



WYLIE E. GROVES HIGH SCHOOL

Inspiring all learners to positively impact their world.



Regional Champions

Groves Varsity Women's Golf Team wins 1st place!

Groves Men's Varsity Tennis Team places 2nd!

Congratulations to both teams. Good luck at States!

Thank You for Attending Parent-Teacher Conferences

On behalf of the Groves' Staff, we would like to thank the parents/guardians who were able to attend parent-teacher conferences. If you were unable to attend, but need to speak with your child's teacher, please contact the teacher via email.

PTA Meeting- Monday, October 14th at 6:00 p.m.

Groves Media Center

Please join us for our monthly PTA meeting. All are invited. We will have former BPS Board member, Rob Lawrence, as a guest to discuss important information on the millage proposal. We hope to see you there!

October 14-18 is Digital Citizenship Week

Digital citizenship is more than online safety. It is the actions that create thoughtful, empathetic digital citizens who can wrestle with the important ethical questions at the intersection of technology and humanity. Here is a helpful link with activities you can use with your students ranging from 5-18 years old. <https://www.commonsense.org/education/digital-citizenship-week>.

Picture Retake Date

Lifetouch will be at Groves on Tuesday, October 15, beginning at 7:30 am. Students will have a chance to have their school pictures retaken during X-Block in the Commons.

If your student has not received his/her pictures from registration, please pick them up in the main office.

Groves Garage Sale

Join us for the Groves Garage Sale!

To volunteer, please click here: [2019 Garage Sale October 16-20](#). Looking for adult or experienced student volunteer leaders to assist with intake, set-up, sales floor, checkout, hospitality, and cleanup. We also need someone to arrange and pick-up and return carts to Market Fresh. Please contact Adam (adam_acey@yahoo.com) for more information.

To donate: Donation drop off days are Wednesday, October 16, 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Thursday, October 17, 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. We cannot accept large furniture, mattresses, tube televisions / CRT monitors, and treadmills.

To shop:

Join us Saturday, October 19 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Early entry at 8 a.m. for \$2
Sunday, October 20 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bag sale at 11 a.m. \$5 per bag

Take A Chance on Groves Performing Arts Company (GPAC)

It is time to "take a chance" on GPAC! MAMMA MIA comes to the Groves High School stage for fall of 2019.

You know the songs, you know the story, and you probably fell in love with the movie. Now is your chance to see what happens when the Groves Performing Arts Company, under the direction of Mr. John W. Rutherford, puts their special touch on this fun-loving ABBA inspired musical. With a cast of 60, a crew of 25 and an orchestra featuring some of Groves' top musicians, this show promises to be a delightful production indeed.

Non-stop laughs and explosive dance numbers, along with the magic of ABBA's hit songs that include "Super Trouper," "Dancing Queen," "Knowing Me, Knowing You," "Take a Chance on Me," "Thank You for the Music," "Money, Money, Money," "The Winner Takes It All," and "SOS," combine to have you dancing and singing in the aisles.

November 1, 2, 8, 9 at 7:00 p.m. and November 3 and 10 at 2:30 p.m.
Tickets available online at <https://grovesperformingartscompany.ludus.com/>

Groves Open House

Please invite your neighbors, family members, and friends to Groves' Open House. It will be held on Monday, November 4th from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Our Open House allows prospective families to take a tour of the building, learn about the curriculum, and meet staff and students. This is a wonderful opportunity to share Groves with our community. Please join us!

News for Parents of Seniors

Financial Aid for College

Hopefully, you have saved the night of October 29 at 6:30 p.m. for our Financial Aid Workshop. College Financial Aid Administrators will be here to go step by step in filling out the FAFSA form for your college-bound senior. Many colleges are now requiring the FAFSA to award college institutional money. Please register on the enclosed website. Those that register will be sent information as to what documents will be needed to complete your FAFSA. Please follow the link to register.

<https://forms.gle/6CPxqTWPqKZCPcy19>

Scholarship Profile

Attention Seniors! You can complete an online, confidential scholarship profile that points us toward specific scholarships that may fit you best. Follow this link to complete it, [Senior Scholarship Profile](#)

BPS Family Pride

BPS Family Pride is made up of LGBTQ+ families and allies who wish to show families that all you need is love. We have a ton of fun events planned for 2019-2020 school year and everyone is welcome. Details on these events can be found on our Facebook page @BPSFamilyPride or you can contact Christine Voss at bpsfamilypride@gmail.com.

BPS Family Pride 2019-2020 events:

October 13	Spicer Orchards Cider Mill in Fenton at 11 a.m.
November 16, 11:30 a.m.	Philanthropy Project Assembly in Bloomfield
December (date TBD)	Moonbeams at Beaumont
January 4 (evening event)	Social at Lemont's House
January 26, 4:00 p.m.	Family Friendly Showdown at Go Comedy (purchase tickets directly with Go Comedy)
February 3, 6:30 p.m.	Meeting at Greenfield to discuss challenges or biases our kids face in school
March 6	Bowling and Ice cream
April 24	Escape Room
May 29, 6:30-8 p.m.	End of year social on Greenfield playground

Parent PowerSchool Upgrade and Account Viewing

Currently, when logging into PowerSchool to see your students' grades, the page will only show the classes and the absences and tardies list. If you want to see the grades and assignments, you will need to go to the top of the screen under the main title: **Grades and Attendance – "Student Name"**. There is a smaller tab that says Grades and Attendance. When you double click on it, the student's grades will be revealed in the grid, and when you click on a grade, it will take you to the assignments page for that subject. If you do not wish to see the grades, simply go to the navigation pane on the far left and click the heading "Grades and Attendance" and they will be hidden again.

Substance Use Survey

Our prevention partner, Birmingham Bloomfield Community Coalition (BBCC), is conducting a brief survey to gain a better understanding of parental opinions and attitudes regarding underage substance use and mental health issues in our community. This information will help BBCC and your school better support you as a parent.

This survey is anonymous and will take approximately 9 minutes to complete. If you have a child 18 years of age or under, we would appreciate your input. Please click on the following link to begin: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BB_Parent

This survey will provide us with a greater understanding of our parents:

- Top concerns about their child's well-being
- Areas where they need support
- Preferred methods of receiving information and support
- Concerns and perceptions about substance use
- Concerns and perceptions about youth mental health
- Resource(s) for substance use or mental health support for their child

Reflections Contest

Calling All Artists! The National PTA Reflections Program recognizes student visual artists, photographers, dance choreographers, music composers, filmmakers, and authors. This year's theme is *Look Within*. Create original work and have your talents celebrated! The Deadline to submit entries is November 13, 2019. For more details go to https://www.birmingham.k12.mi.us/PTA_Reflections

Counseling, College & Career Center News

Careers in Energy Week is Oct. 14 - 18! To learn more about hands-on workshops throughout southeast Michigan, click on this: [Flyer on Careers in Energy week.](#)

College Visits this week:

Central Michigan University	October 14	1:45 p.m.
Hope College	October 15	8:00 a.m.
University of Southern California (USC)	October 15	9:30 a.m.
College of Wooster	October 15	1:15 p.m.
Indiana University	October 16	1:30 p.m.
Purdue University	October 17	7:30 a.m.
Florida A&M University & Florida State	October 17	9:00 a.m.
U.S. Army and Army Reserve	October 17	A&B Lunch
Lawrence Technical University	October 18	9:30 a.m.
Vanderbilt University	October 18	1:30 p.m.

Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT)

All 11th-grade students will be taking the PSAT on Wednesday, October 16, 2019, during the school day. The test measures a student's skills in two core areas: Mathematics and Evidence-Based Reading and Writing. This assessment provides students with a great opportunity to practice and refine skills by taking a standardized test in a timed environment. Junior students who take the PSAT can qualify for the National Merit Scholarship Competition and other scholarship programs. Because this is a practice test, there will be no makeups.

Community Service/Events

Getting To Know Hispanic & Latino/a/x Persons in Our Community: A Panel Discussion

Please come listen to panelists share their personal experiences as they relate to being Hispanic & Latino/a/x within our community. This is a family and community event with a diverse panel of speakers, including students, parents and BPS staff.

Location: Birmingham Covington School Media Center

Tuesday, October 15th from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Come enjoy cultural foods from 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. Panel begins at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome.

Click [the Event Flyer](#) for details.

Veterans Day Brunch

In honor of Veterans Day, Birmingham Public Schools invites all military personnel for food, refreshments, and student entertainment.

Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2019 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

BPS Education and Administration Center

31301 Evergreen Road, Beverly Hills

Please RSVP by Monday, Nov. 11th

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050949AEAF2BA02-veterans>

or by contacting Joan Crampton at 248-203-3001

Breakfast sponsored by Birmingham Public Schools Community Councils

Athletics

Boys' Basketball

There will be a meeting for parents of boys interested in trying out for a basketball team this season. You will have an opportunity to meet the coaches and learn about the Boys Basketball Booster club. This is for parents and guardians only, not players.

Wednesday, October 16, 6:30 p.m. Little Theater – Groves High School

Varsity Women's Golf

The Second OAA League Tournament took place on September 26th on a windy but beautiful day at The Links of Crystal Lake. Groves (340) had a great showing, missing the first place league title to Rochester Adams by just 4 strokes. Sister's Chloe Collon and Eve Collon made the Top 8 team (Chloe Collon 2nd place and Eve Collon tied for 5th place overall). Playing for Groves was Chloe Collon (78), Eve Collon (82), Monica Inda (89), Lily Warnica (91), Riley Sauter (93) and Laila Brooks (94). Congratulations on a great tournament!

October 10th was an exciting day for the Women's Varsity Golf Team. Groves won the D-2 Regional Championship Tournament at Farmington Hills Golf Club. Playing for Groves was Chloe Collon (83), Eve Collon (91), Riley Sauter (95), Laila Brooks (98) and Monica Inda (101). Chloe Collon finished second overall along with Eve Collon in 7th place and Riley Sauter in 10th place. The team advances to the Michigan State Finals Tournament at Forest Akers East on October 18th and 19th. Good Luck to the State Finals Team of Laila Brooks, Chloe Collon, Eve Collon, Monica Inda, Riley Sauter, and Lily Warnica!

Junior Varsity Women's Golf

Congratulations on a great season for the Junior Varsity Women's Golf team! Coach Tom Kaufman provided a fantastic season of fun, growth and great matches! Congratulations to the team of Aarani Balendran, Leyton Brooks, Sara Carlton, Ayana Odom Foxworth, Grace Kauffman, Ellie Kroll, Hollis LePage, Rayna Mahadevan, Bethany Miller, Evann Oleshansky, Milan Rozier and Kate Vanderweele!

Figure Skating

Anyone interested in the Birmingham Varsity Figure Skating Team for the 2018-2019 season should attend the Preseason Meeting on Thursday, October 17th in Seaholm's media center at 7:00 p.m. All levels of skating ability welcome! All team members must be rostered and reach the Metro Council by November 9th. For more information, questions or concerns, please contact Team Manager Victoria Petersen at Birminghamvarsityfsc@gmail.com or Coach Jennifer at polkadotsjh@gmail.com

Girls Swim and Dive Team 2019

County Meet

The Girls Swim and Dive team placed 9th out of 32 teams in the Oakland County Meet that was held in Lake Orion on October 5th. Not only did they improve 7 spots from last year but

they also beat cross town rival Seaholm by 20 points!

Our Divers continued to roll as well. Senior Ellie Chalifoux placed 2nd and Ellie Deighan placed 9th out of 30 Divers!

Seaholm Meet

Although we lost a close one to Seaholm on Thursday, it was an exciting meet with a lot of improved times, first place finishes and incredible diving.

Senior diver Ellie Chalifoux continues her ride as #1 in dual competitions. Ellie Deighan placed second followed by sister Lauren in 4th place.

Highlights of the swim meet were:

Helmick, Bastian, Pauline Izydorek and Barnas placing 1st in the 200 Medley Relay

Barnas and Helmick placing 1st and 3rd respectively in the 200 Freestyle

Austin placing 1st in the 200 IM followed by Bastian in 4th

Pauline Izydorek placing 3rd in the 50 Free

Pauline Izydorek and Kiran Krishnan placing 2nd and 3rd in the 100 Fly

Helmick and Josie Izydorek placing 2nd and 5th in the 100 Free

Barnas placing first in the 500 Free

Austin and Sherman placing 2nd and 4th in the 100 Back

Bastian placing 1st in the 100 Breast

Thank you to the fans who came out and cheered the team on especially, the Groves Boys Swim and Dive Team. Your support was very much appreciated.

GREAT JOB EVERYONE! ROLL TIDE!

LAST HOME MEET: Rochester Adams, October 17th! SENIOR NIGHT!

Winter Athletics Starting Soon

Winter athletics are starting soon. In order to participate in winter sports, the student must have a current athletic physical on file in the Athletic Office and the Online Pay to Play fee must be paid. Pay to Play fees are not included in booster dues. The link for the winter Online Pay to Play registration will be available soon on the athletic website

www.grovesfalscons.com If you have any questions, please call the athletic office at 248-203-3585 or have your student stop by.

Gymnastics

First practices are Monday, October 28th &
Wednesday, October 30th at Groves 4:00 – 6:30 p.m.,
Friday, November 1st at Sport Club 4 – 5:45 p.m.

Boys Hockey

Tryouts are from November 4th-6th. Visit the
Hockey website to

Unified
register

[http://www.buvarsity.com/teams/?](http://www.buvarsity.com/teams/?u=mck1196&s=hockey)

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Girls Hockey

November 5th & 7th at Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

For

more information email Coach Mick

at

micks.hockey@gmail.com

Girls Basketball

November 9th

Competitive Cheer

November 9th

Co-ed Varsity Bowling

November 16th

Boys Basketball	November 16 th
Unified Ski Team	November 16 th
Wrestling	November 16 th
Boys Swimming	November 23 rd

Important Dates

Sunday, October 13

BPS Family Pride Event –Spicer Orchards 11:00 a.m.

Monday, October 14

College Visitation- Central Michigan University 1:45 p.m.

PTA Meeting in the Media Center 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 15

X-block

Picture Retake Day 7:30 a.m.

College Visitation- Hope College 8:00 a.m.

College Visitation- University of Southern California 9:30 a.m.

College Visitation-College of Wooster 1:15 p.m.

Wednesday, October 16

College Visitation- Indiana University 1:30 p.m.

Groves Garage Sale Drop-Off 4:00 –9:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 17

X-Block

College Visitation-Purdue University 7:30 a.m.

College Visitation-Florida A & M University and

Florida State University 9:00 a.m.

College Visitation-U.S. Army & Army Reserve A & B Lunch

Groves Garage Sale Drop-Off 4:00 –9:00 p.m.

Friday, October 18

College Visitation-Lawrence Technical University 9:30 a.m.

College Visitation-Vanderbilt University 1:00 p.m.

Groves Garage Sale 9:00-4:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 19

Groves Garage Sale 9:00-1:00 p.m.

Photos

Girls Swim and Dive Team breaks out in a flash mob after the Groves-Seaholm meet.

Showing the Groves' Way, Chartwells puts a positive message in the snack area.

Drumline Battle goes down after the Groves-Stoney Creek football game.



Thank you,
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