Notification from: Gilford High School



Hello Learners and Parents,

I hope you had a restful and enjoyable holiday season! Now we look to settle in for a solid stretch of learning.

Have a great week!

Anthony Sperazzo Principal





Students win \$1000 grant!

For students who are tuned into solving the world's problems with BIG and small ideas, or who are fans of TV's "Shark Tank", GENYOUth's AdVenture Capital program is the perfect platform for challenging their bright minds. Over 75 students from 15 schools representing 12 states had the chance to flex their social entrepreneurship skills, thinking and creating in a virtual challenge to tackle a real-world problem facing their schools in the SAP "Design 4 Good Challenge."

After hours of brainstorming, and mentoring by SAP and GENYOUth staff members, students designed and pitched their ideas in a 90-second presentation to judges. With the scores calculated, the Gilford High School students were named one of the winners of SAP's "Design 4 Good Challenge" and received a \$1,000 grant for their project to support students' social and emotional health and wellness.

"AdCap provides opportunities to empower and give youth a voice to create solutions that help their school communities," said Alexis Glick, CEO of GENYOUth. "Thanks to the generous support provided by SAP, students are learning, growing and thinking in new ways. Congratulations to all the winners!" The student group consists of 5 freshman students who are looking to make a positive impact on the Gilford School District and community. **Congratulations to Cole Bertholet, Jared Beale, Ava Lien, Nicholas Haddocks, and Brody Testa! And congrats to Mr. Andrew Thurston for working with these students.** "As athletes we understand that the impact of sports stretches beyond the field or court. We are motivated to not only get kids back into doing sports to be more active, but also to help kids find something that they like or they want to try out, while having a positive impact on themselves and others." said Nicholas Haddocks.

The student pitch of the "SOAR program" would empower high school student athletes to mentor other high school or middle school students to get involved through team building activities such as volunteer projects, field day type events, and physical activities such as a walking group or intramural sports. Their hope is this program will hopefully get youth out of their "bubble", support their social and emotional health by being involved in a community program that has a positive impact on others, and also would help bridge the gap between middle school and high school involvement in activities that foster team building and collaboration skills.



To all of our Honor Roll recipients . . . you can see them <u>HERE</u>

A note from Nurse Jenkins...

We are collecting the final <u>Annual Health Update</u> forms that are collected every September. As many of you know, I was out for the month of September on medical leave and this item got overlooked. Please fill this form out on the GHS webpage, located under Health Services, or use this <u>link</u>. If you already completed the form, please ignore this email.

This is a way for you to communicate any health changes, gives permission for over the counter medications and most importantly, allows for the start of emergency treatment in the event we are not able to contact you Thank you.

January 12th- early release

January 17th- NO school- MLK Jr.

January 21st- NO school- Professional Development (staff)



Destination College Speech Contest

Award: \$1000

DEADLINE: March 04, 2022

The Destination College Speech Contest encourages high school seniors to share their college planning advice with current New Hampshire high school juniors in a keynote speech at the annual DC event.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

The DC Speech Contest is open to all college-bound New Hampshire high school public, private, or homeschool seniors. Candidates must be available to participate on each date listed below in Contest Details.

CONTEST DETAILS:

All entries for the DC Speech Contest are due **Friday, March 04, 2022 at 5 p.m.** Submit your 3- to 5-minute speech using the form below. You may choose to provide a written essay or YouTube video. Finalists will be notified the week of **March 7** and will be scheduled to meet with the DC Speech Committee on **Tuesday, March 22, 2022**. The winner will be notified by **Friday, March 25, 2022** and will be required to read his/her speech during Destination College on **Saturday, April 09, 2022**. We will also ask the winner to serve as a panelist during a Destination College workshop that day. If you have questions about the contest, please <u>email us</u>.

The decision of the contest judges will be final and binding. Entries will be judged on content (ability to communicate primary messages), relevance to the target audience, originality, creativity, and artistic and technical proficiency.

WHAT SHOULD YOU WRITE ABOUT?

Your keynote speech should be about your college planning and application experience. You will be speaking to high school juniors from around the state to share your best college planning advice and tips. Share your strategies, what worked, and what you might have done differently. Is there anything that you didn't expect? What did you learn that a current high school junior should know? Remember that your insight will help prepare the junior class for what's down the road. Your speech will help set the tone for the day ahead – so be inspirational, informative or funny (or all of these things!). Please refrain from describing a step-by-step to-do list in your speech. Your goal is to capture the attention and interest of your listeners with your stories and energy!

WHEN IS DESTINATION COLLEGE?

The 23rd Annual <u>Destination College</u> Event will take place on Saturday, April 09, 2022 on the campus of <u>Saint Anselm College</u>. The winner of the contest must be available on this date and is expected to be present at the event.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: destinationcollege.org

2021-2022 Gilford School District Covid Dashboard

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New England Music Festival Results

Students headed up to Hartford, VT on Saturday, December 4th for auditions and we are pleased to announce the following students were accepted to participate in the festival in CT in March:

Anna Cook on soprano in the chorus Grace Cook on alto in the chorus Caitlyn Costa on alto in the chorus Louis Laurendeau on tenor in the chorus Jesse Powers on timpani in the orchestra Mitchell Townsend on trumpet in the band



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Water Facts



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NCAA Guide for College-Bound Student Athlete

Gilford High School Inclement Weather Schedule

The Gilford School Board approved a plan for inclement weather days on December 6, 2021. The first inclement weather day was a traditional snow day. On subsequent inclement weather days, all Gilford schools will implement remote instruction.

> 8:00 - 8:35 block 1 8:40 - 9:15 block 2 9:20 - 9:55 block 3 9:55 - 10:15 break 10:15 - 10:50 block 4 10:55 - 11:30 block 5 11:30 - 12:30 lunch 12:30 - 2:30 office hours



- Students need to attend all virtual classes and continue coursework for the entire remote scheduled block. The school attendance policy will be in effect during these days. If a student is absent, please email ghsabsences@sau73.org to report their absence.

- Complete all assignments

- Communicate with remote teachers, be an active participant within virtual classes, and seek additional assistance when needed.

- Teachers will be available during office hours to answer any questions students have via Google Meet or through email.

Lori Jewett

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