



February 20, 2021

Groves Families,

I hope that your week was relaxing for you and your students.

Please remember to make sure your students are registered for their AP tests. Payment is due by February 28th.

Upcoming Meetings of Interest:

OSTC Meeting this Week -

Mr. Kolb and Mrs. Kondak will be hosting **Oakland Schools Technical Campus (OSTC)** in a virtual presentation for Groves Students on Thursday, February 24 at 6:30 p.m. follow this Zoom link to join: <https://zoom.us/j/91813951643> This presentation is aimed at rising 10th & 11th graders (Class of 2023 & 2022) but 9th parents are welcome to join to hear information. OSTC provides technical education in 15+ programs including: Automotive Technology/ Collision Repair and Refinishing, Computer Programming/ Cybersecurity Networking, Construction Technology, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts/Hospitality, Energy-Electrical Technology, Engineering, Robotics & Mechatronics, Graphic and Communication Design, and Health Sciences.

Students interested are encouraged to speak with their counselor for registration information.

Groves Athletic Updates

Birmingham Hockey Updates -

The Birmingham United team defeated Clarkston in overtime this week 3-2! Aiden Shannon had the game-winning goal, and Jack Jurkovich and Trevor Peterson also each contributed a goal. Great win!

Did you see Groves' own Elyssa Biederman's goal featured on sports shows nationally? Take a look here - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zpwYUI4hSt8>

Birmingham Ski Team (Boys & Girls): Birmingham Girls and Boys Ski Team is going to States! The Varsity team competed at the Division 1, Region 3 Regional Ski Race at Alpine Valley on February 11th where the Girls team took 2nd place and the Boys team took 3rd place qualifying both for the Division 1 MHSAA State Finals at Nubs Nob on February 22nd. It was a great day! The team also qualified from Divisional results to race SEMSL Championship race at Alpine Valley scheduled for February 25th. We are looking forward to States, and best of luck to our racers! You can catch the live results on <https://livetiming.us skiandsnowboard.org/>. For details on the races and other ski team information please click this link for the [Athletic eNews](#)

Racing for girls were Marie Morris, Michaela Cooney, Grace Latek , Mia Lewis, Ella Carroll and Allegra Snedeker.

Racing for boys were Brady Wright, Oliver Srock, Charly Ying, Lucas Kenard, Sam Ying and Mark Morris.

Forthcoming races are Division 1 MHSAA State Finals at Nubs Nob February 22nd, and SEMSL Championships at Alpine Valley on February 25th. Good luck to all our Birmingham racers! You can catch these exciting races on live timing <https://livetiming.usskiandsnowboard.org/>

Boys Swim Update

On February 11 the Seaholm Maples made their way to the Groves pool. Some highlights of the evening were first place finishes for Jackson Zako (50 & 100 Free) and Angus MacDonald (200 IM & 500 Free). There was also an impressive second/third finish for Joey Stebbins and Ian Duncan in the 100 Back. In the last race of the night, the 400 Yard Free Relay, the Emerald Tide came in second only .9 seconds behind the Maples. It was a tough loss for the team, but we look forward to meeting the Maples in the league meet in March.

Girls Basketball

Our varsity girls basketball team won today over Ann Arbor Skyline, and defeated Lakeland 50-28 this week as well. Neveah Otis had 19 points and 5 rebounds, and Jordan Peterso had 6 points and 15 rebounds. They also defeated the Lady Bears this week 40-34 and Kaitlyn Sanders had 19 points. The ladies are on a roll!

Boys Basketball

The varsity boys basketball team lost a tough game against Bloomfield Hills in overtime 63-58.

GPAC and Forensics News

GPAC did really well at the MIFA One Act Virtual Theatre Competition on February 13. While they came in a close 2nd to Woodhaven High School's production of *The Laramie Project*, they were selected as the People's Choice Award for our division.

In addition to our overall success, many of the individual students were acknowledged for their achievements (more than any other school that competed).

Award Type	Award Goes To	Recognition
Excellent Design	Clare Birley, Anna Forberg	Costume
Superior	Annelise Ross, Laurent Sainte-Marie	Program
Superior	Gillian Eaton	Dramaturg
Superior	Company	Acting
Superior	Company	Technical work
Superior & Execution	Taylor Hunter	Sound Design
Superior & compliance	Mia Frank	COVID Safety
Superior	Alexis Richardson, Lily Reed-Nordwall, Adam Rhen	Team Directing
Superior educational and artistic process	Alexis Richardson, Lily Reed-Nordwall, Adam Rhen, Hayden Miller, Jack Handzel, Taylor Hunter,	Embracing the

Hayden Miller, Jack Handzel, Taylor Hunter,

Mia Frank, AJ Camisa

Superior Hayden Miller, Jack Handzel, Clare Birley, Anna Forberg, Attention to
Historical Accuracy

Ainsley Nelson, Maya Ousachi, Hope Sherwood,

Sami Meal, Gillian Eaton, Taylor Hunter

Superior Hayden Miller, Jack Handzel, Gillian Emerick Design &
Execution of the Projections

Forensic Team News:

Groves only had 5 competitors compete at the virtual Birch Run Forensic tournament, and yet they did us proud! We took 1st place for Small School division!

Kevyn Roessler-1st place-Broadcasting

Annelise Ross-1st place-Storytelling

Josh Kroll-3rd place- Prose 9/10

Alexis Richardson-5th place-Prose Open

Congratulations!

Thank you,

Dr. Smith

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