

Groves High School Family Update November 16, 2019

During the week of November 4 – 8, 2019, all of the French classes at Groves celebrated National French Week (an American Association of Teachers of French created the event). Students engaged in several activities throughout the week including preparing crêpes, compiling a student-created French Mural, organizing a book drive, reading French books to the Wee Care children, and hosting two guest speakers from the community—Antoine Dubeauclard and Cédric Ballarin.

Oakland Schools Technical Center Visit

Oakland Schools Technical Center (OSTC) Showcase visit is rescheduled for Tuesday, November 19. On November 12, the showcase was canceled due to weather conditions. Students who were invited to attend on November 12 are invited to attend on November 19. Students do not need to submit another permission slip. Remember, the bus departs from Groves at 7:10 a.m.

Book Drive

The week of November 4th was our French week, and we scheduled a lot of activities including a book drive, that is still ongoing.

Mary Leier, a GHS grad, is stationed in the Peace Corps, in Cameroon. She is opening a library and needs children's French books to help fill the library in Cameroon. The books don't have to be new. Used books, in good condition, are also greatly appreciated. Please bring the books to the AP French class (B42) by December 2nd. We will appreciate all the books given to this great cause. *Nous vous remercions pour vos dons.*

Birmingham Public Schools Calendar

Find the [2019-20](#) BPS calendar linked here. Find the [2020-21](#) BPS calendar linked here.

Attendance Reminders

To report your student's absence, tardiness, or any attendance concern, please call the mainline 248-203-3500 option 2. If your student needs to leave early, please send a note with your student and your student will sign out in the attendance office. This makes it easier for a student to leave the classroom on time.

NCAA Eligibility for Seniors

On Tuesday, November 19 at 7:45 a.m., students can sign up for the NCAA Eligibility Center in the Groves College and Career Center. Students will need to bring a valid credit card to complete this process. See Mr. Kolb with any questions: GKolb@birmingham.k12.mi.us.

Bowling Club is Back

The Groves Bowling Club is for everyone. No experience is necessary. We meet on Wednesdays from 3:15- 4:45 p.m. at Hartfield Lanes beginning December 11th and running until March 4th. All forms are due by December 6th. Packets are available in the Main Office or Room B18, email Ms. Sheckell (lsheckell@birmingham.k12.mi.us) with any questions. Students must provide their own transportation and the cost is \$80.

Snow Club

Snow is on the ground, so it is officially time to think about hitting the slopes! The Groves/Seaholm snow club goes to Pine Knob on Mondays in December, January, and February. New or experienced skiers and snowboarders are welcome from both Seaholm and Groves. Bus transportation, lift tickets and a Pine Knob student membership are included. Registration is limited by the size of the bus and will fill. Complete details and registration are at <https://www.birmingham.k12.mi.us/Page/8340>.

Final Exam Schedule-Trimester 1

Friday, November 22

		Shuttle Departure
		7:20 a.m.
1 st hour	7:30—8:22 a.m.	
1st-hour Exam	8:27—10:02 a.m.	10:07 a.m.
2 nd hour	10:10—11:05 a.m.	11:05 a.m.
3rd hour		
A lunch	11:13-11:53 a.m.	11:48 a.m.
3rd hour A	11:53-12:46 p.m.	
3rd hour B	11:13 - 12:06 p.m.	12:01 p.m.
B lunch	12:06-12:46 p.m.	12:46 p.m.
4 th hour	12:54-1:48	1:48 pm
5 th hour	1:56-2:50	2:45 pm

Monday, November 25

		Shuttle Departure
2 nd Hour Exam	7:30 – 9:05 a.m.*	9:10 a.m.
3 rd Hour Exam	9:25 – 11:00 a.m.	11:05 a.m.
Bus pick-up at 11:05 a.m.		

Tuesday, November 26

		Shuttle Departure
4 th Hour Exam	7:30 – 9:05 a.m.*	9:10 a.m.
5 th Hour Exam	9:25 – 11:00 a.m.	11:05 a.m.
Bus pick-up at 11:05 a.m.		

*Students are provided bagels and juice in the cafeteria compliments of the PTA on Monday and Tuesday between the exam periods.

Wednesday-Friday, November 27-29: No school for students and teachers

Monday, December 2– Records Day: No school for students

Tuesday, December 3: 2nd Trimester Begins, No X-Block.

2016 Groves Honor Alumnus and 2006 Groves Graduate, **Evan Kasprzak** visited Mr. Rutherford's Theater 5 students and taught a quick master class in dance. Groves is fortunate to have great Alums who return and give their time.

Groves Honor Alumnus

Groves Honor Alumnus is selected by the Senior Seminar student committee as the individual who best embodies the values and attributes held most dear by the senior class. The annual honoree serves as the featured speaker at Senior Seminar. Students, school staff, family, friends, and community members are encouraged to submit nominations for individuals who graduated at least ten years prior to the current date. A nomination form can be found by clicking this link: [Groves Honor Alumnus Award Overview](#). The nomination deadline for the 2020 Groves Honor Alumnus is November 28, 2019.

Counseling, College & Career Center News

Miami University (Oxford, Ohio) Fee Waivers

Miami University is offering application fee waivers for the month of November to a limited number of students. Please apply to Miami by the December 1 deadline to receive [merit scholarship consideration](#). See your counselor or Mrs. Kondak if you are considering still applying to Miami of Ohio.

Looking For A Job?

[Click here](#)

Understand Student Life on College Campuses

Informal discussions are beginning! The College and Career Center will begin hosting current students from various universities and colleges who will share their experiences about student life. These events are aimed to be casual conversations but still, require a pass to attend. Watch the FANN, Remind & Enews for details.

Community Service/Events

Do It for Daniel: A Conversation about Suicide

Hosted by Birmingham Youth Assistance

Tuesday, November 19, 2019, 7:00 p.m. (Doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

Birmingham Groves High School

Little Theater

20500 W. 13 Mile Road, Beverly Hills, MI

The program is presented by Jeff Olson, the father of Daniel who suffered depression and eventually committed suicide and intends to reduce stigma, create community conversations, awareness and connections for families.

This evening presentation is for parents and any adults who care about youth. (High school students accompanied by a parent are welcome.) Learn more at www.doitfordaniel.com.

Discounted tickets for Broadway shows are available to the Groves community

Broadway in Detroit is happy to be able to offer Groves discounts for Hello, Dolly! and A Bronx Tale at the Fisher Theatre. This is a wonderful fundraising opportunity provided to Groves Performing Arts Company (GPAC) from our friends at the Fisher Theatre through the Broadway in Detroit Bank of America Fundraising program. The theatre donates money back to GPAC for every ticket sold using our code.

Tickets can be purchased at www.broadwayindetroit.com/givesback

Hello, Dolly!

Fisher Theatre | November 19 – December 1

Winner of four Tony Awards including Best Musical Revival, HELLO, DOLLY! is the universally acclaimed smash that NPR calls “the best show of the year!” and the Los Angeles Times says “distills the mood-elevating properties of the

American musical at its giddy best.” Director Jerry Zaks’ “gorgeous” new production (Vogue) is “making people crazy happy!” (The Washington Post)

Box Office Price Range: \$39 - \$130

Discount Price Range: \$30 - \$95

Performances Available:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Sunday evenings; Saturday and Sunday matinees

Purchase tickets here:www.broadwayindetroit.com/givesback

Use the offer code: GROVES

A Bronx Tale

Fisher Theatre | January 21 – February 2

Three years ago, Academy Award nominee Chazz Palminteri teamed up with Academy Award winner Robert De Niro, Tony Award winner Jerry Zaks and Tony nominee Sergio Trujillo to create this streetwise musical – based on Palminteri’s true life story.

A BRONX TALE takes you to the stoops of the Bronx in the 1960’s, where a young man is caught between the father he loves and the mob boss he’d love to be.

Box Office Price Range: \$39 - \$110

Discount Price Range: \$30 - \$82.25

Performances Available:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Sunday evenings; Saturday and Sunday matinees

Purchase tickets here:www.broadwayindetroit.com/givesback

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Athletics

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

Baseball Workouts

Groves Baseball winter Workouts begin in January. Waiver forms must be completed prior to the first workout session. The workout session is 9 weeks.

Registration information and required forms may be found on the Groves High School Athletic

Page: <https://grovesfalcons.com/main/teamarticle/articleID/50686959/id/3669563>

Birmingham Ski Team

Announcing to all Seaholm and Groves students who are interested in ski racing. Our ski team races at Mt. Brighton four days a week during the winter. Our Team is a unified team with Varsity and Junior Varsity members. For more information please contact Larry Morris Head Coach at themorrisgroupllc@gmail.com.

Girls Swim and Dive Team 2019

OAA League Meet

Groves hosted the OAA League Meet on November 6 -8. Our girls placed 3rd out of the six teams competing beating out Stoney Creek, Farmington, and Clarkston. Congrats to swimmers Hannah Deighan, Josie Izydorek and Eden Sherman who qualified for States!

Our Divers continued to make a BIG SPLASH in the pool as well. Congratulations to our Sophomores Ellie Deighan who placed first at Leagues and Gabby Saenz who placed 6th out of 16 divers. Great job girls!

Diving Regionals

Groves also hosted the Diving Regionals on Thursday, November 14th. Congratulations go out to Ellie Chalifoux, Ellie Deighan and Gabby Saenz who all made it to States!

Good luck to our 2019 Groves Swimming and Diving State Team! They are:

Swimmers

Nikki Barnas
Nicole Bastian
Kiran Krishnan
Eden Sherman
Hannah Deighan
Karen Austin
Madison Helmick
Josie Izydorek
Pauline Izydorek

DIVERS

Ellie Chalifoux
Ellie Deighan
Gabby Saenz

The 2019 MHSAA Division II State Championship will be held at
Oakland University in Rochester
Friday, November 22nd at 5 p.m. (Prelims)
Saturday, November 23rd at 5 p.m. (Finals)

Come Out And Cheer Our Team On! Roll Tide!

Winter Athletics

In order for your child to participate in a winter sport, they must get a Blue Slip from the Athletic office. In order to receive a blue slip, they must have a current athletic physical on file, an emergency card, and complete the online pay to play. To register your child online for the athletic online registration go to www.grovesfalcons.com If you have any questions call the Athletic office at 248-203-3585.

Winter Sports Tryout Schedule

Monday, November 18

Boys Basketball – in the gym Freshman 3:00 – 5:00, JV and Varsity 7:00 – 9:00
Boys and Girls Varsity Bowling – at Astro Lanes, contact Coach Tim Allen for more information mtallen1221@gmail.com

Wrestling – 3:00 in the wrestling room

Unified Ski Team – Contact Coach Larry Morris themorrisgrouppllc@gmail.com for more information

Monday, December 2

Boys Swim and Dive – 3:00 – 5:30 in the pool

Important Dates

Monday, November 18

PTA Meeting

6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 19

X-block

Wednesday, November 20

Another Great Day at Groves!

Thursday, November 21

X-Block

Friday, November 22

Final Exams Begin

1st hour Final Exam

Full Day of School

Photos

This Saturday, we had our Groves Freshman Final Review. Students had the opportunity to participate in review sessions so that they are ready for their first set of final exams as high school students. Special thanks to our teachers and our Big Brother Big Sisters who assisted our freshman.

Thank you,

Dr. Embekka Roberson

Principal

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