



# WYLIE E. GROVES HIGH SCHOOL

*Inspiring all learners to positively impact their world.*



## Congratulations to National Merit Commended Scholars

L-R: Jonathon Ghia, Helen Devine, Zoe Noorily, Charlese Keck, Ethan Biederman, Kate E. Lucken

Approximately 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers of more than 1.5 million students who took the SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.



Congratulations to the Groves Girls Cross Country Team! They are league champs! They had four All-League runners and all eight varsity girls finished under 23:30! Congrats Ladies.

#### **Groves Garage Sale- Sunday is the Last Day!**

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](mailto:adam_acey@yahoo.com)) for more information.

#### To shop:

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 4<sup>th</sup>, 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!

### **School Pictures**

Pictures taken during registration are available in the main office. If your student did not pick up their Lifetouch picture packet, please have them see Mrs. Roberts in the main office.

### **School Directories**

PTA directories are in! If you did not pick up your directory at conferences, please have your student stop by the main office. We would like to have the directories distributed as soon as possible. Thank you for supporting the PTA!

### **Advanced Placement Testing**

Students in 1st trimester AP courses will need to register for their exam by November 13. Payment is not due until February 27, 2020 but you must register by November 13.

Registration or cancellation after November 15 will incur a \$40 late fee charge. Students in AP classes that start 2nd trimester will need to register by February 27.

Payment for all courses will be taken from February 1—28 through Total Registration.

Students who are not registered for an AP class but want to take the exam can register as Exam Only students. Please contact Mr. Hurns, [nhurns@birmingham.k12.mi.us](mailto:nhurns@birmingham.k12.mi.us) for the Join Code

<https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/join-your-class-online>

### **News for Parents of Seniors**

#### Senior All Night Party (SANP) Kick-Off Planning Meeting

Groves Class of 2020

Please join us on Wednesday, October 23 from 7-8:30 p.m. in G-1 !

Our seniors are counting on us to make this celebration the very BEST Senior All Night Party

Sunday, May 31, 2020 from 9 p.m. – 2:30 a.m.

Cost: \$85.00

Register your senior online via e-funds at

<https://payments.efundsforschools.com/v3/districts/56264>

OR drop off a check in the front office payable to "Groves Senior All Night Party" with your child's name in the memo line. More details will be coming on sponsorship, location, fundraising, and volunteering.

#### 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/6CPxqTWPgKZCPcy19>

#### 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](#)

#### **Food Drive for Lighthouse of Michigan**

Groves High School is holding a Food Drive to benefit Lighthouse of Michigan! We are asking each

student at Groves to bring in one item from the list below.

Please bring items to the designated boxes in Counseling Office no later than November 15 – thank you!

9th Grade: Canned Yams, Potatoes (Boxed or cans), Jello, Canned Fruit

10th Grade: Gravy, Stuffing, Jello, Broth/Soup

11th Grade: Pie Crust Mix, Pumpkin Pie Filling, Mac n Cheese Box, Cake Mixes

12th Grade: Evaporated Milk, Muffin Boxes, Canned Cranberries, Frosting

### 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](https://www.birmingham.k12.mi.us/PTA_Reflections)

### Friends' News

Please join Friends of Different Learners for a presentation by BPS Kelsey Arsenault, BPS Elementary School Counselor & Gretchen Moran Marsh, Ph.D. Licensed Psychologist about stress vs anxiety: signs & symptoms we may see in our kids and strategies we can use to help them cope.

November 7th, 2019

7:00 p.m.

Birmingham Covington School

1525 Covington Rd, Bloomfield Hills, MI

More information about Friends, including Executive Members, Building Reps, and Local & National Resources can be found at the website: [www.friendsofdifferentlearners.org](http://www.friendsofdifferentlearners.org)

**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](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

Counseling, College & Career Center News

October is College Month in Michigan

Wayne State University, Saginaw Valley State, Baker College, and Central Michigan University are offering free applications this month. There are over 50 Michigan Colleges and Universities that have free applications all year round. See your counselor or the College and Career Center for a listing.

College Visits this week:

College/University	Date	Time
Oakland University	Oct. 21	9:30 a.m.
Denison University	Oct. 21	1:45 p.m.

Grand Valley (Meet in Media Center Learning Lab)	Oct. 22	7:30 a.m.
Kalamazoo College	Oct. 23	8:00 a.m.
Western Michigan University	Oct. 23	12:00 p.m.
Adrian College	Oct. 24	8:30 a.m.
College for Creative Studies (Meeting in Art Wing)	Oct. 24	9:00 a.m.
Wayne State University	Oct. 25	8:30 a.m.

#### Community Service/Events

##### **Breast Cancer 5K Walk hosted by Burn Fitness**

Saturday, October 26

9:00-12:00 p.m.

Seaholm High School

[www.cultforacure.com](http://www.cultforacure.com)

##### **Growing Up 2020**

Growing Up 2020 (formally known as Surviving the Social Jungle) is taking place for the first time in Northville, Saturday, November 9, and will include three simultaneous, and distinctly different, tracks: for kids 3rd-6th grade (7 fun stations; hands-on, small groups), teens 7th-12th (2 interactive sessions; self-defense separated by gender), and the adults who care about them (keynote plus 2 workshops selected from 12 options). Professional Development credits will be available. Registration and details for the 3 tracks may be found at the website, [www.KidsEmpoweredOnTheMove.org](http://www.KidsEmpoweredOnTheMove.org).

Adults will hear a powerful keynote with the national speaker, educator, author, [Katey McPherson](#), and then attend 2 workshop sessions, during which they can choose from 6 concurrent breakouts. (12 options total). The presenters and topics are diverse and extremely timely. There's something for everyone.

While adults are sharpening their saws, kids will participate in 7 hands-on activity stations where different skills are learned.

The teen track is designed with the unique needs of teen girls and teen boys in mind, including separate self-defense sessions.

Participating youth receive a string backpack, reusable water bottle, nut-free snack, and station take-aways to remind them of the lessons learned, and participation in a performance from special guest, singer/songwriter, [Ali McManus](#). Her inspirational message of resilience is powerful. You can see her "Unbreakable" music video, [here](#).

Check out this [2-sided flyer](#) for details for the Kid Track on the back.

Link to Facebook invite: <https://www.facebook.com/events/394636654536225/>

Link to Kids Empowered where there will be a number of different posts that can be shared about the conference. <https://www.facebook.com/WeAreKidsEmpowered/>.

##### **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. 11<sup>th</sup>

<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

Groves is hosting a basketball tournament on December 21 & 22 to be played by the JV and Varsity team players. If your child is intending to be a part of the basketball program, please take note of these dates. JV will play on Saturday, December 21 and Varsity will play on Sunday, December 22. Varsity practice resumes on December 26.

### Figure Skating

Interested in the Birmingham Varsity Figure Skating Team for the 2018-2019 season? 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](mailto:Birminghamvarsityfsc@gmail.com) or Coach Jennifer at [polkadotsjh@gmail.com](mailto:polkadotsjh@gmail.com)

### Girls Swim and Dive Team 2019

#### Senior Night

At our last home meet against Rochester Adams, our outgoing seniors were honored. We wish them all our best and much success in their future endeavors. Our senior girls are: Nikki Barnas, Nicole Bastian, Ellie Chalifoux, Kayla Kendricks, Kiran Krishnan, Lydia Rolf, Hanna Salinas, Ava Sarris, Eden Sherman and Teri Stebbins

#### Highlights

Kiran Krishan placing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 100 fly and making her State Cut

Pauline Izydorek placing 1<sup>st</sup> in the 100 fly and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 200 IM

Karen Austin, Eden Sherman and Ella Russell placing 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> respectively in the 200 Free

Hanna Deighan and Stella Grake placing 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> in the 200 IM

Mayah Goel, Josie Ervin & Teri Stebbins placing 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> in the 50 Free

Madison Helmick, Josie Izydorek and Jose Ervin placing 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> in the 100 Free

Karen Austin placing 1<sup>st</sup> in the 500 Free followed by Sarah Johns in 5<sup>th</sup> and Ava Hurley in 6<sup>th</sup>

Madison Helmick, Nikki Barnas and Kiran Krishnan placing 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> in the 100 Back

Nicole Bastian placing 1<sup>st</sup> in the 100 Breast followed by Hannah Deighan & Josie Izydorek placing 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>

#### Diving

Senior diver Ellie Chalifoux continues her ride as #1 in dual competitions. Ellie Deighan placed second followed by Gabby Saenz in 4<sup>th</sup> place.

Thank you to the fans who came out and cheered on the team. Your support is greatly appreciated.

GREAT JOB GIRLS! ROLL TIDE!

Next Week: Grosse Pointe South - Away

### 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](http://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 Unified Hockey website to register <http://www.buvarsity.com/teams/?u=mck1196&s=hockey>

Girls Hockey	November 5th & 7th at Orchard Lake St. Mary's. For more information email <a href="mailto:micks.hockey@gmail.com">micks.hockey@gmail.com</a>
Coach Mick at	
Girls Basketball	November 9 <sup>th</sup>
Competitive Cheer	November 9 <sup>th</sup>
Co-ed Varsity Bowling	November 16 <sup>th</sup>
Boys Basketball	November 16 <sup>th</sup>
Unified Ski Team	November 16 <sup>th</sup>
Wrestling	November 16 <sup>th</sup>
Boys Swimming	November 23 <sup>rd</sup>

#### Important Dates

##### **Sunday, October 20**

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

##### **Monday, October 21**

College Visitation- Oakland University 9:30 a.m.

College Visitation-Denison University 1:45 p.m.

##### **Tuesday, October 22**

X-block

College Visitation- Grand Valley State University 7:30 a.m.

##### **Wednesday, October 23**

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

College Visitation- Western Michigan University 12:00 p.m.

##### **Thursday, October 24**

No X-Block (School Starts at 7:30 a.m.)

College Visitation-Adrian College 8:30 a.m.

College Visitation-College of Creative Studies 9:00 a.m.

##### **Friday, October 25**

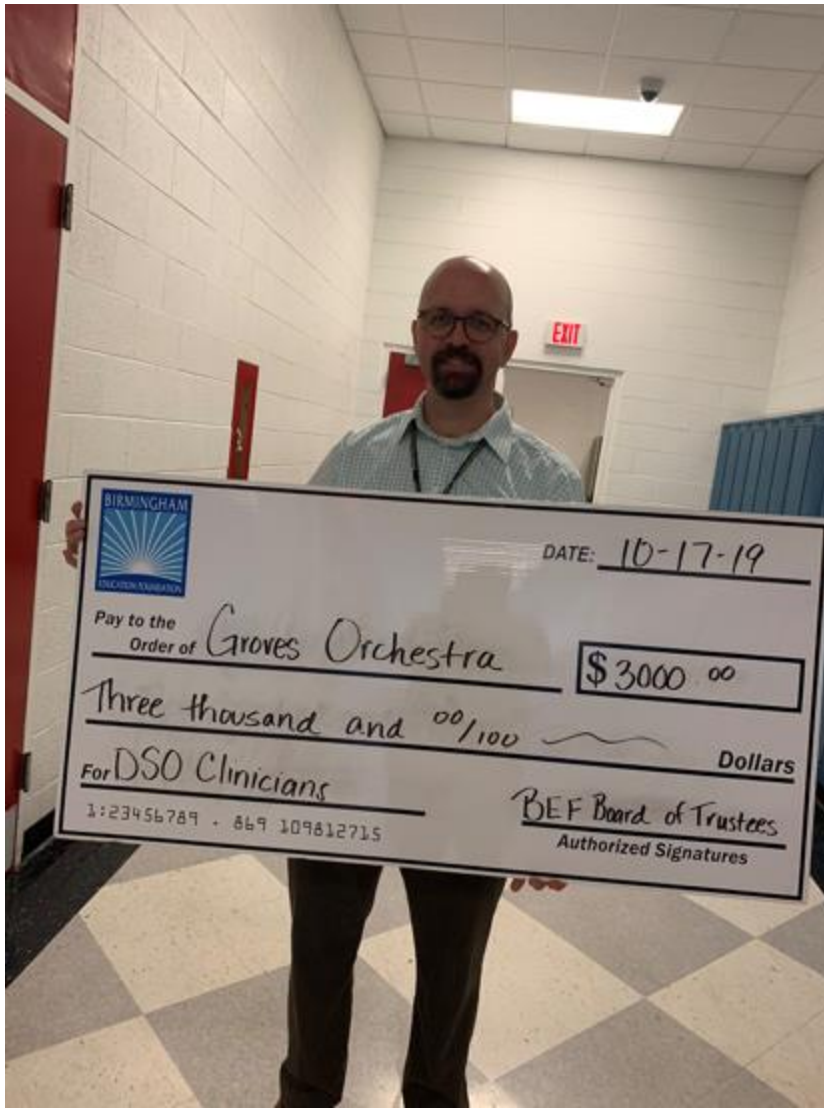
College Visitation-Wayne State University 8:30 a.m.

#### **Photos**

Orchestra teacher, Paul Shawver, receives a grant to bring members of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra with Groves students.

Showing the Groves' Way, out Big Brother and Big Sister mentors partner with LINKS for a fun tailgate.

The cast of Mamma Mia is ready to perform! Tickets on sale now.



Thank you,  
Dr. Embekka Roberson



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