Good morning Hustlin' Hawks! Today is Monday, September 22, we are following a DAY 1 schedule, and these are your daily announcements.

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hispanic Heritage Month

In our second installment of announcements related to Hispanic Heritage Month, let's "TAC-O bout" food! One beloved aspect of Hispanic and Latinx heritage is the food... Think tacos, burritos, churros, cuban sandwiches, arepas, tamales, enchiladas, chimichurri sauce. The list goes on! With a blend of core ingredients like corn, meat, beans, and rice, traditional Latino cuisine is prominently featured alongside mainstream dishes. Latino food has always had a presence in the United States and is responsible for many cultural favorites, like Tex-Mex-style restaurants. According to the National Museum of the American Latino, these restaurants first gained popularity in the 1800s. Since then, Tex-Mex has been a staple in American culture, and these culinary influences continue to shape the culture of our nation... Lastly, shout-out to our Food Services team here at GHS who have added a few favorites to our lunch menu this month, including last week's burrito bowls, this week's tacos, and next week's nacho day. Happy week 2 of Hispanic Heritage Month!

Join SkillsUSA!

Are you ready to turn your passion into a profession? Do you want to build the skills you need for a successful career? Then you should join SkillsUSA, the career and technical student organization that helps you develop the technical and employability skills you need to succeed in the skilled trades, technical careers, and service occupations. To learn more, come see Mr. Germain in the woodshop (room 319). You can also sign up for an informational TSS on September 25 to get all the details. We hope to see you there!

ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rho Kappa

Rho Kappa, the National Honor Society for Social Studies, is currently accepting applications for the 2025-2026 school year. Students who meet the requirements and complete the application process will be considered for membership. Membership requirements include: having completed two core social studies classes (with an unweighted GPA of 3.0), being prepared to complete at least three social studies courses, having a cumulative GPA of 3.0; an interest in civic engagement, and a letter of recommendation from a GHS faculty member. Applications can be picked up in room 115 from Mr. O'Keefe or room 137 from Mrs. Way. Completed applications and letters of recommendation must be submitted to Mr. O'Keefe or Mrs. Way by 2:45pm on Wednesday, September 24.

College Visits

Juniors and seniors: A representative from WCTC will be at GHS on **Thursday, September 25** to meet with students. Stop in student services to sign up if you are interested in attending the meeting.

Optional ACT Sign-Up

GHS will not be holding a mandatory fall PreACT this year for 9th through 11th graders. We will be offering an optional ACT for any juniors and seniors who would like to practice for the spring ACT or improve from last year's scores, respectively. The ACT will be hosted at school the morning of **Tuesday, October 14**. The deadline to sign up is **Thursday, September 25** at 3 PM. Complete this form if you are interested, and Ms. Griffie will follow up with those students and families.

Freshmen Social

Attention freshmen: Link Crew will be hosting a freshmen social on **Thursday, September 25** to kick off homecoming week and celebrate the beginning of the school year. The social will take place from 2:50-3:50 pm and we will have root beer floats, popsicles, and yard games! We plan on hosting this event outside near bus pick up or in the cafeteria if the weather does not cooperate. Three freshmen Advisories with the most attendance will win a donut party for the next advisory period. See you there!

HOSA - (Health Occupations Students of America)

Hey students! Interested in learning about healthcare? Join **HOSA – Future Health Professionals** to explore careers, gain hands-on experiences, compete, and connect with others in the field or those that share your interests! It's only **\$30** to join. Sign up by **Thursday, September 25**! See Mrs. Richter in room 232 for more information.

Mu Alpha Theta

Mu Alpha Theta, the math honor society, is accepting applications. Please stop by Ms. Nordlund's or Ms. Rahmel's classroom to pick up an application. All applications are due to Ms. Nordlund or Ms. Rahmel by **Friday October 3** at 2:45pm.

DECA

Attention past and future DECA members! Membership forms are not due until early December; however, you have until **October 3rd** to guarantee receipt of this year's DECA shirt before Club/Org photo day. Also, registration is now open for the 2-night/ 3-day DECA Emerging Leaders Conference at the WI Dells! Space is limited, and there are only 12 spots left! Permission slips are in room 107 - Don't wait, reserve your spot today!

HOMECOMING

- Homecoming Court Voting Voting for Homecoming Court ENDS on Wednesday, September 24 at 3PM. Check your school email for a link to the Google Form.
- <u>Pep Rally Games</u> Homecoming week is right around the corner. There will be a pep rally on **Friday**,
 October 3. Student Senate needs 4 boys and 4 girls from each grade to participate in the tug of war game! Please contact Ms. Vogt, Ms. Groth, Katy Sockett, or Direct Message the Student Senate Instagram if you are interested in participating!
- Homecoming Dance Applications The application to attend the homecoming dance on Saturday,
 October 4 was sent out to your parents on Saturday via Parent Square. If you want to attend the dance, your parent/guardian must submit the Google form application. If you want to bring a guest from another school, pick up the paper application today from the table outside of the attendance office.
- Homecoming Parade/Junior-Sophomore Board Any sophomore or junior students interested in
 participating in the GHS homecoming parade should attend a meeting on Monday, September 22 in
 Ms. Back's room (118) immediately after school. Information about Junior Board and Sophomore Board
 will also be discussed at this time.

2025-2026 School Calendar - Click Here
Upcoming Athletic Events - Click Here

Upcoming Important Dates To Note

Friday, September 26: No School (Professional Learning Day)

Friday, October 3: Homecoming Parade & Game

Saturday, October 4: Homecoming Dance

Thursday, October 9: GHS Early Dismissal 12:40pm/GHS Family Conferences 3-7pm

Friday, October 10: No School - GHS Family Conferences 8-11am Thursday, October 23: No School (Professional Learning Day)

Friday, October 24: No School (Fall Break)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

At this time, please stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance along with Cadet Diaz and Cadet Rick.

I pledge allegiance to the flag
Of the United States of America
And to the republic for which it stands,
One nation, under God, indivisible,
With liberty and justice for all.