

Martin Luther King Jr. Assembly

Every year, Groves High School assembles to recognize the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. On Wednesday, January 15, during 1st hour, this year's assembly will involve the help of award-winning filmmaker and 2006 Groves Graduate Zachary Cornell Cunningham. With the assistance of students and staff, Zach has produced a short documentary film about Groves High School entitled "Living the Dream." The assembly will include student performances and the viewing of the documentary. Students will follow an altered schedule.

Altered Schedule for Wednesday, January 15

		Shuttle Departure
		7:15 a.m.
Hour 1-Students will report to 1 st hour and attend the assembly at this time.	7:30-9:36 a.m.	9:36 a.m.
Hour 2	9:44 – 10:42 a.m.	10:42 a.m.
Hour 3 (A lunch)	10:50 – 11:30 a.m.	11:25 a.m.
(Class)	11:30 – 12:31 p.m.	
Hour 3 (Class)	10:50 – 11:51 p.m.	11:51 a.m.
(B lunch)	11:51 – 12:31 p.m.	12:31 p.m.
Hour 4	12:39 – 1:40 p.m.	1:40 p.m.
Hour 5	1:48 – 2:50 p.m.	2:40 p.m.

Eighth Grade Parent Night

Groves will host an 8th Grade Parent Night on Thursday, January 16 beginning at 6:30 pm. Click here for additional details: [8th Grade Parent Night Information](#)

Sophomores and Juniors interested in Oakland Schools Technical Center (OSTC)

If you are interested in learning more about OSTC, you will want to participate in the student visitation for OSTC in which they showcase their cluster programs.

The next visitation will take place on January 28, 2020. Students must click on this link to sign up to attend the January 28 Showcase visit: <https://forms.gle/WuViyzZ16vnXarZL8> (you must select 4 clusters to visit on this date)

If you know that you would like for your student to participate in OSTC, you should sign up as soon as possible. Attendance for the 2020-2021 school year is on a first-come-first-serve basis. To sign up for OSTC, log on to : <https://www.ostconline.com/ostc-se> to complete the application.

If you have any questions contact your counselor for more information.

Lost and Found Items

Please check the Lost and Found area, located at the tables outside the attendance office, as it has many items. We will donate all items not claimed by January 17th. Smaller items such as phones, jewelry, glasses, and retainers can be found in the main office with Mrs. Roberts.

Counseling, College & Career Center News

Scholarships

Visit the [Scholarship Page](#) on the College and Career Center site for updates, happening daily. *Words of Wisdom: if a "scholarship" is asking for money to apply -- it's not a scholarship!*

Understanding your Financial Aid Package- January 21st

On January 21, from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in the Little Theatre, we will have a financial aid officer available to explain

information regarding financial aid awards. Stephanie Petsch, a Senior Financial Advisor from Eastern Michigan University, will answer frequently asked questions and individual questions. If you have general questions that you would like answered that evening, please submit here: [Financial Aid Night Questions](#).

College Week is Coming

- **Jan. 21, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**- Financial Aid Night (Little Theater).
- **Jan. 22, 10:15 - 12:30 p.m.** -College Fair in the Groves Commons. Over 25 Colleges and Universities will be at Groves for our annual College Fair.
- **Jan. 22, during Parent-Teacher Conferences**-Presentations from the Counseling Department during parent-teacher conferences. Also, check out the “Jobs I have Held” bulletin board outside the College and Career Center which is in the hallway near the 13 Mile doors, east of the office. Almost 70 staff members have shared their early career/job experiences.
- **Jan. 23, 10:15 - 12:30 p.m.**- Career Choices Day. Various direct-to-job-training, internship programs, and career programs will be in the Commons. Students can learn more about high-demand, well-paying jobs in metro Detroit.

College Fair

Since its inception, the Second Ebenezer Historically Black College and Universities (HBCU) College Fair on February 22, 2020, has impacted thousands of students and numerous representatives from colleges throughout the country. They will have informative workshops and recruiter sessions, which include onsite admissions, onsite scholarships, and various financial aid opportunities. ***Students must bring their Transcripts to qualify. Student Registration and Group Registration: <https://secondebenezer.org/college/>.

Community Events

Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service

Do something different with your day off to celebrate MLK Jr. Day and the legacy of Dr. King, join in our annual BPS Day of Service.

Who: You! All students (K-12), families, friends, and staff are encouraged to attend.

What: Hear from inspiring student speakers, and take part in a variety of service projects, benefiting local organizations.

When: Monday, January 20th from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Where: Groves High School

Why: Because you can make a difference!

How: Check out: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4cfa62da4fa7-2020> to sign up – spots are filling fast!

*Sponsored by the BPS Community School Organizers.

Athletics

For Schedules and Sports Information visit the Groves High School Website: www.grovesfalcons.com

Groves Boys Basketball

Help celebrate Groves' staff and cheer on the basketball teams! Please join the Boys JV and Varsity Basketball Teams on Friday, January 24th as they honor Staff Members for the annual Staff Appreciation Ceremony and Game. The ceremony will begin after the conclusion of the Freshman and JV basketball games around 6:45 p.m. before the Varsity team takes on Southfield High School.

Birmingham Girls Softball

Registration now open! Birmingham Girls Softball (BGS) is southeast Oakland County's largest girls' recreational softball league with over 300 players. BGS is a community-based, non-profit organization providing girls ages 6 to 14 the opportunity to play organized recreational softball. We are dedicated to teaching young ladies the

fundamentals of softball in a safe and fun environment with teamwork and good sportsmanship being our top priorities. BGS is open to all girls interested in playing softball for the first time and those with prior experience looking to build on and develop the skills needed to play the game for years to come. All that we require is a positive attitude and a willingness to learn. To register or for more information, please visit our website at www.Birminghamsoftball.com. For questions, please email Jeff Weber at jweb666@me.com.



Staff Highlight

Bess Muzlijaj

Position or Subject Taught

French

Education

Bachelor of Arts

Brief Bio

I graduated in 2007 in a small town in Switzerland and moved to the US that same summer. I worked for 6 years at the French School of Detroit and moved back to Switzerland. I worked there for a year before moving back in Detroit and worked at the French school for 4 years before starting last year here at Groves. I like to walk and make sure to walk 5 miles every day. My entire family lives in Europe-France-Switzerland). I like to paint and love watching soccer!!!

Something you may not know about me

I was supposed to stay only one year and then move back to Switzerland.

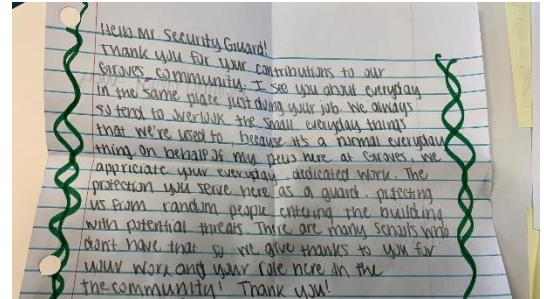
Favorite Quote

Strength does not come from winning. your struggles develop your strengths. When you go through hardships and decide not to surrender, that is strength.

Photos

Freshman Sophomore Shows are a hit! Thanks to the Senior directors and the Freshman and Sophomore actors. Special thanks to John Rutherford.

In a random act of kindness, a Groves student gives a thank you note to our security guard, Tony. #GrovesWay



Important Dates

Monday, January 13
Another Great Day at Groves

Tuesday, January 14
X-block
Birmingham African-American Network at the EAC at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 15
Altered Schedule
MLK Jr. Assembly- 1st hour

Thursday, January 16
X-Block
8th Grade Parent Night

Friday, January 17
Another Great Day at Groves

Thank you,
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