

Grand Mesa Middle School



February 2017

Jennifer Marsh, Principal | Scott Moore, AP | Jason Eidinger, AP | Jackie Walters, Secretary | Phyllis Taylor, Secretary

Important Dates

District Boys Basketball Tournament

February 2, 2017 TBD

Wrestling Practice Begins

February 6, 2017 @ GMMS

District Solo & Ensemble

February 10, 2017
2:00pm – 9:00pm @ GMMS

District Solo & Ensemble

February 11, 2017
7:30am – 4:30pm @ GMMS

Student Led Parent/ Teacher Conferences

February 15, 2017
3:00pm – 7:00pm @ GMMS

Wrestling Match

February 16, 2017
3:45pm @ BMS

No School – Middle In-Service

February 17, 2017

No School – President's Day

February 20, 2017

Wrestling Match

February 23, 2017
3:45pm @ OMMS

A Message From Principal Jennifer Marsh

Hello Timberwolf Community,

Parents and guardians, please mark your calendars, Student Led Conferences will be held this month on February 15th, from 3:00 – 7:00. Students and staff have been working hard in preparation of these conferences; please allow them the opportunity to present their work and their achievements to you. Be on the lookout for communication from your student's grade level teachers regarding details for this Celebration of Learning. Until conferences are held, please continue to be attentive to your student's progress by having conversations with him/her about the school day and check ParentVue often. If you have any questions or concerns, please email or call their teacher(s).

The same night of conferences, the 3rd quarter Parent Accountability Committee (PAC) will be meeting. During this meeting, we will review the GMMS 2016/2017 Unified Improvement Plan (UIP) with members of the District Accountability Committee. All are welcome and I hope you will join me February 15th, at 6:00 PM, in the Main Office Conference Rm.!

Boys basketball will be finishing up the beginning of the month and wrestling practice will begin on Feb. 6th. There will be a Solo and Ensemble Festival on February 25th for our Orchestra, Choir and Band students. There are more exciting events, learning, and celebrations planned for the second semester, we will keep you up to date and hope that you will be able to join us.

January proved to be cold and wet, and I expect February to be the same. Please make sure your student is dressed appropriately for the winter conditions. Students do go outside during recess if the temperature and wind chill are above 25 degrees.

In closing, please be sure to read and review the message regarding electronic device/cell phone use at GMMS.

Best,
Jennifer

Important Dates (Continued)

District Solo & Ensemble

February 24, 2017
2:00pm – 9:00pm @ GMMS

District Solo & Ensemble

February 25, 2017
7:30am – 4:30pm @ GMMS

6th & 7th Grade Band Concert

February 28, 2017 7:00pm
@ GYM

Wrestling Match

March 2, 2017
3:45pm @ GMMS

Wrestling Match

March 9, 2017
3:45pm @ GMMS

No School – Teacher Workday

March 10, 2017
3:45pm @ GMMS

From the Main Office

Parents/Guardians:

Please keep the office informed of any changes to your telephone number, home, cell or work and your mailing address. To update Emergency contacts, please stop by the office. If we can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at 254-6270.

Cell phones & Electronic Devices

Cell phones are a powerful tool for use in the 21st century. While we appreciate the important role that these devices play in promoting communication and also for use in the classroom, a significant number of our students continue to struggle with the appropriate use of this technology inside and outside of the classroom. With that, we will begin consistently reminding students with a week of warning that cell phones and other electronic devices are not to be used within the instructional day from 7:25 AM to 2:40 PM. The exception to this would be if a classroom teacher chooses to encourage the use of electronic devices for educational purposes or instruction within their classroom setting. Students who continue to struggle with the expectation will have their device confiscated and a parent may be required to pick the device up. We appreciate you reinforcing this expectation with your child.



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Warriors with Honors

Central High School Library

Thursday, February 9th

6:00-7:30 pm

You and your family are invited to learn more about all the amazing educational opportunities at **Central High School!**

During our **Warriors with Honors** program, you will have the opportunity to meet with faculty to learn more about the advanced classes

(Honors and Advanced Placement)

and unique opportunities that we are so proud to have at CHS! Whether your interest is in science, performing arts, social studies, business, world languages, English or STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math), this program gives you and your family the chance to explore your options!

We look forward to meeting you at this casual, fun and informative program!

Questions? Please contact the Central Counseling Office at 254.6200



There will also be a STEM Academy Informational Meeting from 6:30—7:15 in the Tech Ed room for those wanting to learn more about our Academy!