



October 11, 2020

Groves Families,

I hope you had an enjoyable weekend!

Here is important information for upcoming events:

Tuesday, October 13 - This is a half day for classes in the morning, and the staff will be participating in professional learning concerning Diversity, Equity and Inclusion in the afternoon.

Wednesday, October 14 - PSAT for 11th graders who registered. Students who test will be marked as "SA" (student activity) for attendance for all of their classes that day, and are exempt from class work that day as well. More information will be emailed to students who are testing.

Wednesday, October 14 - Are you a family that is new to Groves this year? Or does your family have its first high school student at Groves? Join us for a Zoom to learn more about Groves from the administrators, counselors and our student ambassadors on Wednesday evening from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Link to join the meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83947286395>

Thursday, October 15 - Saturday, October 17 - GPAC presents Fright Fest! Each night is a one-hour one-act performance at our OUTDOOR theater outside the Auditorium. Don't miss these performances!

Opportunity to Give Back:

GSC is collecting socks and winter coats throughout the month of October to donate to those in need. There is a box for donated items located at the front entrance of the school. Donations will be accepted all school days from 7:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. and on Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Updates from Groves Athletics:

Junior Varsity Girls Golf

Congratulations to the Junior Varsity Girls Golf Team on a fun and successful golf season! Unfortunately, they lost their last 2 matches at home against Seaholm and Rochester Adams. Coach Bobrow was proud of all of her players - Morgan Kaplan, Grace Kauffman, Ellie Kroll, Hollis LePage, Bethany Miller, Evann Oleshansky, Lauren Stehney and Kate Vanderweele. A special thank you to team manager Brennen Wilke and volunteer John King! Congratulations on a great season!!

Varsity Girls Golf

The Varsity Girls Golf Team lost to Troy Athens at an away match on September 15th. Monica Inda, Leyton Brooks, Lily Warnica, Sara Carlton, Rayna Mahadevan and Aarani Balendran represented Groves. Two days later, the team of Monica Inda, Lily Warnica, Clarice Kim, Ella Blank, Aarani Balendran and Leyton Brooks brought home a win at an away match against Clarkston. On September 18th, Groves lost a close match against Oxford High School at Lincoln Hills Golf Course. Monica Inda, Lily Warnica, Rayna Mahadevan, Clarice Kim, Leyton Brooks and Aarani Balendran played for Groves. The OAA White Division League meet was held at Crystal Lake Golf Course on September 25th. Groves finished in 5th place as a team (Monica Inda, Clarice Kim, Lily Warnica, Ella Blank, Leyton Brooks and Sara Carlton). The Oakland County Golf Tournament at Fieldstone Golf Course was held on September 30th. The team of Monica Inda, Clarice Kim, Lily Warnica and Ella Blank represented Groves. Unfortunately, the last home match of the season and our Senior Celebration Day was cancelled due to weather. Congratulations to Monica Inda, Kaitlin Capinjola and Aarani Balendran on their awesome 4 years on the Groves Golf Team. We will miss you! Regionals will be held at Farmington Hills Golf Club on October 8th. Groves won the Regional Tournament last year and finished 5th in the State Tournament at Forest

Akers. Playing for Groves on Thursday will be Monica Inda, Lily Warnica, Clarice Kim, Ella Blank and Rayna Mahadevan. Good luck at Regionals!

Swimming

It was a very busy week for the swim and dive team this week. Monday, the team lost a dual meet to Mercy. On Thursday, the Emerald Tide was narrowly defeated by a tough team from Farmington. Highlights from the meet: Karen Austin 200 freestyle 1st 500 freestyle 1st, Mayah Goel 50 freestyle 1st, Ellie Deighan diving 1st, 200 freestyle relay 1st Mayah Goel Hannah Deighan Karen Austin and Amandine Peyrol, Madison Helmick 100 backstroke 1st 500 freestyle 2nd.

Stella Grake is th newest state meet qualifier in the 100 breaststroke!

On Friday, the divers participated in the Oakland County Championship with Ellie Deighan finishing 9th and Gabby Siens finishing 14th! At the swimming championship, the team finished in 9th place. Highlights from the pool: 200 medley 10th, Karen Austin 200 IM 4th 500 freestyle 2nd, Madison Helmick 200 freestyle 14th 100 freestyle 7th, Stella Grake 200 IM 49th 100 breaststroke 17th, Mayah Goel 50 freestyle 18th 100 freestyle 27th, Marie Morris 50 freestyle 39th 100 freestyle 37th, Kalli Gaggos 100 butterfly 32nd 100 backstroke 49th, Hannah Deighan 100 freestyle 15th with a new state meet qualifying time! 200 IM 25th, Josie Ervin 50 freestyle 43rd 500 freestyle 34th, Amandine Peyrol 50 freestyle 44th 100 freestyle 40th, 300 freestyle relay 11th, 500 freestyle relay 8th. The next meet is Thursday vs crosstown rival and defending state champions Seaholm!

Groves Debate

Groves' Debate Team captured first place in both the varsity and junior varsity divisions at the Edward Pappas Memorial Invitational, sponsored by Wayne State University's Communication Department and Debate Team, the Detroit Urban Debate League and Michigan Interscholastic Forensic Association.

At the tournament, held virtually on Friday-Saturday, October 9-10, 2020, the team of Ben Glick (junior) and Allie Fundaro (sophomore) won the varsity division by after posting a 3-1 win/loss record in preliminary rounds by defeating Detroit Country Day School in semifinals on a 2-1 decision and besting Detroit School of Arts in the final round on a 2-1 decision. Ben was 7th and Allie was 8th individual speaker.

In the Junior Varsity division, the team of Eleen Laham (junior) and Jonah Lipman (senior) defeated Okemos HS on a 3-0 decision in finals after posting a 3-1 record in preliminary rounds. Jonah was 1st and Eleen 6th individual speaker.

The team will compete virtually in a national tournament sponsored by Heritage Hall and Casady High Schools in Oklahoma next weekend.

Groves Tennis - The Groves team swept the Regionals Division and won the district championship!!!

And defeated Detroit Country Day - 4, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES - 5 in a recent match as well:

Singles:

No. 1 - Jonah Liss, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES def. Christian Grozev, Detroit Country Day, 6-3 , 3-6 , 10-6 ;

No. 2 - Nolen Kovan, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES def. Alex Pollak, Detroit Country Day, 7-6 (5), 1-6 , 10-7 ;

No. 3 - RJ Carrel, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES def. Zain Rodger, Detroit Country Day, 6-4 , 7-6 (5), -;

No. 4 - Nick Kalkanis, Detroit Country Day def. Jake Rosenwasser, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES, 6-2 , 6-1 , -;

Doubles:

No. 1 - Petros Kalabat, Detroit Country Day - Charlie Holman, Detroit Country Day def. Ryan Duffy, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES - Mitchell Greenberger, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES, 6-7 (5), 6-4 , 10-6 ;

No. 2 - Aiden Khaghany, Detroit Country Day - Clay Hartje, Detroit Country Day def. Will Kostello, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES - Liam Keane, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES, 6-1 , 6-1 , -;

No. 3 - Ramzi Nassif, Detroit Country Day - Sid Reddy, Detroit Country Day def. Andrew Weitzman, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES - Michael Dolan, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES, 6-4 , 6-0 , -;

No. 4 - Gabe Klein, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES - Marc Canellas, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES def. Kyle Hong, Detroit Country Day - Arnav Modi, Detroit Country Day, 3-6 , 6-4 , 16-14 ;

No. 5 - Charlie Erlich, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES - Cooper Teets, Beverly Hills WYLIE E. GROVES def. Rohan Namburur, Detroit Country Day - Hashim Ali, Detroit Country Day, 8-7 (3), -, -;

Birmingham Women's Lacrosse

BWLAX is hosting a player clinic Monday, October 12 - Thursday, October 15 from 6:00pm-7:30pm at Seaholm (meet near the concession's stand). Anyone who is interested in playing lacrosse for BWLAX (grades 9-12) is welcome to attend! Please bring your stick, mouth guard, goggles, shoes for turf and grass, pinnie, and appropriate clothes for the weather. If you are interested in learning more about the BWLAX program, please email Ashley Caza (birminghamwlox@gmail.com) for more information and to be added to our email list.

GIRLS BASKETBALL: "Join the Family"

Are you interested in being a part of something bigger than yourself? If the answer is "yes" then the Groves Girls Basketball program is the place for you. The Groves Girls Basketball program, under the new leadership of renowned coach Mr. AntJuan Simpkins, is looking to build a winning basketball culture of family, friends, competition, and building lifelong skills and relationships. Whether you are a novice player to an experienced travel player, the Groves' Girls Basketball program will find a place for you. Please fill-out the google form below if you are interested in learning more information about the program and tryouts. We would Love to have you as a member of the family. Go Falcons!

Girls Basketball Interest Form: <https://forms.gle/WMUzidzvGwN8JP2y7>

Have a great week, and please reach out to me if you have questions,

Dr. Smith

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