

## Groves Family Update- August 19, 2019

### A message from WYLIE E. GROVES HIGH SCHOOL

Welcome to the 2019-2020 school year. We hope that your summer has been relaxing and enjoyable. Below is important information regarding the registration process and some important dates.

Returning Families, please access the online registration through your Parent Power School account: [Parent Power School Portal](#) and select "Returning" instead of "new" family. Access to the system is not available through your student's account.

If the online forms have not been submitted, your student will NOT be able to complete the registration process at the in-person registration. This must be completed by the parent only, prior to the student coming in. Please ensure you have an active parent login to Power School. If you require a password reset or new account set up information, please email Lisa Reeves [LReeves@birmingham.k12.mi.us](mailto:LReeves@birmingham.k12.mi.us) or call (248)-203-3501.

You may pay for items/fees through eFunds [for Schools](#) or bring a check (payable to Groves High School) or cash. If you use eFunds, your student will need to have a hard copy of the eFunds receipt or an electronic copy on their phone.

[Parent Power School Portal](#)

[Groves InfoSnap Registration Instructions](#)

[Student Optional Fees List](#)

[Groves Open Lunch Letter \(11th and 12th Grades\) and Form](#)

[e-Funds for Schools Information](#)

### Important Dates for Students

Freshman Orientation Kick-Off Day	Wednesday	August 21	9:00 - 1:00 pm
Freshman Parents Meeting / Student Activities Fair	Wednesday	August 21	7:00 pm
Freshman Registration/Parents Welcome Reception	Thursday	August 22	8:00 - 10:00 am
Sophomore Registration	Thursday	August 22	12:00 - 2:00 pm
Freshman Canoe Trip	Friday	August 23	8:00 – 1:00 pm
Senior Registration	Friday	August 23	8:00 - 10:00 am
Junior Registration	Friday	August 23	12:00 - 2:00 pm
Late Registration all grades (Cafeteria)	Thursday	August 29	12:00 - 2:00 pm
Welcome Student Lunch and Tour for Transfer Students	Thursday	August 29	12:00-2:00 pm
1 <sup>st</sup> Day of School – Half Day Morning	Tuesday	September 3	7:30 – 11:00 am
Limited Late Registration (Little Theater)	Tuesday	September 3	8:30 - 9:30 am
Curriculum Night	Thursday	September 12	6:30 pm

### Welcome to Transfer Students Lunch and Tour

There will be a Transfer Student Lunch for new students to Groves during late registration on 8/29/19 from 12 - 2 pm. This event helps to welcome students that are new to Groves and are not beginning as freshmen. New, incoming Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors are encouraged to attend this event. They will meet other new Groves students, current student ambassadors, staff, and have a tour of the building. If you have any questions, or to sign up for lunch, please email Sara Molloy at [SMolloy@Birmingham.k12.mi.us](mailto:SMolloy@Birmingham.k12.mi.us). Information for an incoming freshman can be found below.

## News for Freshman Families

Freshmen students are expected to participate in the **Freshman Orientation (Big Brother / Big Sister Program)** on Wednesday, August 21, 2019, 9:00– 2:00 pm. Lunch will be provided. This program has proven to be invaluable for our freshmen students.

Freshmen parents and students are invited to **Freshmen Activity Fair and Parent Orientation at 7:00 PM in the Commons (students) and Little Theater (parents)** on Wednesday, August 21, 2019.

**Groves Falcon Nest School Store**-The Groves Falcons Nest School Store will be open during the Freshman Activity Fair from 6:30 to 9 p.m. The Falcons Nest offers a custom "Groves Spirit Bag" for incoming students only! Only cash and checks will be accepted. See attached flyer.

**Freshman Class Canoe Trip:** As a future student at Groves High School, you are invited to Groves H.S. Freshman Class Canoe Trip. Date: Friday, Aug. 23, 2019 Place: Proud Lake Rec Area, Milford, MI Time: Depart at 8:00 am, Return at 12:30 pm Cost: \$ 30.00 This includes snacks, the bus ride from Groves, and your canoe costs for the day. Parents we need help with supplies and volunteers to serve and pick up snacks from Groves in the morning to serve at Central Park in Milford, Michigan. Please sign up here, thank you:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e48aeab2aa5fe3-parent>

Click here for Canoe trip flyer:

<https://www.birmingham.k12.mi.us/cms/lib/MI01908619/Centricity/Domain/19/Canoe%20Flyer%20Freshman%20trip%20August%202019.pdf>

Click here for Canoe trip permission form:

<https://www.birmingham.k12.mi.us/cms/lib/MI01908619/Centricity/Domain/19/Canoe%20Trip%20Permission%20Slip%20August%202019.pdf>

Contact Sarah Kuretzky for additional information: [skuretzky@birmingham.k12.mi.us](mailto:skuretzky@birmingham.k12.mi.us)

## Fines and Book Returns

All fines and book returns need to be cleared in order to participate in the in-person registration. Please check your email for fines/books due notifications.

## PSAT/SAT

Students will receive their PSAT or SAT scores during the in-person Student Registration.

## Parent Volunteers

We are in need of parent volunteers to help in the library during in-person Student Registration. Please consider volunteering for 2 hours on Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> or Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. Your help will be greatly appreciated. Sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4CA5AC29A6F85-library>.

## Advanced Placement Exams

According to College Board, there are new change for Advanced Placement (AP) Exams. Please see below for the following changes:

Parents and students should understand that: Exams are now ordered in the fall. Students must decide about taking AP Exams in the fall, so that the AP coordinator can submit the school's exam order by the preferred (October 4, 2019) or final (November 15, 2019, 11:59 p.m. ET) deadlines. It is possible to request an exam after the final deadline until the spring course orders and fall order changes deadline (March 13, 2020, 11:59 p.m. ET), but an additional late order fee of \$40 per exam will apply. If a student chooses to cancel an exam after November 15 or does not take an exam that was ordered for them, the school will be charged \$40 for the exam. Students will have access to more AP practice and feedback resources.

For more information, please contact your student's counselor.

## Counseling, College & Career Center News

[The Groves College and Career Center](#) for more information on these events and many other resources.

[Scholarships](#)

Visit the [Scholarships](#) page for details.

### College Visits/Exploration

Many universities are still accepting applications for late summer programs. Posters and information are outside the College & Career Center and online, under "Summer Programs" on the [College and Career Center Webpage](#)

The Hispanic Heritage Foundation's (HHF) 2019 Youth Awards educational grants program is now accepting applications! Our 21st Annual Youth Awards will award students who are in the graduating Class of 2020 with up to \$3,500 in educational grants to fund their higher education or to fund a community-based project.

Recipients will be selected for their accomplishments in the classroom, community, and excellence in various educational categories. Recipients will also be celebrated at 10 regional ceremonies across the country: Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Northern CA, Phoenix, Puerto Rico, and Washington, D.C. (eligible students should apply in the region nearest to their area of residence).

The deadline to apply is Tuesday, October 15th. Students can apply at [www.HispanicHeritage.org](http://www.HispanicHeritage.org)

### ACT/SAT Testing

ACT/SAT testing dates for 2019-2020 can be found here: [Testing date schedule](#).

**Emory University's CORE program-** If you are a rising Senior in the fall of 2019, apply to Emory University's Cultural Overnight Recruitment Experience (CORE) fall visit program is designed to support talented, high-achieving high school seniors who are from first-generation and/or underrepresented cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds. This year's overnight program is being held October 10-12, 2019. Visit: [Cultural Overnight Recruitment Experience](#) for more details and application.

### Jobs

Visit the [CCC Job Postings](#) for a complete list of available jobs for students.

### **Community Events**

Friends & PAC (Parent Advisory Council) are having another friends & family summer picnic August 20th at Beverly Park at 5:00 pm. Join us to reconnect before the busy days of September. Stay tuned to Facebook and/or our website for a sign-up genius for what to bring. Have a safe summer! See you in August!

### **Groves Baseball Boosters**

Attention 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Graders – the Groves Baseball Boosters are offering fall baseball this year in coordination with Total Sports in Wixom. The games are all Saturday doubleheaders, running from September 7 through October 5, and will be played in Wixom. The cost is \$200 per player (hats/shirts included).

We have a 15 player roster, and we operate on a first-come, first served basis. If you want to participate, please send an email to [brbkmr@gmail.com](mailto:brbkmr@gmail.com) and we will provide you with the sign-up form. Payment is due by August 31, 2019. Please note that participation in fall ball is not related to the Groves High School baseball program, and is therefore not a mechanism for qualifying for those teams. Thanks very much.

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### **File attachments:**

#### [Freshman Activities Fair Spirit 19.pdf](#)

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