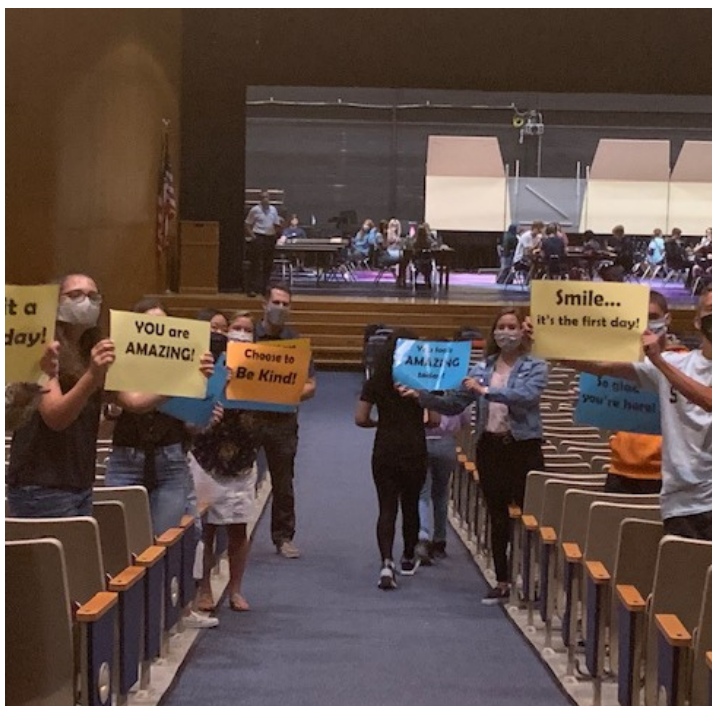


# GAHS BLUE DEVIL DAYS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF GREENCASTLE-ANTRIM HIGH SCHOOL



PEER LEADERS WELCOMING OUR 9TH GRADERS TO LUNCH

## SPIRIT DAYS:

# 9/28-10/2

20 RIVALRY WEEK 20

WAYNESBORO INDIANS VS GREENCASTLE BLUE DEVILS

**Monday & Thursday: Hero Day**  
(dress like a hero from your life, a movie, a tv show, book, etc.)

**Tuesday & Friday: Blue & Gold Day**  
(wear your Rivalry Week shirt and/or blue & gold)

**Wednesday: Jersey Day**  
(take a selfie in your favorite jersey, post to Instagram, and tag goldandblue.studentcrew)

**TEXT YOUR DAILY SPIRIT SELFIES TO REMIND USING THE CODE @rivals2020**

RIVALRY WEEK

## WELCOME BACK

We are excited to have students back in the building! Since school dismissed last March 13th we have embarked on an adventure that has included virtual learning, a virtual prom, individual graduation recognitions, virtual back-to-school open houses and now a hybrid schedule with both in-person and virtual learning. Although things may look a little different, the passion and hard work of our staff and students remains unmatched. The school year is off to a great start and we appreciate your patience, understanding and continued support. Thank you for standing with us, as together we embrace this unique and exciting opportunity to expand the horizons of education. We are G-A Proud!!!

## OUR ATTENDANCE POLICY

Daily attendance is important for both in-person and virtual learning. If a student is expected for in-person learning, they will be marked absent on the day they miss (regardless of whether they logged in). A note will be required to cover the absence. On virtual days, the student will need to login to Schoology during the school day. If they do not login, an absence for that day will be recorded the following day and a notice will be sent by email. A note can be turned in for absences from virtual days as well. Notes can be emailed to ceagler@gcasd.org. Please communicate with your teachers if you have problems submitting your classwork.

# WELCOME NEW TEACHERS

**Vivian Smallwood:** I am coming from Waynesboro Area Middle School where I taught 7th grade Ancient History and 8th grade American History. This is my 7th year teaching Social Studies. I am originally from outside of Philadelphia (Yardley, PA)... Go Birds! I graduated with a Bachelor's in Education from Millersville University in 2013 & last year I graduated from Wilkes University with a Master's in Instructional Technology. I live in Chambersburg with my husband, Brent, and our two dogs and two cats. I am a proud nerd and enjoy playing video games, board games, and

Dungeons & Dragons. I also like to go hiking, kayaking, and camping. I am very excited to be at GAHS and look forward to getting to know all of you better!

**Alex Ramos:** I teach French I and II and Spanish I here at GASD. I have taught for 17 years in three different school districts (Chambersburg, Upper Adams, & G-A) and have taught all levels of Spanish from I-AP. I graduated from Shippensburg University where I participated in Football and Track & Field and obtained my Master's degree from Wilkes University. My wife of 11 years

and I have two boys ages 9 and 5. We currently live in Shippensburg, and attend King Street Church in Chambersburg. We enjoy all sports but American football is by far our favorite. Go Bills and Eagles! We also enjoy playing all kinds of table games such as Trouble, Monopoly Deal, Uno, Yahtzee, Jenga, etc. I have been with GASD since November 2019 and have enjoyed my time here very much. The kids, faculty and community have all been great in welcoming us and I look forward to many more years here in the District.

Welcome also to Cathleen Reese (ESL) and Marrison Alexander (CSC).

## NURSE CORNER

The 2020/21 school year looks a little different for all of us amid COVID 19. The nurses office is doing what it can to keep students safe. As a reminder for everyone, continue to properly wear a mask, wash hands frequently, practice social distancing and if not feeling well or you have a temperature please do not come to school.

Several navigation tools to help your student stay healthy and succeed this year:

**1** Maintain a regular sleep schedule, even when on virtual learning days.

**2** Eat 3 healthy meals daily.

**3** Maintain self-care (i.e. yoga, exercise, reading, etc.)

**4** Have your student complete daily required schoolwork, turn work in on time and turn off all electronics 1 hour before bedtime.

**5** Ask for help when needed.

Juniors remember your physicals are due December 15th. We can accept either a sports physical, private physician physical, or a copy of the student's PA driver's license or permit. You will need to have a second Meningitis vaccine to start your 12th grade year.

Seniors please stop by the nurse office to have your height and weight completed. This information is used to order caps and gowns for graduation.

If you have any concerns regarding COVID or any other questions, please reach out to the nurse M-F 7:00am - 2:45pm.

**Pam Poper, ppopper@gcasd.org or 717-597-3226 x10516**



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## TECHNOLOGY HELP

The Technology department has added many features on our website to make finding help easier! Access the GASD website at [www.gcasd.org](http://www.gcasd.org). Locate the "Technology" tab in the yellow header on the homepage to find more information regarding the ETO Initiative, Internet options and technology requests.

In addition, if you hover on the yellow "Get Help" tab, you will see pull down options for assistance in the areas of Power School, School Messenger, and Schoology. If you still need help, find directions for submitting a help ticket by clicking on the "Get Help" tab.

Our student help desk is back up and running to assist students on days they are in-person learning. Hours of operation are 10:00 am-1:20 pm, Mon, Tues, Thur, and Fri, and is located in the High School Library.