



GSMST Newsletter

January 25, 2016



Mark Your Calendars

February 5, 2016: International Night

February 15, 2016: Student Holiday

Parent Survey

The Georgia Parent Survey is modeled after the student survey and contains 24 questions. All parents are encouraged to participate in the Georgia Parent Survey because the data will be used as part of the calculation of the School Climate Star Rating. Please click [here](#) to access the survey and thank you for your time in completing.



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!

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.

Click [here](#) if you'd like to volunteer for the event.

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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