



GSMST Newsletter

December 18, 2017



Mark Your Calendars

December 18-20: Early Release, *Student pickup at 12:15, No lunch or afternoon buses*

December 21, 2017 - January 3, 2018: Winter Break

January 4: First Day of Second Semester



Final Exams

Final Exam Schedule:

- 12/18: 2nd period exam (8-10:00), 3rd period exam (10:15-12:15)
- 12/19: 4th period exam (8-10:00), 5th period exam (10:15-12:15)
- 12/20: 6th period exam (8-10:00), 7th period exam (10:15-12:15)



Important Information about December 18-20:

- School ends each day at 12:15.
- Free breakfast to all students will still be served each morning.
- No lunch will be served. Chick-fil-A biscuits will be sold during the break between exams each day.
- No exams can be given early.
- No checkouts.
- We have morning buses, but no afternoon buses; please make arrangements to pick up your child.
- Students can purchase a daily parking pass for \$2/day in the Attendance Office.
- Please check the portal to see if you have any overdue books or printing fees. You can return books and pay fees in the SRC. You can also pay fees online through [MyPaymentsPlus](#).
- January 3rd is the make up day for missed exams.

PSAT Scores for 9th-11th Grade

9th-11th graders are now be able to access their PSAT scores online, via the College Board account they created.

We will provide hard copies of the PSAT scores during Advisement on January 10 for students who are not able to access their scores.



Summer 2018 Junior Fellowship Experience

Mandatory Attendance Dates: May 29-June 1 and July 23-July 26

Approximate Summer School Enrollment \$100

- Summer JFE is by choice and through approval. Students must be in good academic standing to participate in a summer JFE. It will otherwise be scheduled for 7th period either fall or spring semester.
- If more students apply than there is space available, grades and attendance will be used in the acceptance process.
- Opportunity postings with application directives will be available through eCLASS beginning in February.
- Students will need reliable internet access to submit work through eCLASS throughout the summer.
- ALL summer JFE students are required to attend the mandatory attendance dates listed above. Only students who are participating in a residential academic program will be excused from one of those weeks and these students will still be required to submit work on time. Other absences will result in the student being dropped from the summer roster. No refunds will be disbursed for students dropped due to non-attendance on a mandatory date.



There will be a JFE information session for students and parents on Curriculum Night, Thursday, March 1st.

Lost and Found

Our Lost and Found boxes are starting to overflow.

If students are missing any clothing items or lunch boxes/water bottles, please have them check the Lost/Found boxes located in the cafeteria, next to the vending machines, and in the lower lobby of the Tower. Students should check in the Attendance Office for lost jewelry, graphing calculators, phones, etc.

At the end of the semester, all Lost and Found items not claimed are given to local charities.



BYOD for Your Student

If you are considering purchasing a laptop or tablet for your student as part of the BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) initiative, GCPS has information to help guide your purchasing plans.

This information can be found [here](#).



Study Abroad Information

Costa Rican Animal Sanctuary

Ms. D'Antonio and Ms. Santana will be leading a school trip to Costa Rica for a week of study abroad from 3/31/18-4/7/18. [Click here](#) to learn more information about this wonderful opportunity!



Parking Permit for Students

Student Parking is now \$40 for the remainder of the year. Students must bring the money along with [this completed form](#), drivers license, and proof of insurance to the Attendance Office.



Before school and after school supervision, please provide transportation.

Please ensure the safety of your student and others by not:



- dropping off in the faculty lot of GSMST
- dropping off in the faculty lot of Maxwell
- unloading your child in McElvaney Lane
- unloading your child in the serpentine lines
- picking up your child in any location above.

Only students taking a zero period can be dropped off in the front parking lot.

On Mondays, students must be out of the building by 3:15 PM since all teachers are in school-wide meetings. On Tuesdays-Fridays, students must leave the building as soon as the SRC closes (4 PM) or as soon as their activity ends. Please be at school, ready to pick up your child when the activity ends. Students will have to stand outside to wait for their ride and cooler weather will be coming soon. Students are not allowed to enter the building before 6:15 AM. Thanks for your help.

MyPaymentsPlus



MyPaymentsPlus is a one stop shop for all your back to school needs. Visit the site [here](#) to pay for parking permits, lockers, lunches, etc. or you can pay for parking and lockers in the Attendance Office.

Infinity Cafe

[Click here](#) for free and reduced lunch information. You can find what is on our menus [here](#). For information on the GCPS charge policy, please [click here](#).



2017-2018 Information

GCPS and GSMST Student/Parent [Handbooks](#)
GSMST Bell [Schedule](#)



School Spirit!

Hoodies & Laptop Bags Now Available!

Order your spirit wear and accessories online at the [GSMST School Store](#) 24/7 and pick up your order in the GSMST front office anytime between 7:00 AM-3:45 PM on school days.



GSMST Important Reminders

- NO cost for breakfast for all students!

- Visitor badges must be worn while visiting, volunteering, etc. This is to keep our school safe.

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