



September 3, 2020

Groves Families,

We have had a great first week of classes at Groves! Our staff is working hard during the transition to rigorous virtual learning, and our students have risen to the challenge. Thank you!

We have some upcoming events, and I would like to provide you details.

Groves Virtual Curriculum Night - September 9, 2020

- Parents will be provided a Zoom link to each teacher's class/session, and will need to have to have a copy of their students' first trimester schedules (available in PowerSchool) to use to join the correct sessions throughout the evening. No passcode is needed to join the Zoom links. *The Zoom link is DIFFERENT from the one used daily for your student's classes.* Parents will log into a different Zoom link meeting for each of your student's five periods/classes. **Links for teacher sessions will be emailed and posted on the school's website.**
- Parents will be asked to join the Zoom meeting on mute, and to make sure to use a first and last name in Zoom so teachers know who to admit to the meeting. Our hope is parents will be willing to have their video function on in Zoom so we can connect names with faces as we would during an in-person meeting.
- How do you rename yourself in Zoom so it displays your first and last name? Here is a 20 second tutorial: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2TB1zSWJOSQ>
- Teachers will introduce themselves, share a short virtual presentation about their curriculum and class expectations, and then parents will have a few minutes for questions. Teachers will begin and end each session on time in order for parents to be able to meet all of their students' teachers.

Class Schedule for Virtual Curriculum Night 9/9:

Your student's 1st hour class– Join the Zoom meeting 6:00 – 6:10 p.m.

Your student's 2nd hour class– Join the Zoom meeting 6:15 – 6:25 p.m.

Your student's 3rd hour class – Join the Zoom meeting 6:30 – 6:40 p.m.

Your student's 4th hour class – Join the Zoom meeting 6:45 – 6:55 p.m.

Your student's 5th hour class – Join the Zoom meeting 7:00 – 7:10 p.m.

Administrative Team and PTA Meetings for Families - Join the Zoom meetings by grade level 7:15 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Links to these meetings will be emailed and will be posted on our school's website.

New Student Meet and Greet

We would like to welcome all of our new transfer students to the Groves community! Our Student Ambassador group will be at Groves High School on September 17th 1-2pm to meet all of our new 10th-12th graders. If you are new to the school, you should have received an email invitation with a Google Form to RSVP for this event. If you are a new student to the school and have not received the email, please contact Mrs. Sak in the Community Service Office at (248)203-3509 or by email at ESak@birmingham.k12.mi.us .

We are looking forward to meeting you!

September 17 - Classes will be held only in the morning, and Teacher Professional Learning will take place in the afternoon. This is also the day that Lifetouch will be on campus from noon until 4 p.m. for school pictures (if your student did not have his/hers taken during registration or your student would like a retake). Those needing a picture taken would report to the west porch and must wear a mask and complete a health screener to enter the building.

September 17 is also Constitution Day, so students will participate in activities that day to honor a Groves tradition.

Athletic Program Updates - Go Falcons!

Varsity Girls Golf

The Varsity Girls Golf team has had an exciting start to the season with Senior Monica Inda shooting her career low round (84) in the League Tournament at Farmington Hills Golf Club! Monica finished 3rd overall out of 36 golfers! Unfortunately, co-captains Eve Collon and Riley Sauter are both unable to participate currently. Monica Inda, Lily Warnica, Rayna Mahadevan, Leyton Brooks and Sara Carlton represented Groves.

Groves played a home match against Farmington Hills on August 27th. Seniors Monica Inda and Aarani Balendran had the low scores for Groves followed by Clarice Kim, Sara Carlton, Lily Warnica and Leyton Brooks. Unfortunately, Groves lost the match.

Coach White was happy to report a victory in the home match against Berkley High School on September 1st. Monica Inda brought home the low score for Groves followed by Leyton Brooks, Ella Blank, Clarice Kim, Rayna Mahadevan and Aarani Balendran. Congrats to Ella Blank as this was her first varsity match!

Junior Varsity Girls Golf

Representing the Junior Varsity team this year are freshman Morgan Kaplan, sophomores Ella Blank, Lauren Stehney, Rayna Mahadevan, Hollis LePage and Juniors Grace Kaufman, Ellie Kroll, Bethany Miller, Evann Oleshansky and Kate VanderWeele.

The team started their season with a close match against Rochester Adams on August 25th. Unfortunately, they lost the match but Coach Bobrow was still very proud of her team and Ella Blank who had the low score for Groves.

The JV team won their second match on August 26th at home against Farmington. Rayna Mahadevan captured the low score for Groves.

Another win was recorded on August 27th against Marian High School. Sophomores Hollis LePage and Lauren Stehney played well and had the low rounds for Groves. Great job!

There are no classes tomorrow, 9/4 or Monday, 9/7, so we hope you have a relaxing long weekend. Please contact me if you have questions.

Thank you!

Dr. Smith

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