Grand Ledge Public Schools

Hayes Highlights

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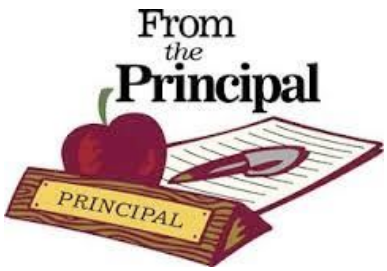
Martin Luther King Jr. Day
No School
January 15, 2018

1/18/18	Wrestling Meet vs. Bath @ GLHS Gym 3:00pm
1/18/18	Dominos Pizza Fundraiser Night



This past Monday evening, I presented the 1st Trimester Hayes ABC report at the GLPS School Board workshop in the Sawdon Conference room. The ABCs represent Attendance, Behavior and Course completion success data. These three categories are the main measures of students' potential to graduate from high school.

Attendance

Our attendance rate has gone down slightly from the previous three year comparison when the increased enrollment is factored into the equation. This year we have had 140 students miss 5 or more days during the first trimester compared to 141 and 153 the past two years, however our overall enrollment is up by 27 students. These numbers demonstrate that too many students are missing out on instruction. Indeed, 41 students have received the first truancy- warning letter with 7 students receiving the second warning letter, no students receiving a third letter, and one student being referred to the TIP (Truancy Intervention Program) through Eaton County. Chronic school absences are often a major factor in students' inability to finish high school. Generally, if a child misses one day, it's almost as if they've missed two days of school; there is the missed instruction and make-up work from the day missed as well as the new material from the return day. Students need to attend school regularly.

Behaviors

Our discipline referral rate has decreased by nearly 20% during the first trimester as compared to the past two years. Classroom disruption and student defiance accounted for 20% of the referrals. Unfortunately, many of these incidents were repeat offenders and the result of their behaviors was either in- or out-of -school suspensions. There is a high correlation between student behavior and

student achievement. The better the behavior, the greater the achievement.

Course Completion Rate (C or higher)
Our course completion rate continues to be very strong. Over 90% of our students received final grades of C or higher. There were 467 students that made the honor roll with all A's or all A's and B's. In contrast, 28 students received 2 or more F's. Many of these students are or will be part of an intervention, whether a class, check-in/check-out program, or truancy program for the second trimester.

In summary, we have some room for improvement with student success in course completion. We have several Intervention courses to help students read and compute numbers along with an after school Math Lab on Monday afternoons which is open to all students that need additional support with Math. We have our Mentoring and Tutoring program after school through Mr. Lester, our Student Success Coordinator. Our goal is to help all of our students to become successful learners.

Congratulations to the following students who were selected as Student of the Week this week:

- Sophia Johnston
- Chierie Chieh
- Isabella Nelson
- Noah Vandlen
- Megan Anderson
- John Rapson
- Merric Duffy
- Kaylah Higbee
- Nathan Droste

Winter Bowling Sign-up:

Who: All boys and girls in 7th & 8th grades
When: Tuesdays 2:30-5:00 pm beginning Tuesday, January 16.
Dates of Bowling are: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb. 6 and 13.
Where: Royal Scot Bowling Alley
Cost: A fee of $55.00

Sign up by January 12; turn in $25 with permission slip. Checks made payable to Hayes Middle School. $30 due on the first day of bowling, or pay $10 each week for 3 weeks. We need parent volunteers to drive each week. If you are interested in driving, please contact Mrs. Welton at weltona@glcomets.net

Mobile Food Pantry
Feeding Families in Our Community

City of Lansing HUMAN RELATIONS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT & the Greater Lansing Food Bank Announces the MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Distribution of FREE, fresh, non-perishable food items Saturday, January 20, 2018 (9 a.m. to 11 a.m. or until food runs out) St. Gerard Catholic School 4433 W. Willow Hwy. Lansing, MI 48917

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Geskus Photography will be at Hayes on January 30 to take candid photos for the yearbook!

Grief and Loss Group Starting Soon: The Hayes Counseling Department will soon be offering an 8-week small group experience for students who are having a hard time coping with the death of a family member of close friend. This group will be co-lead by Mrs. Schluckbier and a trained volunteer from Ele's Place- a Center for Grieving Children here in Lansing. The group will begin next week.

The first Wrestling meet with be on Monday, January 18 vs. Bath @ Grand Ledge High School.

The first girls basketball games will be January 22 with the 8th grade playing at home vs. Holt, and the 7th grade team will travel to Holt. Both games begin at 4:30pm.

In a couple of weeks the counselors will be going into the 7th grade English classrooms to present career lessons to 7th grade students. During the 2-day lessons students will become familiar with six Michigan Career Pathways. They will also begin to develop their EDP (Educational Development Plan) on Career Cruising. Students start their EDP in 7th grade and continue to work on their plan throughout high school. Each student will be given information to access their EDP through CareerCruising.com. We encourage you to login with your student and explore CareerCruising with them.