

GHS EAGLE'S CORNER

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Assistant Principal's News

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WOW! Quarter one (I) is almost complete! It's hard to believe that we have been in school for two months! It's been an interesting two months, but we've managed to accomplish a lot! I'd like to encourage the following to all our students:

1. Advocate for yourself, and when you feel that you need to speak with Dr. Barnes or myself, please feel free to do so.
2. Be sure that you're doing your part; staying current with emails, completing assignments in a timely manner, communicating with the instructors when you don't understand.
3. Know your grades. All courses

provided a syllabus. Keep check of your grades by calculating your grade based on the graded work, or check FOCUS for high school grades, or check Canvas for college grades if your professors post them there.

4. Show up for any assessment that is required for you or communicate if you are unable to attend.

We are here to support you in your academic success. We are Team Gateway!

~ Dr. DT



COVID REPORTING PROCEDURES

Parents we encourage you to keep students' home who are ill, and/or experiencing COVID-like symptoms, or if they have been exposed to or tested positive for COVID. You all have been TERRIFIC thus far notifying us with information regarding quarantines and exposure to the virus. Students, please following procedures should you come in contact with someone who is positive or if you test positive yourself.

Step 1: Notify Dr. Downing-Townsend or a GHS instructor via email.

Step 2: Expect an email from Dr. Downing-Townsend with the link to self-report.

Step 3: Expect a call from the college regarding your self-report.

Step 4: Notify your instructors so that you can keep up with your assignments

Upcoming Events

- ◆ **ACT School Day**
(Seniors Only)
- ◆ **SAT School Day**
(Seniors Only)
- ◆ **PRIORITY REGISTRATION**



Trade, Workforce, College, Military, we can
PREPARE YOU!

Important Upcoming Testing Information

SAT School Day (College reporting) - October 13, 2021, MANDATORY for Seniors who have not passed FSA Reading or FSA Algebra 1 EOC. I will have an additional 28 seats available on a first come first serve basis for SENIORS ONLY who have already passed FSA.

MANDATORY for Seniors who have not passed FSA Reading or FSA Algebra 1 EOC. No additional seats will be available for this test.

IF YOU WORK, PLEASE MAKE ARRANGMENTS AS TESTING IS MANDATORY

ACT School Day (Non-college reporting) - October 19 - 21

Report Cards

Report Cards will be distributed on Wednesday October 13, 2021. Report Cards will be emailed to parents and students. The first report card will reflect the work of students in high school courses only. This report card will award .5 credits if students have earned a D or higher. Parents if you have questions regarding high school class grades, please contact the high school teacher.



“Teachers open the door, but you must enter by yourself” - Chinese Proverb

You can have access to instructors from the best schools in the world, but you still need to be willing to do the work, even when it's hard. If you can't do it alone, remember that asking for help is part of doing the work.



Student Meetings

Student meetings by class (2022, 2023, 2024) will be held once a month. The purpose of this meeting is to keep you informed of school events, school news, etc.... All meetings will be held via zoom and the link will be posted in the individual class bands. The meetings will be recorded for those who may miss it. Students, it will be your responsibility to review the information.

Parents Meetings

Virtual parent meetings will be held quarterly. The meetings will be held via zoom. The dates for the meetings are listed below:

October 19, 2021 @ 6:30PM

January 18, 2022 @ 6:30PM

April 19, 2022 @ 6:30PM



IMPORTANT DATES

October 7, 2021 - FAFSA information (virtual)

October 12, 2021 - NO high school classes (Teacher workday)

October 13, 2021 - High School Report distribution via email.

October 18, 2021 - Senior Pictures on Campus (must sign up online).

October 29, 2021 - last day to withdraw from a 16-week college class.

November 8, 2021 - last day to withdraw from a 12-week college class.

November 17, 2021 - last day to withdraw from a Fastrack 2 college class.

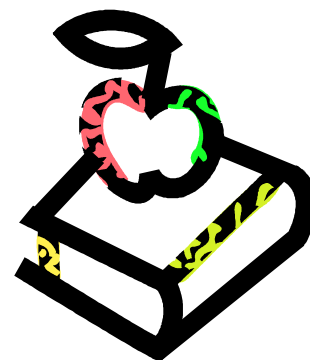
October 17-22, 2021, Spring College Registration requests. (This is for those who have passed Pert and are eligible for college classes. A link will be sent to those eligible along with a video on how to research classes.

TUTORING

We want to ensure that our students are getting the help that they need. For college classes, students have access to the TLCC in person and online via Canvas.

For college and high school, students should ALWAYS communicate with the instructor when they don't understand something. Fridays are used for remediation as students need it, but they must communicate and arrange

that with the teacher. Our teachers are here to assist. Parents for high school classes that students may be struggling in, please be sure remain in constant communication with the teacher.



Knowledge has a beginning but no end.

PERT

PERT testing is back! for a LIMITED TIME! You have two options for PERT testing; online from home with a webcam and reliable internet (ends October 20, 2021) or face-to-face on campus (ends October 22, 2021). **IF YOU ARE NOT PERT ELIGIBLE YOU CANNOT TEST. IF YOU ARE UNSURE, PLEASE SEND Dr. DT AN EMAIL.**

Please READ the instructions carefully.

If you take the test face-to-face the steps are

outlined below:

1. Sign up using the link below
2. Dr. DT will register you with the college to test
3. The college will send you an email for testing. **PLEASE BE SURE THAT YOU READ THOSE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.**

Dr. DT will check all students who sign up to ensure that they are eligible. If you have any questions, send her an EMAIL: mdowning-townsend@polk.edu

FACE-TO-FACE Testing sign-up link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040E49ACAD2DA7F49-pert2>

ONLINE FROM HOME Testing sign-up link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040E49ACAD2DA7F49-athome>

SENIOR CORNER

Ms. Jones and I will be scheduling senior check-in meeting (15-minute virtual meeting) starting October 11, 2021. You will need to sign up via the link that will be posted in your Class of 2022 Band and that will be emailed to all senior parents and senior students. Parents we **STRONGLY** encourage you to attend so that you know the high school graduation status of your senior student.



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Scheduling - Dr. Downing - Townsend & Ms. Jones

Enrollment/Textbooks/Attendance - Mrs. Murray

FOCUS (student and parent portal) - Mrs. Murray

College & Career - Mrs. Chandler

IEPS, 504's, Gifted - Ms. Jones

ESOL - Dr. Downing-Townsend

Lunch forms - Ms. Battle

Canvas - tblue@polk.edu

Passport- registrar@polk.edu

Email - 863-292-3652

Testing Coordinator - Dr. Downing-Townsend

Student Conferences - Dr. Downing-Townsend & Ms. Jones

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