



November 2, 2020

Greetings Parents & Students,

WOW! It's November already! Two months left in 2020! It's hard to believe that this year has gone by as quickly as it has. There have been some challenges, there have been some victories, but we are working together to ensure that the students have the resources that they need to be successful. There are some things that I would like to point out that's not occurring as often as I would like to see happen:

- a. Students not checking emails or band messages.
- b. Students waiting beyond deadlines for submissions or work, forms, etc...
- c. Students not utilizing the resources, posted in the Band app, Canvas or given via email, especially for tutoring via the TLCC virtually.
- d. Students not responding to emails or messages.
- e. Students not paying attention to details.

Our goal is the academic success of ALL students, but we can only do that if the students participate with us to ensure their success. We truly APPRECIATE the overwhelming support that we've received from our parents; THANK YOU! As we close out these next 27 academic days (per high school schedule) we want our students to FINISH strong! We are looking forward to a continued partnership, as WE ARE TEAM GATEWAY!

## November/December IMPORTANT DATES

11/11/2020 - 2nd Quarter Interim Reports & **YES WE HAVE SCHOOL THAT DAY**

**11/23-27/2020 - NO SCHOOL**

12/1/2020 - Parent Meeting via Zoom @6:30PM

12/3/2020 - Junior Picture Retake Day @8AM - 10AM (Sign-up sent via email)

**12/4/2020 - Senior Class Meeting Via Zoom @9AM**

**12/4/2020 - Junior Class Meeting Via Zoom @10AM**

12/9/2020 - Last Day of Fall College Courses

12/9-10/2020 - Geometry EOC (by invitation only)

**12/9, 10, 14/2020 - FALL College Textbook Return**

12/11/2020 - US History EOC (by invitation only)

12/11/2020 - Biology EOC (by invitation only)

**12/11/2020 - Fall College Grades Available online(Passport)**

12/15/2020 - Last Day of 2nd Quarter High School Classes

12/16/2020 - 1/4/2021 - WINTER BREAK

**1/3/2020 HIGH SCHOOL CLASS SCHEDULES WILL BE EMAILED**



## REMINDERS

- A. Students, if you missed your junior or senior conference and have general questions, please join Mrs. Chandler during her virtual office hours. **(The link can be found in Canvas on the main Gateway page)**
- B. Students if you have questions regarding scheduling, please contact Mrs. Chandler.
- C. Students if you have questions about a class, please **FIRST** contact the teacher of that class, then your mentor, then Dr. Downing-Townsend or Mrs. Chandler.
- D. Read your emails daily.
- E. Students when sending an email to a college professor or GHS faculty/staff please use your **my.polk.edu** email address.
- F. Be sure to read and follow all course syllabus carefully, including high school to know and understand the requirements from the teacher of the course.



**Send in athletic pictures to be featured in the GHS yearbook!**

Send them to:  
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**DON'T MISS OUT!**

**SMILING BEHIND THE MASK**

**SEND IN YOUR MASK-IES & MEMES**

**POLK STATE**

*Participate in the GHS 2020 yearbook by sending us your face-mask selfies and favorite memes!*

**REMINDER: ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE APPROPRIATE.**

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## Who Do I Contact? How Do I Contact Them?

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Mrs. Chandler – Scheduling, Junior/Senior Conference, Withdrawals, Transcripts, etc.. ([tchandler@polk.edu](mailto:tchandler@polk.edu))

Ms. Battle – Interact Club, SISTERS, Hearth Program, Supplies.... ([kbattle@polk.edu](mailto:kbattle@polk.edu))

Mrs. Murray – Textbooks, Records, Transcripts, Student Portal, Parent Portal, SGA, etc.. ([clmurray@polk.edu](mailto:clmurray@polk.edu))

Ms. Jones – IEP's, 504's, Mental Health, College Early Warning Alerts ([tajones@polk.edu](mailto:tajones@polk.edu))

Mrs. Ryan – NHS (National Honor Society), Biology, Physical Science ([aryan@polk.edu](mailto:aryan@polk.edu))

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**\*Parents please note that you can only contact high school course instructors regarding your students' progress/concerns in their class. Students should contact college course instructors and GHS staff using their my.polk.edu email account.**