



January 24, 2021

Groves Families,

Our first week of hybrid learning went well, and thank you for your support of our staff as we transition to a new method of learning.

### **Parent-Teacher Conferences**

Our second trimester conferences will be held this Wednesday, January 27 from 4-7 p.m. via Zoom. If you have not scheduled appointments, you may use this link to do so - [https://ptcfast.com/schools/Groves\\_High\\_School](https://ptcfast.com/schools/Groves_High_School).

Teachers will email a Zoom link to parents who have appointments on Tuesday evening in preparation for Wednesday's conferences.

### **Upcoming Half Day for Students**

On Thursday, February 4, teachers will participate in professional learning in the morning, and classes will be held virtually (no in-person learning that day) in the afternoon.

### **AP Test Registration and Payment Information**

Once again, we will use Total Registration for our online AP exam payment processing/registration. Registration/payment will take place during the month of **February (1st-28th)**. **The student will need their AP Classroom Join code to register/pay for an exam in Total Registration.** *The join code can be obtained from their teacher.*

**Groves Total Registration/Payment**  
**Link [www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/230333](http://www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/230333)**

- The 2020-21 exam rate is \$99 If you have a student that has a financial hardship, please ask them to see their counselor or me ASAP.
- If a Groves student is **currently** taking a course at Seaholm they should pay using Seaholm's Total Registration link- <https://user.totalregistration.net/AP/230327>

**Please contact Mr. Hurns if you have any questions.**  
**[nhurns@birthingham.k12.mi.us](mailto:nhurns@birthingham.k12.mi.us)**

### **Scheduling for Classes Next Year**

Counselors will be meeting with 9th, 10th, and 11th graders via Zoom this week on Wednesday to provide information about scheduling courses for next year. 9th grade meeting is 2nd hour, 10th grade is 4th hour and 11th grade is 5th hour.

## Upcoming College Fair

NACAC Virtual College Fair of the year is **Sunday, January 31** from 1-7 p.m. ET! Students give them an enthusiastic "thumbs up" because it's so easy to drop in on live Zoom sessions offered by hundreds of colleges on a single day. There are 8 different fairs starting on Jan. 31, some with specific colleges like on March 16 for Performing Arts or STEM colleges on March 7.

Free registration & information at: <https://virtualcollegefairs.org/events>

## News from Groves Athletics

**The 2020 Girls Swim and Dive team competed at the MHSAA State Championships last weekend and finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place!!!** Congratulations to Coaches, Danny Torriglia, Matt Egbers and Brenden French. After finishing in 4<sup>th</sup> place at the OAA Red league meet, the Emerald Tide pulled it together to finish the season on a high note.

Highlights:

Diving- Ellie Deighan 13<sup>th</sup> Gabby Saenz- 16<sup>th</sup> place

200 Medley Relay-12<sup>th</sup> Madison Helmick, Stella Grake, Kalli Gaggos and Mayah Goel

200 Freestyle- Hannah Deighan 15<sup>th</sup>

200 IM- Karen Austin 5<sup>th</sup>

50 Freestyle- Mayah Goel 13<sup>th</sup>

100 Freestyle-Madison Helmick 5<sup>th</sup>, Hannah Deighan 11<sup>th</sup>

500 Freestyle- Karen Austin-2<sup>nd</sup>-NEW SCHOOL RECORD

200 Freestyle Relay- 6<sup>th</sup>, Hannah Deighan, Mayah Goel, Marie Morris, Karen Austin

100 Backstroke- Madison Helmick 9<sup>th</sup>

100 Breaststroke- Stella Grake 25<sup>th</sup>

400 Freestyle Relay- 7<sup>th</sup>, Mayah Goel, Madison Helmick, Hannah Deighan, Karen Austin

## Calling All Varsity Bowlers! Our Co-ed Varsity Bowling Team Needs You!

No previous bowling experience needed. Practices are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday at Astro Lanes in Madison Heights from 4:00 – 5:30.

Interested? Visit [www.grovesfalcons.com](http://www.grovesfalcons.com) for registration and athletic physical information. You can also contact Coach Anspach at [masnpach@birmingham.k12.mi.us](mailto:masnpach@birmingham.k12.mi.us) or sign up for his reminders at <https://www.remind.com/join/6abf4b>. Further questions? Call the Groves Athletic office at 248-203-3585

**Birmingham Ski Team (Boys & Girls):** The Birmingham Ski Team (Groves & Seaholm) continues to ski strong completing four more races all in Slalom events. The Boys Varsity took 2<sup>nd</sup> place and the Boys JV took 3<sup>rd</sup> place. The Girls Varsity took 2<sup>nd</sup> place and the Girls JV took 1<sup>st</sup> place. Great job racers! Races are held every Tuesday and Thursday. Additionally, the JV Championship will be held January 25<sup>th</sup>. You can catch the live results on <https://livetiming.usskiandsnowboard.org/>. For details on the races and other ski team information please click this link for the [Athletic eNews](#).

The Birmingham Ski Team had another great week of racing with strong finishes at Mt. Brighton! The **Birmingham Boys Varsity Ski Team** had a strong 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish for their first Slalom event on January 14th. Placing for Birmingham were Charly Ying, Sam Ying, Lucas Kennard and Oliver Srock. Rounding out the finishers were Mark Morris and Brady Wright.

The **Birmingham Girls JV Ski Team** had a strong 1<sup>st</sup> place finish for their first Slalom event on January 14<sup>th</sup>. Placing for Birmingham were Ella Carroll, Allegra Snedeker, Kate Sirich and Ruby Goldstein. Rounding out the finishers were Samantha Turner and Emma DeMarco.

The **Birmingham Girls Varsity Ski Team** had a strong 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish for their first Slalom event on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Placing for Birmingham were Marie Morris, Mia Lewis, Grace Latek, and Allegra Snedeker. Rounding out the finishers were Elle Carroll and Michaela Cooney.

The **Birmingham Boys JV Ski Team** had a strong 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish for their first Slalom event on January 19<sup>th</sup>. Placing for Birmingham were Andrew Fedor, Liam Wise, Peter Attia and Spencer Boegner. Rounding out the finishers were William Folbe, Evan Meinel, Daniel Fisher, Jack Goldstein, Preston Alessi and Charlie Vercellone.

The team also participated in an eventful team building weekend at Nubs Nob over the MLK holiday weekend. The racers engaged in several days of training with the NNR training staff followed up with hot cocoa and pizza at the outdoor Winter Garden! A special thanks to the Lewis family, and our coaches Larry Morris and Laura Witty for organizing the event!

Thank you, and have a great week!

Dr. Smith

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