to a few of our school days. Here are the testing dates and who needs to report for testing and who doesn't have school those days:

- Wednesday, April 10th: CMAS Testing
 - 11th Graders: **Report at 8:10am to your testing locations** (locations will be posted)
 - 9th, 10th, and 12th Graders: FOLLOW NORMAL WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

- Wednesday, April 17th: SAT Testing (click here for schedule)
 - 11th Graders: Report at 8:10am to your testing locations; testing 1/2 day in the morning; no school in afternoon
 - 9th, 10th, 12th Graders: NO SCHOOL TODAY FOR THESE GRADE LEVELS
- Thursday, April 18th: PSAT Testing (click here for schedule)
 - 9th & 10th Graders: Report at 8:10am to your testing locations; testing 1/2 day in the morning; no school in afternoon
 - 11th & 12th Graders: NO SCHOOL TODAY FOR THESE GRADE LEVELS
 - 12th Graders: Don't forget your Senior Class Photo at 2:00pm on April 18th





ARTS MAGNET INFORMATION

HOW TO BECOME AN ARTS MAGNET STUDENT...

As we near 24/25 registration- please reference the **Arts Magnet Handbook** (page 6) and class list to determine what is required to complete your emphasis program area. If you wish to change your emphasis, drop the program, apply to the program, or have any question please contact **Mrs. O'Connell-Black at cblack@greeleyschools.org**).

• Current Greeley Central students (9th-11th grade) still interested in applying to the Arts Magnet Program should fill out the Arts Magnet application (CLICK HERE TO APPLY) or email Mrs. O'Connell-Black at cblack@greeleyschools.org).

COMMUNICATION...

- Join our closed Facebook group page: Greeley Central Arts Magnet Program
- We use the "REMIND" app to send you and/or your students important messages or reminders throughout the school year. Text the message @allartsm to the number 81010 to receive these messages.
- Join our private Facebook group page for updates & announcements —->
- Please see the school webpage and the AMP page for information.
- Applications for our 24-25 school year are now being accepted! Keep in mind you **DO NEED A TEACHER RECOMMENDATION.** Apply Here!
- Email Mrs. O'Connell-Black at **cblack@greeleyschools.org** with any questions about AMP at any time.

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

 Want to get involved with our Thespian Parent Booster group? They need your help! Join their <u>Facebook Page</u> or email <u>ahaggin@greeleyschools.org</u>.

SCHEDULES/CHANGE YOUR EMPHASIS...

Do you need to change your status before registering for fall semester next year?

We recommend that you do this ASAP as you will be put into classes that are required for your emphasis. **Find that form HERE.** Need a status check or want to know where you are in the program- email **cblack@greeleyschools.org** for a meeting or AMP grad check.

facebook.

GRADES/PROBATION/HANDBOOK...

- Find our 2023-2024 Handbook for important information:
 - Click Here for Handbook

ALL ARTS CALENDAR...

• Click this link for our full calendar for the 23-24 school year.





Upcoming Concerts/Events/Performances!MARCH

Mar. 1 Field Trip - UNC High School Theater Day

Mar. 1 Dist. 6 & Friends Youth Art Walk, DT Greeley, 5pm-8pm Mar. 2 Solo/Ensemble Festival (district-wide) @GCHS 9am-4pm

Mar. 5 In-School Performance "Guys & Dolls" 1pm

Mar. 6-9 Spring Musical 'Guys & Dolls' 7pm (1pm & 7pm Sat).

Mar. 20 Music Concert (Instrumental) @7pm; GCHS Auditorium (Free)

Mar. 21 Music Concert @7pm; Bethel Baptist Church (Free)

Now Accepting Applications For The 24-25 School Year

Please check out our Arts Magnet brochure by clicking on the photo to the right.

To apply to the Arts Magnet Program you can scan the QR code to the right or **click this link**.





DO YOU HAVE A PASSION FOR THE ARTS? DO YOU WANT TO WORK WITH LIKE-MINDED STUDENT ARTISTS?

- DANCE
- VISUAL ART

(Drawing/Painting, Ceramics/ Sculpture, Digital Arts)

MUSIC

(Orchestra, Choir, Band)

THEATRE

(Acting, Tech Theatre/Directing)



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Learn more/APPLY
TODAY for the 24-25
school year by
visiting our website
or scan
the QR code

greeleyschools.org/greeleycentral

PERFORMING & VISUAL ARTS

MAGNET PROGRAM @ THE CASTLE



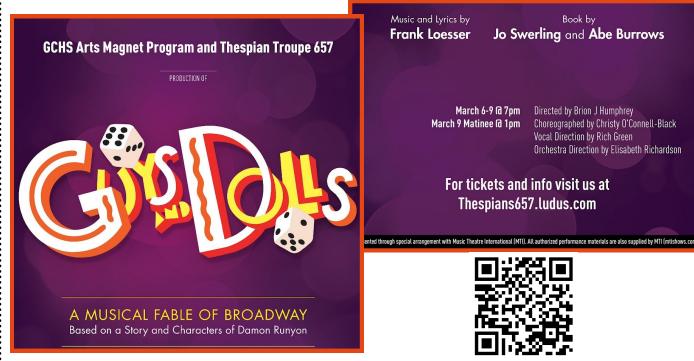




District 6 & Friends Arts Walk: Scan the QR code below for event map or <u>click here</u>). Click the flyer below to view the full poster. The image created by Wildcat Tessa Johnston.



Spring Musical: "Guys and Dolls" - Click here for tickets or scan the QR code below right for tickets.







CLICK THIS LINK to purchase *merchandise* from our spring musical, Guys and Dolls.







To help promote the spring musical, Student Council is hosting a "Guys and Dolls" Spirit Week leading up to the show.

- Monday (3/4) Crazy Socks Day: wear your best crazy socks
- **Tuesday (3/5) Guys & Dolls/Formal Day:** dress like a Guys and Dolls character (think New York around the 30's) or in formal wear
- Wednesday (3/6) Inclusion Day: wear purple and yellow to support Best Buddies
- Thursday (3/7) Crazy Hair Day: do up your 'do as whimsical and crazy as you can
- Friday (3/8) Spring Break Tacky Tourist: sock and sandals, fanny packs, binoculars, and zinc on your nose, dress like a tourist on spring break

Reminder: dress code and student code of conduct still apply to all spirit week days.







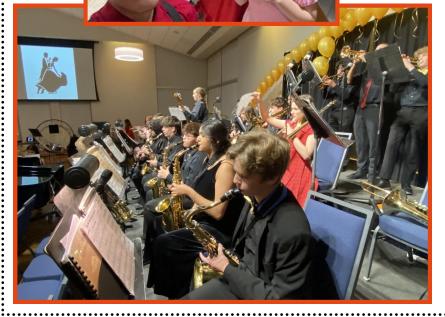
Past Events...

Big Band Boogie Ball (all photos on this page)















Past Events...

Field Trip to Colorado Symphony Orchestra (photo on right)



Guest Artist, African Drummer and Dancer, Godwin Abotsi (photo above and below)



All State Jazz Choir - Cecily Mash (photo on right)



Filming Event @ The Castle: LA Crew for "Method" the feature film (photo below)







Past Events...

Orchestra Events (all photos on this page)











Past Events...

Singing Valentines on Valentine's Day (photo below and to the right)





All State Choir (photo below and to the right)









GRADUATION INFORMATION

The Class of 2024 will have their graduation commencement ceremony on **Saturday, May 25th at 8:00am at District 6 Stadium**. There are a lot of things that need to occur prior



to this big day. Graduates should already have ordered their cap & gown. If you haven't done so, you need to order these ASAP through Jostens. Click this link to order.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION FOR GRADUATES

Click this link for scholarship information for our graduates.

This information is located on our website and was also shared with EACH graduate and their families via email on February 9th.

SENIOR CLASS PHOTO

The Senior Class Photo will be held on Thursday, April 18th at 2:00pm in Jim Baggot Gymnasium. After the photo, there will be a short class meeting giving potential graduates information on what will be required in order to graduate.







UDENT SCHEDULES AND INFINITE CAMPUS PORTAL

Students should check their schedules on Infinite Campus as this will be the most accurate and up to date schedule available. There is an Infinite Campus mobile app for both students and parents. Instructions were given out during our fall registration, on our website and also this newsletter (see flyer links below). You can also obtain the instructions and a guide on the District website (www.greeleyschools.org) under the Families

menu/Infinite Campus - Parent (or Student) (or click these links - English / Spanish).

The apps are easily identified by a capital "S" for the student portal or a capital "P" for the parent portal. The District Name is "Greeley 6". Students will login using their school username and their student number (lunch number) as their password. If a student does not know their login information, please see someone in the main office.





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Parents who have accessed the parent portal last school year (at a District 6 school) should use the same username as before. This username would have ended with an **_PG** (underscore PG). If you cannot get logged in please call the Main Office at (970) 348-5000 for a password reset.

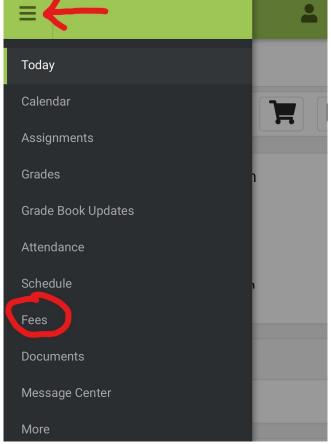
CHECKING FOR STUDENT FEES, SCHEDULES & GRADES

As we finish semester 1, please start checking to see if your student may owe any school fees

(ESPECIALLY IF YOU ARE EXPECTING TO **GRADUATE IN THE SPRING OF 2024).** Please check Infinite Campus (either through the Student portal or the Parent portal) to view these outstanding items. To view these items, once logged in to Infinite Campus:

- For Outstanding Fees, at the top left of the screen, click the menu icon (see the left red arrow in the picture to the right).
- Click the menu item labeled "Fees" (see the red circle in the picture to the right).
 - The default shows all "Unpaid" fees. If your student currently has fees due they will show up here.
 - To see what fees have been paid during this school year you can change the "Type" at the top right to "Paid". To view all fees incurred (paid & unpaid) for this school year, change the "Type" at the top right to "All".
- To pay outstanding fees, please utilize the District 6 Web Store, which can be located under the main picture of our school website or by clicking this link.
- For Final Grades/Report Cards, click the menu item labeled "Documents". The default year shows 23-24.
 - To view your student's report card for semester 1, click "Report Card SM1".

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COUNSELING CORNER

Your counselors are available to you by making an appointment on Central's Counseling page during the regular school year.

If you need more immediate assistance during the summer, here are some resources:

National Suicide Hotline

- 1-800-273-TALK (8255)
- Text: "TALK" to 38255

North Range Behavioral Health Crisis Line:

• 970-347-2120

North Range Behavioral Health Crisis Center:

- 928 12th Street, Greeley, Co
- Open 24/7/365

Other Counseling Staff

- School Psychologist
 - Mark Early
 - mearly@greeleyschools.org
- D6 Social Worker
 - Danielle Van Nest
 - dvannest@greeleyschools.org
- North Range Behavioral Health Therapist
 - Janet Lopez
 - jlopez62@greeleyschools.org
- Speech Pathologist
 - Katelin Lemahieu

Sara Dillon (MTSS Counselor)

klemahieu@greeleyschools.org

COUNSELING OFFICE

NOTE UPDATED GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (CLICK HERE)

GCHS Counselors (2023-24)

- Freshmen
 - Josh Rahn
 - jrahn@greeleyschools.org
- Sophomores
 - Kendra Aragon
 - karagon4@greeleyschools.org
- Juniors
 - Pamela Hernandez:
 - phernandez9@greeleyschools.org
- Seniors
 - Claudia Koesler
 - ckoesler@greeleyschools.org
- MTSS Counselor
 - Sara Dillon
 - sdillon3@greeleyschools.org
- Counseling Secretary
 - Heather Endres
 - hendres@greeleyschools.org
 - (970) 348-5018 Office













Zero Dropouts - Seniors/Graduate

sdillon3@greeleyschools.org

Alma Rodriguez (Zero Dropouts Advisor)

arodriguez153@greelevschools.org

Alma Rodriguez, our Post-Secondary Advisor

from Zero Dropouts, is available to answer questions and review forms. Please reach out to her if you have any questions via email at arodriguez153@greeleyschools.org or sign up for a time on Calendly By appointment (CLICK THIS LINK).





FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE

Let us introduce ourselves!

Caryn Ishmael is our Greeley Central High School Registered Nurse Consultant and Tina Alvarez is the Health Clerk.

The Health Clerk is in the Health Office every day between 8am and 4pm. The School Registered Nurse is responsible for several schools in the district, but is available by appointment most days.

The Health Office phone number is 970.348.5026. The school fax is 970.348.5030.

In District 6, the Health Clerk (Tina Alvarez) is the person you will most often speak with when contacting the Health Office. Tina has received training in basic first aid skills, CPR, medication administration, immunization requirements, vision and hearing screening and some specialized medical procedures. She works under the School Registered Nurse's professional license. The School Registered Nurse (Caryn Ishmael) is responsible for all activities which happen in the health office, including, but not limited to, training and supervising school staff to care for students with health or medical concerns at school and on field trips, writing health care plans, working with health care providers to obtain the necessary orders and obtaining health histories for students with Individual Education Programs (IEPs). Caryn also monitors student attendance, communicable disease patterns and provides or assists with student health education.

MEDICATIONS:

Reminder! Any medications administered at school must have health care provider orders and a plan for administration. This includes inhalers, EpiPens, cold • medicine, pain relievers, cough drops, special ointments or lotions, etc. If you have a medication your student needs to take at school, please contact the Health Office and we can help get the correct paperwork completed. Please help us take the best care of your student by updating any health questionnaires, health care plans or other health documents that come home with your student or via the email that you gave to the school. We update all student information annually and would love to chat with you about any health concerns your student has. You can always email the School's Registered Nurse, Caryn Ishmael

<u>(cishmael@greeleyschools.org)</u>.

Health is an important part of every student's education. Healthy students make better learners.

HEALTH CLINIC

The Health Office team is here to support your student's health care needs and help them stay healthy, safe and present in school so they are ready to learn. If your student has a health concern, is ill, or you need health resources or a health care provider, the Health Office team can help! Give us a call!

FLU SEASON IS APPROACHING

Here are some tips for staying healthy and preventing the spread of illnesses:

- **Get your flu shot!** The flu vaccine is recommended by the CDC for everyone 6 months and older.
- Stay home when you are sick. When exhibiting illness symptoms such as fever over 100.4, chills, head and body aches, or uncontrollable cough- stay home to prevent others from catching your illness! It is also important to avoid close contact with people who are sick. Your child must be fever free without medications and no longer presenting with vomiting & diarrhea for at least 24 hours to attend school.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. Germs spread this way. Don't share drinks or utensils with others.
- Cover coughs and sneezes. Use a tissue to cover coughs and sneezes, then dispose of the tissue. When a tissue is not available, cough or sneeze into your elbow.
- Wash hands for 20 seconds with soap and warm water. If you cannot wash your hands, use alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Clean and disinfect surfaces or objects. Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at home, work or school, especially when someone is ill.
- Consult your primary care provider with any symptoms of significant illness. The doctor will speak with you about possible treatment options. Provide a doctor's note to the school if your child will be absent due to illness.

District 6 Illness Exclusion Guidelines







PARKING LOT LOOP NORTH SIDE PROCEDURES

In an effort to keep our students and community safe, we are asking that you look at this map and discuss it with your student.

Green Arrows

• Vehicles traveling west on 15th street cannot cross over the center line to access the parking lot

Orange Arrows

- Vehicles traveling east on 15th street should enter at the first entrance to the parking lot, travel around the outside and upon exiting, take a right turn and continue east on 15th street.
- Please review the parking lot arrows for appropriate travel throughout the day. They

match the angled spaces and keep all in the lot safe.

White Arrow

- The Crosswalk is for pedestrians crossing. There is another crosswalk at the light east of the school. Please only cross at these two points.
- It is our hope that this plan will promote a safer passage for all of our students to and from school. If you have questions, please feel free to reach out for further explanation.



PROCEDIMIENTOS DEL LADO NORTE DEL ESTACIONAMIENTO

En un esfuerzo por mantener seguros a nuestros estudiantes y a la comunidad, le pedimos que mire este mapa y hable con su estudiante

Flechas verdes

• Los vehículos que viajan hacia el oeste por la calle 15 no pueden cruzar la línea central para acceder al estacionamiento.

Flechas naranjas

• Los vehículos que viajan hacia el este por la calle 15 deben ingresar por la primera entrada al estacionamiento, rodear el exterior y al salir, voltear a la derecha y continuar hacia el este por

la calle 15.

• Revise las flechas del estacionamiento para conocer los desplazamientos adecuados durante el día. Coinciden con el espacio y mantienen seguro todo el lote.

Flecha blanca

- El paso de peatones es para el cruce de peatones. Hay otro cruce de peatones en el semáforo al este de la escuela. Por favor cruce sólo por estos dos puntos.
- Esperamos que este plan promueva un tránsito más seguro para todos nuestros estudiantes desde y hacia la escuela. Si tiene preguntas, no dude en comunicarse para obtener más explicaciones.

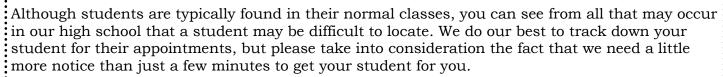




ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES - AT LEAST 1 or 2 HOURS NOTICE

Please be aware that there are times when the office staff are short-staffed or we do not have staff or students available to send passes to your student when given no notice ahead of time. Most appointments scheduled for your student are setup by **you**, the parent/guardian, long before the time of the appointment. Please don't wait until the last minute to call in for your student to be released from school. Your student:

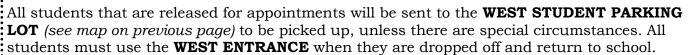
- May be taking an exam in a different classroom than normally scheduled;
- May be in a P.E. class that is on a run around the school or on our practice field;
- May be in a meeting with a counselor, administrator or other staff member;
- May be on a field trip;
- May be in their Seminar class (Tuesdays/Thursdays from 2pm-3:40pm). During this class, students travel from one teacher to another and locating your student in a short period of time may be tough or impossible to do;
- May be in a club meeting or an impromptu rehearsal;
- May be skipping their current class (I know, that would never happen with your student $\stackrel{\cdot}{\ominus}$) and we are unable to locate your student in a timely manner.



Although we have just started the school year, we have already seen an overwhelming amount of phone calls for not only attendance issues but early releases for students at the last minute. We ask for your patience as we try to handle your phone calls throughout the day. If your appointment or early release is in the afternoon, **PLEASE CALL IN THE MORNING** so we can prepare a pass for your student and allow us to track down your student throughout the day. We will give your student their pass and they just need to show their teacher the pass, in which the pass will show the time of their checkout. We understand there are emergencies that do occur and we do our best to accommodate for these situations.

School ends at 3:40pm EACH DAY. Releases AFTER 3:00pm may not be possible.

PLEASE PLAN AHEAD! CALL ATTENDANCE DIRECTLY: (970) 348-5014.



When students are late to school or are returning to school from an appointment, student should enter through the West Entrance and head to the Attendance Office to get a pass to class. If the student was at a doctor/dentist appointment, you can send that doctor/dentist note with the student and the Attendance Office will completely excuse that absence without the parent having to call the student in. While the doctor/dentist note may not be required, **by providing the doctor/dentist note**, **your student's absence will not count towards their 80 single period absence count** (remember, a parent/guarding can call in to excuse a student's absence up to 80 single period absences within a school year without needing a note, <u>unless on truancy or on an</u> attendance contract).

Extra security measures have been put into place this school year with our North and West Vestibules. If you have an appointment with someone in the Main Office, Counseling Office, or with a Teacher, please make sure to have a **VALID government issued ID** with you. All visitors will be scanned through our Raptor system and a valid government issued ID is required. These measures have been put in place to not only protect your children, but also to protect our staff.





PICTURES TAKEN WITH LIFETOUCH THIS SCHOOL YEAR

Picture day has come and gone. We had our fall registration dates where students could get their school photos taken. We then had a make-up picture day on Thursday, October 12th. Unfortunately, October 12th was our last day for school photos this year.

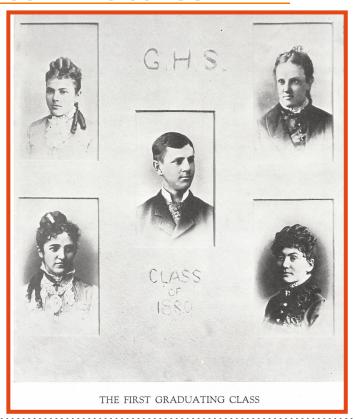
For parents/guardians wishing to order pictures from your August & October picture days, you may visit mylifetouch.com and order using the student's Student ID#. Specific picture day codes are no longer needed for late orders! Orders placed online from here on out will be shipped to the parents' homes.

You can save yourself a little money by clicking the "Redeem Now" link below and entering the following code to get 10% off your order.

ENJOY 10% OFF your order!

CODE: F2023100FF

EXPIRES: May 1, 2024 Redeem Now



TARDY POLICY

In an effort to get students to class in a timely manner and attend their classes, GCHS has reinstated our tardy policy which began in January of 2023. If a student receives more than three tardies or unexcused absences in a single week, they will receive a detention for each tardy after the first three and 2 detentions for each unexcused absence.

Examples:

- If a student is tardy to 4 class periods with 0 unexcused absences they will receive one detention
- If a student has 5 unexcused absences they will receive 4 detentions because 5-3=2 and they receive 2 detentions for unexcused absences.
- If a student has 2 tardies and 2 unexcused absences they would receive 2 detentions because 4-3= 1 and unexcused absences receive 2 detentions.

Tardies and unexcused absences will be pulled weekly on Fridays after school and students will receive their detentions to serve the following week. Students that are habitually tardy or absent will receive greater consequences leading up to suspension.

If a student feels that they were not absent or tardy to a specific class, the student will need to speak with the teacher in which that tardy/absence was given. If there is a correction to be made, the teacher would either write a note for the student to give to the Attendance Office or the teacher will email the Attendance Office directly and get the tardy/absence in question cleared.

The best way to make sure there is no confusion and that the student does not get a detention is to be on time to class and not skip classes without an excused absence.





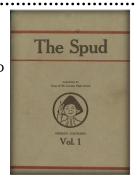
PURCHASE YOUR YEARBOOK NOW!

Buy your 2023-2024 Yearbook Today for the LOWEST price of the year. Students are back at school making new memories with their friends! Be sure to order the one book that captures the activities, spirit, and unique qualities of your child's school. Purchase your copy online by **CLICKING THIS**

LINK or by going to www.jostensyearbooks.com

For questions, please speak with or email Mrs. McGlaughlin (jmcglaughlin1@greeleyschools.org)

GCHS Yearbook webpage: CLICK THIS LINK



The 1909 SPUD (1st Yearbook Published)

MESSAGE ABOUT TESTING

Throughout the year, we assess students on a variety of standardized tests. Some are for the student, like the ASVAB and SAT, where the results directly impact their post-graduate plans. Some tests are for the student AND school, like CMAS and (P)SAT, to ensure that we are providing access to grade level work. Some are more often administered for grade level data dives, like the NWEA. This series of tests progresses through all grades, and allows teachers to see where a student is



performing, learn about possible gaps in knowledge and determine how to best address them. Teachers utilize all tests for growth of students, no matter how long the data takes to return to the school. In this day and age of technology, it is how many things are assessed. From fortune 500 companies to sports, data drives growth, and is an integral component of our education system. We encourage you to sit and discuss the importance of testing with your child, and know that we are very excited for all students to do their best so we can show them, and Greeley Central High School, in the best light possible.

On January 23rd, we will begin WIDA/ACCESS testing for students who know a 2nd language. This test helps determine language development of English learners. A student MAY test out of this assessment if he/she levels up, so if your child is a 2nd language learner and hasn't tested out of WIDA, PLEASE encourage him/her to do his/her best! WIDA consists of 4 tests that will be administered over a day-and-a-half and measures Reading, Listening, Speaking and Writing in the English language.

This year, our school has been chosen to give the NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress). This assessment includes 50 randomly chosen Seniors and will test in either Reading or Math. The NAEP test will take place on January 30th. If your child has been chosen, we will notify you mid-January.

And - Juniors are gearing up to take their state required SAT assessment in April. To prepare, all Juniors will practice during Seminar using Khan Academy. Khan Academy has proven to be a great resource for preparing students for high stakes testing such as the SAT. Please ask your child to show you his/her progress! Thank you for supporting your children, it is our pleasure to educate them!

Elizabeth Garcia Central High School Testing Coordinator Jim Butterfield NWEA Assessment Coordinator





WILDCAT CHEER TRYOUTS

Check out the flyer below for Cheer Tryouts for next school year.

Register at: https://linktr.ee/gchswildcatscheer

Contact Coach Lexi at Ahernandez126@greeleyschools.org with questions.

Tryouts/clinics will be held April 22nd-April 26th. More details will follow.







TRAVEL TO ENGLAND!

There are still a few spots available on our "Literature in England" EF Tour! This 10-day trip is planned for June/July of 2025. All grades are welcome to enroll. Family members can enroll too!



To sign up for this trip, visit this site:

https://www.eftours.com/tour-website/2692746AT. For more information, please email Marissa Harwood at mharwood@greeleyschools.org.

PROM 2024: SAVE THE DATE







GREELEY CENTRAL HALL OF FAME

On December 14h, 2023, Wildcats gathered from near and far to celebrate the induction of the following stellar athletes into the 2023 GCHS Hall of Fame:

- Addy Neibauer: 2009-2013 Track & Field
- Allie Parks: 2007-2011 Cross Country and Track & Field
- Tony Mustari: 2001-2005 Wrestling
- **Konnie Mackey:** 1977-1980 Gymnastics, Basketball, and Track & Field
- Harry 'The Horse' Hinzelman: 1957-1960 Tennis and Basketball
- Larry Hoffner: 1953-1956 Football & Basketball
- Frank Carbajal: 1953-1956 Basketball and Baseball
- **Dale Thompson:** 1952-1973 Basketball Coach
- Pete D'Amato: 1943-1969 Baseball Coach
- 1957 Baseball State Championship Team
- 1951 Football State Championship Team



Click this link to see the YouTube video from this year's ceremony.

Click this link to view information from this year's (and last year's) ceremony.



We will have our last Parent Teacher Conference for semester 2 on Thursday, April 11th. More information will be posted as we get closer to this event.

As of this newsletter, the format for these conferences have not been determined. We typically hold our last conferences in our arena format but we may hold these last conferences in the same format as our February conferences.

Conferences on April 11th will be held from 4:30pm-7:30pm. Parents/guardians should enter through the West entrance to find teacher locations.



SEMESTER 1 HONOR ROLL (3.0+ GPA)

We want to congratulate all of those students who made the Semester 1 Honor Roll (CLICK THIS LINK FOR HONOR ROLL NAMES).

These names are posted in the GCHS Academics shadowbox near the ramp in the West Entry. Congratulations again!

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THE ARC OF WELD COUNTY FILM FESTIVAL

The Arc of Weld County presents their annual film festival. This festival will take place at Greeley Central High School on **March 28th**, **2024**. There will be day & evening shows and the times will be determined at a later date. Information is given in the flyer below but you can also call Debbie Fatomiloye at (970) 353-5219 extension 5 or email her at **debbie@arcweldcounty.org** for more information. Submissions are due by **March 1st**, **2024**. Top film submissions win a \$500 prize!



13TH ANNUAL MARY AND DAVE YOUNG CELEBRATION OF IDD INCLUSION AND INNOVATION

Sponsored by Walt Francis in honor of The Greeley High School Last Class of 1965

Join us at the festival!

March 28th, 2024 Greeley Central High School Auditorium: 1515 14th Ave, Greeley Times: 10:15am, 1pm, & 6pm



Hosted by:



Beat Buddies



Create & Submit a film!

We are seeking local film submissions to be featured at our film festival on March 28th 2024! FILM SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

- Theme: Let's ART together!
- Film submissions must have disability inclusion to be eliqible for the prize.
- We strongly encourage people with disabilities to create and/or be part of the film creation process.
- Films 1-3 minutes in length will only be considered.
- Films must be submitted by March 8th, 2024, end of day.

To RSVP (preferred but not required), submit films, or inquire further please contact Debbie Fatomiloye at 970-353-5219 ext. 5 or debbie@arcweldcounty.org

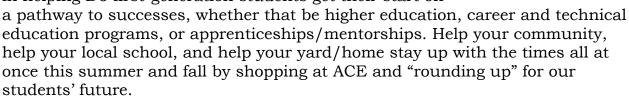
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HELP SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL...

- Support our AVID program by visiting your local Ace Hardware with the ACE Hardware/District 6 AVID Round-Up Fundraiser.
 - You can help District 6 AVID students at Greeley Central, Greely West, and Northridge, all while finishing your summer and fall home improvements. Starting on July 10, 2023, ACE Hardware customers can "round up" their purchases and help fund scholarships at each school for graduated AVID seniors. Every penny counts in helping D6 first-generation students get their start on



- Visit Ace Hardware at **3540 W. 10th Street** or **2626 11th Avenue** and ask to round up your purchase at the register to go towards AVID students in District 6!
- Support our school at American Furniture
 Warehouse. See flyer below for more information.







