

## GCMS SITE BASED COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: March 14, 2022

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Place: Middle School Library

In Attendance: Daniel Fasano, Robyn Madden, Michele Ingoglia, Karen Whiston, Cristina Dickey, Dawn Dennis, Ali Lippens, Ryan Schmidt, Alessandra Bonomi

### Past Events:

1. February's chorus concert was a success. Despite the postponement, the students did a wonderful job and the patriotic theme was very well received.
2. This year's GC Cares-a-thon was well attended, and had a variety of activities and charitable opportunities for all students to participate with.
3. Spring parent teacher conferences are underway, by appointment only. Parents are reminded that if they ever have any questions or concerns regarding their child's progress, they always have the ability to contact the teacher/team.
4. Last week was Hoops for Hope and a very exciting Challenger Basketball game. Ms. Madden discussed the event and how much money was raised for the foundation.

### Future Events:

1. This week the Middle School Theater group will be performing *Into the Woods*. There will be a performance for the 5<sup>th</sup> graders on Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, and four performances for families (March 17<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup> (a matinée and evening)). All performances will be at Stratford Elementary School.
2. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Orientation originally scheduled for January 20<sup>th</sup> has been rescheduled for March 23<sup>rd</sup>.
3. Spring Concerts: Band/PM Jazz April 7<sup>th</sup> and Chorus April 12<sup>th</sup>
4. NYS Assessments are starting this month (ELA Assessment March 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> and Math Assessment April 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>). Parents are asked to submit opt-out notes to their child's guidance counselor by March 21<sup>st</sup>.
5. 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip is the first Friday in May.

### Additional information shared:

1. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade assembly pertaining to Ancient India and Indian dancing and music was received well. The students were happy to be going on field trips again, and the presentation was excellent.

2. The Dance Showcase, for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade dance elective, will be taking place in April. The performance will be videotaped and linked on Google Classroom for the parents to watch. Due to the construction in the auditorium, we are unable to have a live performance this year.

**Note:** A parent asked about interpreting the NWEA data that is posted in Schooltool. Dr. Cannone and Mr. Samuelson have sent out information pertaining to the NWEA. On Schooltool, click on the “E” under your child’s picture, there is a link to follow for more NWEA information (“NWEA Family Report”). The link takes you to the GC School District website where there are many resources to help you read the results. This is one of the links: <https://www.gardencity.k12.ny.us/Page/8855>

Next Meeting: May 16, 2022