



GSMST Newsletter

November 9, 2015



Mark Your Calendars

November 10, 2015: Chorus and Jazz Band Concert @ 7:00 p.m.

November 13, 2015: 9th Grade Speaker Series

November 23-27, 2015: Thanksgiving Break

Science Olympiad News



GSMST competed in Forsyth Central High School's Invitational Science Olympiad Tournament this past Saturday. Thirty teams from schools across the state competed.

Team medals are not awarded in this tournament format; but 1st through 3rd place medals are awarded for individuals, teams of 2 or teams of 3 competitors in 21 events. In total, 63 event medals are awarded.

GSMST returned home with 17 of these medals sweeping all 3 medals in 2 earth science events - Hydrogeology and Dynamic Planet. (30 individuals competed; 20 medaled.) Students earning medals are in the attached [spreadsheet](#).

A note from our Counselors

Now is the time of year when many students and families begin getting information from colleges and other college-planning services. While we encourage you to read over any college material you may receive (you may discover a hidden jewel you never knew about!), we caution families to read carefully any information they receive from other companies. There are legitimate companies offering help with preparing for college and financial aid, however, there are also many companies that seek to prey on those who may be feeling anxious or may not know as much about the college application process. If you have any doubts about a letter you receive, a quick google search on the

company name can often give insight into the nature of that company. If you are still not sure, please feel free to contact your counselor and ask. Beware of any companies that offer "guarantees" of scholarship money or who want you to pay "processing fees."

All GSMST students will have the opportunity for an individual meeting with their counselor in the spring of their Junior year to discuss college processes and prospects. This year, we will also be holding a college fair and college workshop on April 26. This event will be open to all 9-11 graders, so mark your calendars now!

National Spanish Honors Society offers tutoring

Are you having trouble in your foreign language class? National Spanish Honors Society is offering tutoring for all foreign languages. Students needing help will be paired with an upperclassman taking a level 3 class or higher of the same language. Both individual and group tutoring lessons will be available. Sign-ups can be found [here](#).

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 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.



GSMST Study Abroad Opportunities

Chinese: China Trip 2016 check out Ms. Houg's website for more details. [GSMST STUDY ABROAD CHINA 2016](#)



GSMST Parking Permits

The student parking cost for the 2015-2016 school year is \$45.00. All students who want to park on campus must return the form below to the Attendance Office along with the following three items:

1. \$45.00 - 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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