



GSMST Newsletter

January 19, 2016



Mark Your Calendars

January 22, 2016: 9th Grade Speaker Series

February 5, 2016: International Night

February 15, 2016: Student Holiday

Way to go Science Olympiad



Congratulations to GSMST's Science Olympiad Team A, which placed 7th out of 56 teams at Saturday's Brookwood Invitational Science Olympiad Tournament. Click [here](#) for a listing of all medal winners.

PSAT Scores



All 9th -11th graders can view/download their PSAT score report via <https://www.collegeboard.org/>. Students must create a College Board Student Account if they have not already done so. The score report shows the Total Score, a breakdown of subscores and cross sections, and a listing of all problems. Students can see which problems they missed, the level of difficulty, and an explanation of how to get the correct answer.

The VIEW DETAILS button on the report shows students in which areas they need to strengthen their skills to be ready for college. Students should click on the Khan Academy Link on their report, create a Khan account, and grant permission for Khan to access their PSAT scores. They will then receive a free, personalized SAT practice focusing on specific skills they need to strengthen.

If students don't see their scores after logging in, they should click the "Add Scores" button. Make sure the year of administration is set at 2015.
If students still cannot access their 2015 scores, they need to contact the College Board at 866-433-7728 or psathelp@info.collegeboard.org.

The new PSAT Max Score is 1520.
Evidence-Based Reading & Writing Score (EBRW): 760 max
Math Score: 760 max

Students should look at their percentiles to see how they performed compared with other test takers in their grade level.

GSMST Averages: click [here](#)
We encourage you to look at this very informative report with your student!

Mix and Mingle with PTSA

Please join us for a PTSA Mix and Mingle on Friday, January 22, at 7:45 am. This is a great opportunity to hear what our PTSA is doing, as well as learning ways you can support GSMST. Coffee and desserts will be served.

GSMST Yearbooks

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The final deadline to guarantee your student gets a yearbook will be this Thursday, January 21 at midnight. We will be placing our order with the yearbook company on Friday. We will, of course, order extra copies of the yearbook to sell, but we cannot guarantee that there will be enough for every student who might want one. Buy your yearbook today to make sure that your student gets a yearbook. To process your order, please click here: <http://balfour.com>.

Attention Seniors: Final Exam Exemption

2nd Semester Exam Exemption Information for Seniors click [here](#)

A note from PTSA: International Night is coming soon!

Once again, the GSMST PTSA will be sponsoring International Night on Friday, February 5th, 2016. This is going to be a fabulous event! There will be food tastings, crafts, entertainment, etc. There will be over 1,000 people in attendance! Because of the great success last year, we are once again holding a Silent Auction at the event. The proceeds from this event will go towards school improvements, support for various clubs, support for teachers, staff, and students, PTSA programs, and student scholarships.
We are asking for donations such as sporting event tickets, golf foursomes,

merchandise, electronics, gift cards, vacation home usage, other event tickets, services, or any other items you think would be appropriate. All donations are fully tax deductible.

If you are a business owner, work for a business, or have family and friends who would be willing to donate, or have any questions, please contact Helen Loyd at loyd3314@charter.net. We will provide a donation receipt for tax purposes.

GSMST School Store

Visit the store [here](#) and order your spirit wear, school supplies, etc. today. Please email laura_ridderhof@gwinnett.k12.ga.us and place your order with her today. The orders can be picked up in the front office once they've arrived.



NHS Tutoring available

The National Honor Society is providing tutoring opportunities for all grade levels. 9th grade: For all subjects will begin this week. If you are struggling in LA, Chem, Phys/Eng, or Math, you can come after school and receive help from NHS and Beta members.

What do you need to do to be able to come?

You must sign up every week you wish to attend a help session before that Wednesday at 4:00 PM. The help session will take place in Ms. Minton's room on Thursdays starting this week on 9/18/15 from 3:00 - 4:00.

You must leave after tutoring is over; you must arrange rides and leave campus at 4:00 PM. click [here](#) to register

10th/11th/12th grade: click [here](#) to register

GSMST Parking Permits

The student parking cost for the 2015-2016 school year is \$30.00. All students who want to park on campus must return the form below to the Attendance Office along with the following three items:

1. \$30.00 - cash or check (payable to GSMST)
2. A copy of your current proof of insurance.
3. A copy of your driver's license.

[Parking Permit Form](#)

Before school and after school supervision, please provide transportation.

On Mondays, students must be out of the building by 3:15 since all teachers are in school-wide meetings.



On Tuesdays - Fridays, students must leave the building as soon as the SRC closes (4pm) 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 cold weather will be coming soon. Students are not allowed to enter the building before 6:15 a.m. Thanks for your help.

GSMST Upcoming Events and Reminders

- Visit balfour.com to buy your yearbook today!
- Mondays are reserved for teacher professional development. Students are to leave campus by 3:00 p.m.
- Visitor Badges must be worn while visiting, volunteering, etc. This is to keep our school safe.

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