

## GCMS SITE BASED COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: October 18, 2021

Time: 3:30 p.m.

Place: Staff Lunchroom

In Attendance: Robyn Madden, Michele Ingoglia, Karen Whiston, Dawn Dennis, Ali Lippens, Ryan Schmidt, Azra Zirhli, Alessandra Bonomi

### Past Events:

1. Mr. Samuelson worked with the PTA to welcome students back with welcome notes on their lockers.
2. Most feel that *Back to School Night* was a success.
3. We are currently up to date with emergency drills (fire, lockdown, etc.)
4. The 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade welcome back parties were apparently enjoyed by all. Lots of food, sports, chalk art and other activities. It *was* suggested that the food be spread out more; it was very crowded at and hard to get to the food tables.
5. Everyone is excited about the 7<sup>th</sup> grade science NASA project and it was explained to us by Azra.

### Future Events:

1. One parent asked whether Parent Teacher Conferences can be virtual in addition to "in person". Difficulties were explained. Dates are November 1, 2 and 4. Matt Samuelson's letter to parents was referenced.
2. Wednesday is Unity Day – wear orange!  
Friday is Breast Cancer Awareness – wear pink!
3. We are welcoming Nadine Wenger – our new Librarian! -- on October 26.
4. The middle school will celebrate Halloween on Friday, October 29. The only masks permitted are for health safety (which we are already wearing).
5. Winter concerts for Orchestra, Band and Chorus will be at the high school on December 9, 16 and 20.

**Note:** One of our Site Based Committee parents expressed her sincere appreciation to us for our many communications and our "hard work" at establishing "normalcy" this school year for students.