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NEWSLETTER

February 2021



MARK YOUR CALENDAR IMPORTANT DATES

FEBRUARY

- Feb. 2** • ASVAB Test for grades 10-12 @ 1:00 p.m.
- Feb. 6** • AcaDec Multiple Choice Tests & Super Quiz
- Feb. 19** • Attendance 7 Due
- Feb. 20** • GHS Cross Country Clovis North Invitational
- Feb. 22** • STEM Conference for Girls
- Feb. 26** • GHS Cross Country Sanger Invitational

MARCH

- Mar 3** • Spelling Bee
- Mar. 4** • GHS Cross Country Woodward Park (Dinuba) Invitational
- Mar. 5** • Spelling Bee
• CA Streaming Photo Contest Submission Deadline
• ARTSFEST Submission Deadline
- Mar. 12** • GHS Cross Country Roughrider Invitational



PUBLIC NOTICE WSCS BOARD MEETING March 9, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

This meeting will be by teleconference pursuant to Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20.

[CLICK HERE](#)
for more information

ATTENDANCE
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ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS



CONGRATULATIONS GHS STUDENT JACKSON ROEDER

on your 2nd place win in the Oakhurst Sierra Rotary Club's
Speech Contest!! We are proud of you!



2020 AP[®] CSP Female Diversity Award



Glacier High School is proud to be a recipient of the College Board's Female Diversity Award for AP Computer Science Principles. Thank you Mr. Blas for your hard work!



2021 - SPELLING BEE Scheduled for March 3rd and 5th Please sign up by February 12th

It's now officially time to sign up for the Spelling Bee! How the bee will be conducted will depend upon the number of students participating and parent responses.

CLICK HERE
to sign up

Showcase Your Artistic Expression

2 opportunities for K-12 Students

The 2021 California Streaming Digital Photography Contest is officially open.



Theme: Humanity

Winners: six students and two teachers will win a digital video camera. A Kindergarten student was a winner of this contest in the past, so all ages are invited to participate.

Submission Deadline: March 5th

ARTSFEST 2021

The 7th Annual Madera County Art Contest is for any student in K-12.



Categories include:

2-dimensional, 3-dimensional, and still photography.

Students will submit artwork to MHS & GHS coordinators, Mrs. Klang or Mrs. Neulinger no later than March 19th. MHS/GHS staff to be entered and submitted to Madera County Superintendent of Schools. **Event form & artwork due to us by Friday, March 5th! Pick-up your entry information & art category info at the school!**

Artwork will then be judged by trained artists with winners' pieces being displayed in a virtual art gallery event on May 1, 2021.



ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS



GLACIER HIGH CROSS COUNTRY

The 20/21 Cross Country Season

Is finally here!

It has been a long wait but the Cross Country season is finally here. Even though the team did not know if and when there would be a Cross Country season, the Glacier High Cross Country team continued to meet regularly for practice.

I am very proud of their hard work and diligence in the efforts to improve their running skills and working as a team by encouraging and supporting each other.

Glacier High Cross Country team consists of Cole Murauszewski, Zhenka Beams, Lola Beams, Camryn Mills, and Courtney Curry. When you see them, give them a high-five or a knuckle bump for working so hard in their efforts to represent our school through their athletic talents.

As we enter into the new season wish them luck. Their first Invitational will be on February 20th at Clovis North.

Yearbook Pictures/8th Grade Baby Pictures

Every year we do an 8th grade baby pictures page, please send in those adorable baby pics! If you need them scanned, drop off the labeled picture in Mrs. Meeks' box and it will be returned to you. In addition, please submit pictures of your children doing projects, science experiments, art designs, building stuff, "attending" math class or doing their work from home!

Please include your student's name and grade level with their picture.

Send to: kmeeks@wscsfamily.org

If you have any questions: email or call Mrs. Meeks at 642-1422 ext. 105

The deadline to submit pictures is March 1st.

STEM Virtual Conference for Girls

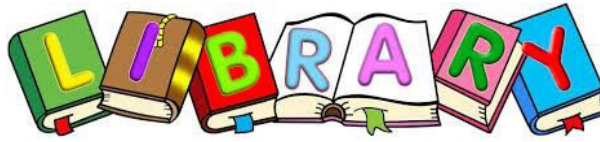
Monday, February 22, 2021

2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

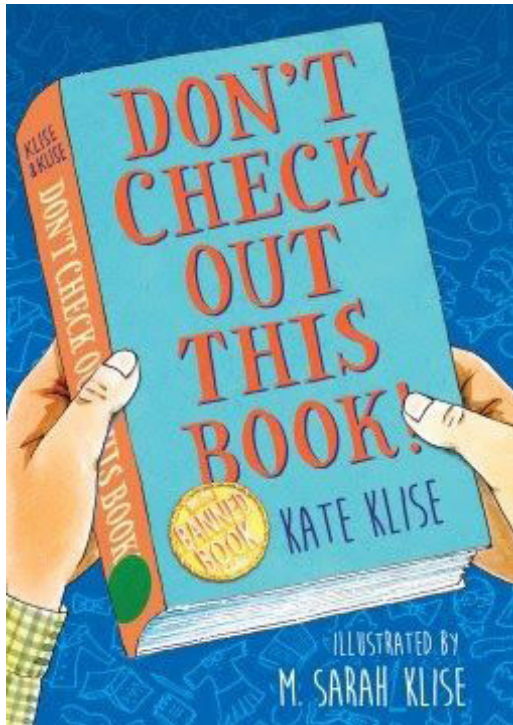
ZOOM

Fresno County is hosting a virtual STEM Conference for girls. It will be held via Zoom on Monday, February 22nd from 2:30-4:00. Female professionals in various STEM fields will be presenting. This will be open to 7th and 8th grade girls. The cost of this event is \$10 each and there are limited spots (10 students max). The deadline for payment is Thursday, February 4th. Please pay Cheryl at the front desk. If you have any questions please contact: Mrs. Meeks at kmeeks@wscsfamily.org or 559-642-1422 ext. 105

HAPPENINGS IN OUR



Head over to the school web page and check out the “Librarian’s Corner”. You will find it on the drop down menu under “resources”. Our new Book Bag request form is there for you to request a selection of books carefully selected by our librarian for your student. I hope you all will go check it out.



New Book Review

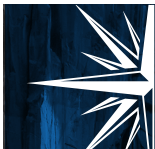
Don't Check Out This Book

By Kate Klise

Is the sweet town of Appleton ripe for scandal? Consider the facts:

- Appleton Elementary School has a new librarian named Rita B.
- Dangerous. (Say it fast.)
- Principal Noah Memree barely remembers hiring her.
- Ten-year-old Reid Durr is staying up way too late reading a book from
- Ms. Dangerous’s controversial “green dot” collection.
- The new school board president has mandated a student dress code that includes white gloves and bow ties available only at her shop.

Sounds strange? Fret not. Appleton’s fifth-grade sleuths are following the money, embracing the punny, and determined to get to the funniest, most rotten core of their town’s juiciest scandal. Don’t miss this seedy saga!



POEMS OF THE MONTH

February

The sun rides higher
Every trip.
The sidewalk shows.
Icicles drip.
A snowstorm come,
And cars are stuck,
Though road salt flies
From the old town truck.
The chickadees
Grow plumb on seed
That Mother pours
Where they can feed,
And snipping, snipping
Scissors run
To cut out heart
For everyone.

by John Updike



Photo by Tobias Bjorkli from Pexels

Groundhogs Day

Around the corn, down the road,
and right next door to Mr. Toad.
lives Mr. Groundhog in a home
made of mud and dirt and loam.

Now Goldie says he's very shy,
a quite retiring sort of guy.
He never stays up very late;
he never goes out on a date.

In fact, except for once a year,
nobody even knows he's here.
But come that day, and Mr. G.
goes right outside to see if he
can see his shadow on the ground.

First he looks up, then he looks down,
and if he spies it, goes back home,
back to that house of dirt and loam.

Of course, if he no shadow spies,
it isn't thought a great surprise.
He still just shrugs and goes right home,
back to that house of dirt and loam.

No shadow means an early spring;
a shadow seen – the other thing:
a long winter, lots of snow,
and icy winds that shill and blow.

I cannot think that it's much fun
to live away from shy and sun
and only come out once a year,
but Goldie says that's why he's here.

His job's to do the best he can,
for he's the woodland Weather Man.

By Jane Yolen

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THE 39TH ANNUAL ACADEMIC DECATHLON ACADEMIC *Competition is Coming To A Close!*

This year's theme is The Cold War.
Our Glacier High Team of students is preparing for their final events!!
February 6 Multiple Choice tests + The Super Quiz!
All Testing Will Be Held Virtually. The Public can watch the Super Quiz Online!!
The Super Quiz begins at 2:00pm on Feb 6th.



**CLICK HERE
to watch**

GO TEAM.....WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

with Greg Hill

Seniors: Community Awards / Scholarship information

The General Application for Community Awards and Scholarships is March 19, 2021.

CLICK HERE
for more Information

Seniors: Graduation is quickly approaching!

Please visit the glacierhighcharter.org website and click on Forms / Other Forms / Graduation Packet. Or click below:

CLICK HERE
for more Graduation Information

Here you will find General Graduation Information, Cap & Gown Information, Senior Slide Show Picture Information, and the Senior Questionnaire. Please go to the Endeavor website or click on the link above.

- Please email me your Cap and Gown info at ghill@wscsfamily.org.
- Senior Slide Show pictures and Senior Questionnaire is due to your advising teacher by March 2nd, 2021

Please email me at ghill@wscsfamily.org if you have any questions about anything!

ASVAB Test: 10th, 11th, 12 grades: February 2nd at 1 PM. To sign up (it's free) email ghill@wscsfamily.org or kfriesen@wscsfamily.org.

ASVAB stands for the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery, which is a multiple-choice test that helps you identify which Army jobs (Military Occupational Specialties) would be best for you. This test is an excellent resource even if you are not planning on enlisting in the military.

Seniors interested in attending one of our local community colleges: (Fresno City, Oakhurst Center, Madera Center, Clovis Community, Reedley College) may apply with priority registration through the "Registration To Go" Program.

Local Community College "Registration To Go" steps

1. Application: Should be completed
2. Online Orientation: Should be completed
3. Counseling / Advising with Student Educational Plan: Feb/March
4. Registration for classes: April if above steps are completed

SENIORS: FAFSA AND MONEY MATTERS

All seniors planning on attending any college or a career technical school: FAFSA application should be completed by now.

CLICK HERE
to Apply to FAFSA

Look for college/trade school scholarships for wherever you apply. Both community colleges and universities have opened their scholarship application window.

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