



# Tiger Times

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THE ONLINE NEWSLETTER FOR GUNTER ISD

## New to the District?

Welcome to Gunter ISD! We are so happy you decided to become a Gunter Tiger. Our website is full of information for you to keep up with events all year! Visit <https://www.gunterisd.org> for all your needs. As a quick start, here is some basic information while you are adapting to the Gunter life.

### Hours of Operation:

(Time the building is open)

Elementary School - 7:00 - 3:40

Middle School - 7:10 - 3:45

High School - 7:10 - 3:50

### School Hours:

(Time the students are to be in school)

Elementary School - 7:45 - 3:25

Middle School - 7:55 - 3:30

High School - 8:00 - 3:35 (Tutorials 7:30)

### Cafeteria

You will absolutely love our cafeteria staff. They take pride in student service and tasty food! Mrs. Rogers will post the monthly menus on the website for you to view.

[MySchoolBucks](#) allows you to create an account and add money for your child to purchase food from the cafeteria. In this account, you can find the balance as well as a summary of what they are purchasing.

If you have questions about the cafeteria or MySchoolBucks, direct those questions to the Director of Food Services, Lauren Rogers ([lrogers@gunterisd.org](mailto:lrogers@gunterisd.org))

### Medical Care

Each campus has a qualified nurse to assist students with medical needs that arise during school hours. If you have questions, please contact the appropriate nurse:

GES - Casey Layman ([clayman@gunterisd.org](mailto:clayman@gunterisd.org))

GMS - Nikki Thomas ([nthomas@gunterisd.org](mailto:nthomas@gunterisd.org))

GHS - Jeannie Clarke ([jclarke@gunterisd.org](mailto:jclarke@gunterisd.org))

### Parent Portal

Ascender Parent Portal allows the parent to view posted grades and attendance. You will need a Portal ID to sign up and may obtain that from the campus PEIMS clerk. When making your account, it is important to use the email address you provided the district at registration. This is a security feature to only provide information to people who have been named as a contact in the child's profile.

## Important REMINDERS

- **Monday, September 6th** is a **SCHOOL HOLIDAY**. Students and faculty will not attend school. Enjoy the 3 day weekend!
- September 10th - Middle School Fall Sport Pictures.
- Any GHS student who drives to school must have a parking permit. These may be purchased online at <https://tinyurl.com/GHSparkingpermit>
- We're thrilled to announce Gunter Independent School District's new app! It's everything Gunter ISD, in your pocket. Keep up with news, posts, and events all in one place. Download the app on Android: <https://bit.ly/3xB9g1R> or iPhone: <https://apple.co/3xCMOp0>.
- Homecoming is September 24th. The Greatest Show on Turf! Watch for the schedule of events to be posted on our website and social media. Order your Homecoming shirt from this link: [Gunter Tiger Fan Club](#)

## Homecoming Spirit Days

**TIME MONDAY** - Wear your black and white stripes.

**TWIN TUESDAY** - Twin with your bestie - circus attire is a plus!

**Wild Wednesday** - Dress up like your favorite circus animal or wear animal print.

**COTTON CANDY THURSDAY** - Wear **PINK**. Pink tutu's, socks, hats, wigs! **PINK** it out!

**Friday - Spirit Day!** Wear **BLUE & WHITE**  
GHS STUDENTS wear your **class** colors!  
(Freshman - Black, Sophomore - Grey, **Junior - Blue**, **Senior - White**)

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## Find Us!

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# First Day GUNTER ISD



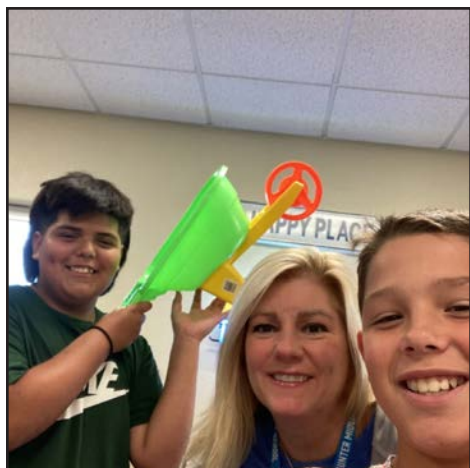
The sun didn't shine on our first day of school, but the raindrops did not dampen the spirits of the Gunter Tigers. So many SMILES and lots of LAUGHTER filled our halls once again, and we could not be happier in G-Town!

Students arriving in the elementary car line found their door being opened by GISD Superintendent, Scott Martindale. He was ready with the umbrella and a vibrant, colorful suit that would make any frown turn upside-down!

Middle school students were greeted by their teachers as they arrived and high school students anxiously awaited in line to receive their schedule.



Teachers at all campuses were ready with activities in their classroom to get the students acquainted with each other. The activities helped the students build communication skills, problem solving techniques, and to work with a group. All of which are skills they will need in their lifetime!





# Convocation MAKE A DIFFERENCE

2021-22 OFFICIALLY began at Gunter ISD with Convocation. The faculty gathered together for inspiration where Mr. Martindale challenged his faculty and staff to **MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**

No matter what role we play in the district, Mr. Martindale assured each and every person that what we do and how we do it could change someone's life. "There's no need to fail when success is offered everyday."

Special thanks to Scout Troop #3 for leading us in the opening pledge, to the 2020-21 Teachers of the Year for motivating us to remember where we came from, how we got here and to be here every day for our students (and each other), and the GHS Band and Cheerleaders for ending the gathering with a bang!



# Convocation TEACHERS OF THE YEAR

Hearing from our peers is powerful! Someone who works alongside us, whom we've chosen as one of our best, knows exactly what we need to hear. For that reason, it is a tradition for the GISD Teachers of the Year to speak at convocation.



Telling her story of learning to LOVE and really KNOWING her students, GES Teacher of the

Year, Danette Jewell, reminded us why we have chosen to work in an educational environment. Many educators choose this profession because of family, which is also true for Danette. She spent many hours as a child at the school because her mom and grandmother both worked there. Side by side, she would walk, learn, and collect "cherished items" that would finally chart her course as an educator.

Mentors are priceless! Danette admitted that her first year as a teacher might have been her last if it weren't for a colleague. This veteran teacher helped her to understand that we are not here to control, but to lead. Danette said, "This made me think back to my Grandma Barb, and how she got the kids in detention to respect and work for her: by showing up for them day after day and doing the work alongside them, while also showing them that she genuinely cared about them. I needed to take the time to really get to know my students." You see, Danette's mom and grandmother weren't classroom teachers, but were members of the custodial staff who taught students the value of hard work and relationships. We are ALL in this together! We are so excited that Danette did not leave teaching that first year and found her way to Gunter where she belongs.

Sometimes having family in education makes us want to go in a totally different direction, but no matter how hard we try,

we find ourselves right back in it... which is the case of our GMS Teacher of the Year, April Loewen.



April was star struck and had Broadway dreams, but the stage took a backseat to life challenges.

Back home in Whitesboro, she found a job with the Grayson County Special Education Co-op as a PPCD aide. With a push (or shove) by her father, April went through the alternative certification program and received her Special Education K-12 Certification. An educator, who believed strongly in education guided April in the direction of education; that educator was her father. As educators, we never give up on a student! April said, "My journey to teaching may look different than yours. I didn't plan to be a teacher, aspire to be a teacher or want to be a teacher. Teaching called me to its profession." All the world is a stage, April, and we are so glad you are performing each and every day in your classroom for the most important audience of all! We know your father is so excited for you!

We know, as educators, that people think we are in this for the "summer vacation" ... but, what they don't understand is that many of us give up time in our summer to work with our students in extra-curricular areas. We don't do this because we are paid for those months, we do it because our students have maneuvered their way into our hearts, and we can't let them down. The GHS Teacher of the Year, Wendy Osburn, spent most of her summer vacation with FFA students.

Teachers need time to recharge, time to stop and collect their thoughts. Every profession allows for vacation time, and teachers are no different. Wendy reminds us that our days are like the waters at the beach. The beach can be such a calming place ... unless, of course, a storm comes.

The best days, the days where there are no storms and you can see the water clear down to the sand are heaven! We feel safe, we feel confident, we feel like we can conquer the world.

The "not so perfect" days, the days when the waters are stirring up the mud a little and fogging our view are harder. We feel anxious, we question whether we are making a difference, we keep on moving to keep our head above water.

The days where the water is so muddy we can't see anything are the hardest. It is a storm, and we have to reach out for help because we can't possibly get through this storm alone.



How do we make it through the rougher waters? Wendy reminds us to lean on others for help, and to

stay positive. Her favorite saying is "Being negative only makes a difficult journey more difficult. You may be given a cactus, but you DON'T have to sit on it!"

All of those days spent with a student is worth every minute. You may not see success minute by minute, but you will see success. In Wendy's case this summer, she saw the culmination of many years of hard work. Walking alongside one of her students, whom she had spent hours with in preparation for so many events throughout the years, who finally reached his ultimate goal of becoming a STATE FFA Officer, he looked at her and said, "WE DID IT"! He didn't say I, he said WE! Wendy, we love the path you walk with your students. You not only teach them your subject, you prepare them for life. And yes, you are "AGTASTIC"!

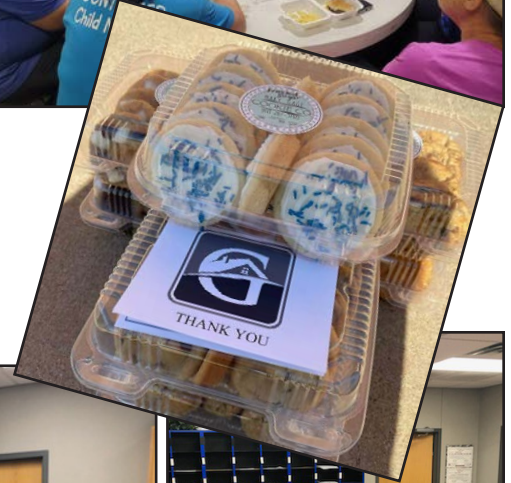
Thank you so much for sharing your stories with us. We always need to remember we are not alone, that we are here for a greater purpose, and that we are making a difference.



# Thank You!

We always have so much support and love shown to our staff at the start-up of school. Thank you to the following people for your kindness!

- Johnna McQuillan with Ebby Halliday for providing lunch at New Staff Orientation.
- Mr. Terry Thomas from Farm Bureau for grilling burgers for the staff of GISD.
- GHS PTO and 2B Home Realty Group (Megan Beckley) for spoiling the high school campus with a full spread of awesome food for lunch.
- GIFT combined efforts with the district to provide lunch from Tenders, and then had an awesome give-a-way for the staff at Gunter ISD.
- GMS PTO for an evening meal while the teachers prepared for Meet the Teacher.
- GES PTO for planning a back to school bash and always spoiling our teachers.
- Gunter Tiger Fan Club for planning Meet the Tigers and always supporting our athletes.
- Mercados, Poppa's BBQ and Merlene's for setting up food stands at Meet the Tigers.
- Goetz Realty for spoiling the teachers with Mary Gage Cookies.
- Horace Mann for quenching our thirst with Sonic drinks.



## Community Volunteer Opportunity

Gunter Brew House sponsors "Feed the City" every month. This would be a great opportunity for our students to earn volunteer hours. The event happens every 4th Saturday from 9-11 AM at the Gunter Brew House.

Contact Jessica Burkholder for more information.



### "Growing Gunter Middle School Project"

A Ford Scholar Service Project, was completed by our former FFA student, Cassady Craddock. She has donated the Greenhouse to help serve as a project center for the Middle School Science & STEAM Classes. The Greenhouse is located West of the Tiger Gardens behind GMS. The Teachers of GMS will be able to use the greenhouse for labs and class science projects. Cassady is currently a student at Texas Tech University and studying Animal Science.







# Farm Fresh Challenge

## 10 Consecutive Years!

We are excited to announce that our awesome cafeteria staff has earned the TDA 2021 Spring Farm Fresh Challenge Award for the 10th year in a row! The TDA Farm Fresh Challenge is a fun and engaging way to earn recognition for their efforts in serving local foods in our cafeterias.



## Transportation

### NOTES

With our new traffic light at the intersection of 289 and 121 comes new problems. The light is **not** the problem, but we have become aware of people using side roads to "dodge" the new light. This is not only a problem, but a safety issue.

Student safety is our number one priority, and we have noticed increased traffic on side streets where we are letting students off of the bus. The streets often do not have sidewalks and this leaves children walking on the same streets you are using to avoid the light.

We are asking that you plan accordingly and leave a few minutes earlier and take the most direct route to your destination even if that route happens to be 121/289. We **definitely** don't want anyone hitting our students, and reducing traffic on their streets is the best way possible.

The minutes you are trying to save could cost a student their life. Please drive safe, pay attention, watch for our kids, and most importantly stop for the bus when loading and unloading children.



Please be on the lookout for our school buses. STOP means STOP. If you need to review the laws regarding school buses, please visit <https://www.drive-safely.net/school-bus-laws/#texas>

If you still need to register your child to ride the bus, please visit <https://www.gunterisd.org/page/transportation> and click the link to the 2021-2022 Bus Registration Form. Please allow 48 hours to process your request.

Special thanks to all of our awesome drivers who deliver the most precious cargo to school and back home again!

Nicole Mann | Mark Neely | Mark Williams | Erin Mathers | Ron Patton | Nick Larusso | Ken Thorne | Jeremiah Barnett



# Classroom Sneak Peek

## ELEMENTARY



Our students are so lucky to have great teachers who make learning fun. At the elementary school, the students have been learning how to be good classmates and work together. The teachers used a variety of activities to help students learn kindness and teamwork. From books, to cups, to imagination, our students are learning skills for a lifetime!



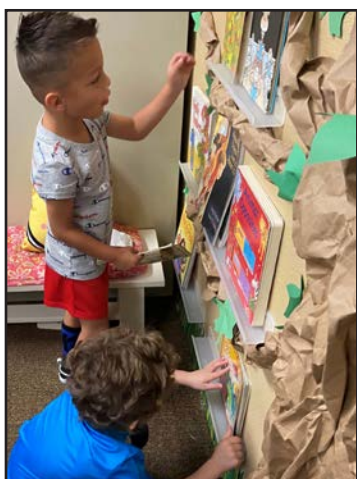
Take a look inside some of our classrooms to see how the teachers are making learning fun!

Mrs. Harper's students started the year off with a bang by reading, "My Mouth is a Volcano" and doing science experiments. After reading the book, they talked about how to have self control and not erupt like a volcano.



After reading "The King of Kindergarten" on the first day of school, the kindergarten students have been working very hard to earn their crowns. We know that it takes being kind, responsible, and working hard to be REAL Gunter Tigers and REAL kings and queens of kindergarten.

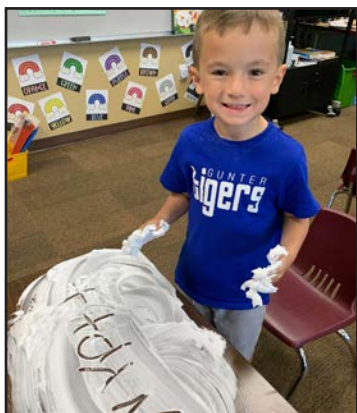
To promote teamwork and communication, Mrs. Pelzel and Mrs. Jewell's science classes were challenged to make a cup tower without using their hands. The string and rubber band tool along with sharing ideas and working as a team helped them make 4 and 5 story towers! It was a lot of fun for our first STEM activity of the year!



Mrs. Perez's students have spent a lot of time in the centers learning how to play together and share.

Mrs. Ulch's class had some good clean fun writing letters and names in shaving cream.

Mrs. Cooke's students had fun using all of their math tools from their "Math Tubbies".







## Readers Are Champions!

The elementary school held the annual **Readers are Champions Assembly** to honor the students who spent time over the summer reading. As the guest speakers, some Gunter "**champions**" traveled south from the high school to speak to the students. Coach Fieszel and some of our football captains talked about their favorite book and the importance of reading everyday. The students loved hearing from our varsity players, and learned that reading is something that stays with you at all ages. Once the speakers were done, the students who completed their summer teaching challenge were given an award and gift card for their participation in the program! That's a double win... they learned that reading was fun AND they received an award! A special thanks to Mrs. Johnson for organizing this event every year, and Coach Fieszel and our athletes for speaking to our Tiger cubs.



September 27th – September 30th from 8:30 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

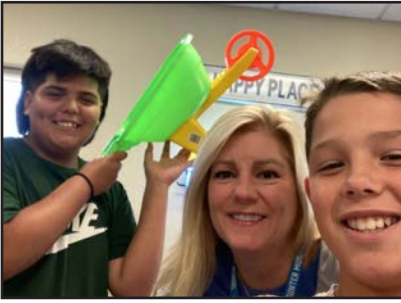
Students will have the opportunity to visit the Scholastic Book Fair with their class.

No special events are planned at this time.



# Classroom Sneak Peek

## MIDDLE SCHOOL



The year started off with FUN DAY! This is a day given to the students and teachers time to get to know each other through activities. From team building activities, to scavenger hunts, to building things with Lego's, the students had a lot of fun, but more importantly got to know each other.

The fun doesn't stop with fun day! Inside the classroom, students will always find unique lessons from the Gunter Middle School teachers!



Mrs. Castellow's 8th graders worked together to build trusting cultures within their English classes. They explored the concept of hexagonal thinking to make connections with each other. Students developed descriptions of themselves and filled each section of the hexagon shape with different details. Next, students collaborated in groups to find connections with each other until they realized that we are ALL connected in many ways. Students will continue to develop the skill of making connections with the literature they read, the life they experience, and the world around them throughout the school year.



Students in Mrs. Nicholson's class worked on creativity and writing collaborative stories in a round robin writing activity.

5th grade math was SWEET the first week of school as the classroom was turned into a candy shop! Students worked hard visiting multiple areas of the "store" such as the Gummy Bear Shop, Smarties Shop, Lollipop Shop, etc. as they reviewed rounding decimals with problems that related to delicious candy! The best part...the scrumptious treat that came with the completion of each station!

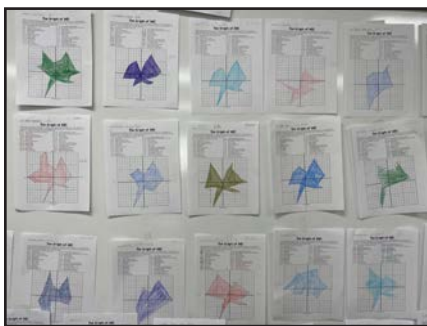
Students in Mrs. Harden's art class have been exploring media and reflecting on what type of artists they are.





# Classroom Sneak Peek

## HIGH SCHOOL



We are all unique, smart, and part of a team; the TIGER team!

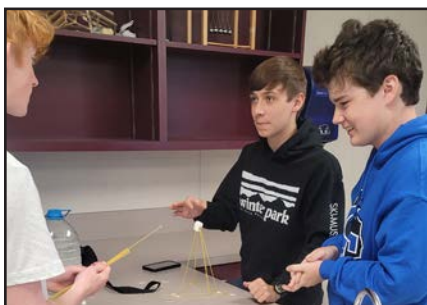
In Mrs. Reeve's geometry class, students plotted points on the coordinate plan using information that was true about themselves. They connected their points to create a polygon that was unique. Every one is different and special in their own way, and now the GHS geometry students have a graph to prove it.

Students in Mrs. Wade's art class started the year off with a "Continuous Line Drawing". They were paired up and had to draw their partner. Every drawing brought a smile to their partner's face. They showed just how different we all are!



AP Physics students were challenged to work together as a group to build the tallest tower in the classroom. They could only use spaghetti noodles, string, tape and 1 marshmallow. The catch ... the marshmallow had to be on TOP. In this activity, the students learned to listen to their group ideas to find the best choice.

Solving for "X" is not always fun, but in this math room, the students don't mind solving equations! Mr. Scoggins' classes participated in a Solving Equations Bingo activity that involved solving a set of algebraic equations and matching their answers with the numbers on their bingo "boards". Each student that achieved a bingo won a small "prize." In all Precalculus classes, the students worked through a series of 10 "clues" or problems by converting degrees and radians in a Clue™-style Whodunnit mystery game. The correct solution to each clue eliminated possible suspects, locations, and "tools" used to commit the crime until the actual suspect, location, and "tool" was discovered.



Precalculus students Aubrey Walton and Kailey Tokarz examine a clue to solve the Whodunnit mystery game.



Precalculus students working on converting degrees and radians to solve a Whodunnit mystery. (Pictured Left to Right Clockwise: Zach Boland, Nick Bullard, Trey Walton, Tony Fraire, Nathan Nelson, Adam Reed, and Ethan Sloan).



Honors Algebra 2 student, Dominic Gugliotta, is working hard on getting a bingo by solving algebraic equations.



Mr. Scoggins' Honors Algebra 2 students diligently working on solving equations and matching their answers on their bingo boards. (Pictured L to R: Daniel Dominguez, Brayden Hinton, Casey Ploch, Hayden Rippamonti, and Colson Wood)

Precalculus students, Ray Mauldin and Adelie Brackeen, thinking hard about how to solve the clue for the Whodunnit mystery game.







The first official Fish Camp is in the books, and the students had a great time competing against the other Legacy Houses! The activities helped students get to know each other and feel more comfortable making the move to high school.

## Student ORGANIZATIONS



From the football field, to pep rallies, to competition...  
YOU ROCK!



After a combined 13 hours of work, with the help of some amazing student leaders, 5,152 dots were placed onto our newly painted practice field to create a 1-step grid! Adding to our toolbox to give us the best chance to make it to #state! Zoom in to see the work!

## FFA

Congratulations to all the Gunter FFA members that showed this weekend at the North Texas Fair! Lots of lessons were learned and they are ready to tackle the upcoming show season. Congratulations to Holsten Standerfer on placing 5th overall and Brooks Griggs-Bell for Reserve Breed Simbrah!





# Sports

Meet the Tiger Night was another huge success! We announced the fall athletes and the little tigers were able to get all of their signatures! Thank you to the GTFC and the cheerleaders for planning the event.



## Pep Rally

We got a real jam goin' down, welcome to the Gunter Space Jam! The first pep rally is in the books, and it was an exciting time. Lola Bunny showed up with her team, the seniors won the game battle thanks to Kenny's awesome basketball skills (even while sitting down) and the 6th grade won the spirit stick! Great job on the planning cheerleaders! We are excited to see what you have planned for the rest of them.



## Cross Country RESULTS

### 8/21 Commerce Invitational

#### Girls

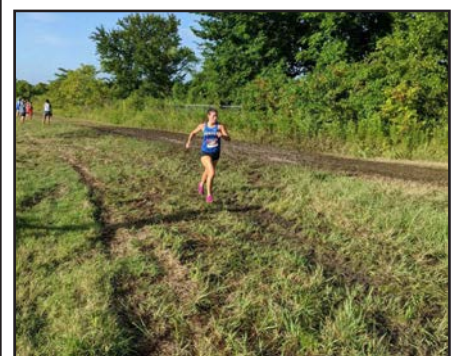
- Individual: Sara Denton (12:40) 1st Place
- Team - 4th Place (60 teams)

Avery Hale, Sarah Beth Jackson, Emma McMahon, Sarah Denton, Grace Dainauski, Shelby Blansett

#### Boys

- Individual: Brody McDonald 24th Place - time 20:16 (154 runners)

Next Meeting: September 4th @ S&S





## AUGUST SCOREBOARD

### VARSITY

Aug 27 Sunnyvale 43-7 WIN

### JV BLUE

Aug 26 Sunnyvale 21-0 WIN

### JV WHITE

Aug 26 Van Alstyne 41-7 WIN



The one and only GHS Student Section! Always full of spirit on Friday nights :)



## Friday Night Lights

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## 2021 High School Volleyball Scoreboard

### Varsity

8/10 vs Peaster 25-14, 25-10, 26-24 WIN

8/11 vs Argyle 25-17, 22-25, 19-25, 26-24, 12-15 LOSS

### 8/14 Garland Tournament 3rd Place

• Gunter vs Montwood El Paso 25-15, 25-12 WIN

• Gunter vs Naaman Forest 25-13, 25-7 WIN

• Gunter vs Woodrow Wilson 25-20, 25-18 WIN

• Gunter vs Frisco High 25-10, 25-22 WIN

• Gunter vs Plano High 21-25, 25-21, 24-26 LOSS

• Gunter vs Wylie East 26-24, 25-19 WIN

8/17 vs Pilot Point 25-9, 25-7, 25-14 WIN

### 8/20 Glen Rose Tournament - 4th Place

• Brownwood: 25-19, 25-15 WIN

• Bridgeport: 25-18, 25-9 WIN

• Iowa Park: 25-12, 25-15 WIN

• Eastern Hills: 25-1, 25-4 WIN

• Spring town: 25-19, 15-25, 25-15 WIN

• China Spring: 25-19, 25-20 WIN

• Liberty Hill: 12-25, 22-25 LOSS

• Bushland: 22-25 25-18, 23-25 LOSS

8/24 vs Decatur 24-26, 16-25, 22-24 LOSS

8/31 vs Celina 25-16, 25-17, 25-23 WIN



### Junior Varsity

8/17 vs Pilot Point - WIN

8/24 vs Decatur - WIN

8/31 vs Celina - WIN

### Freshmen

8/11 vs Argyle - LOSS

8/11 vs Peaster - LOSS

8/17 vs Pilot Point - WIN

8/24 vs Decatur - WIN

8/31 vs Celina - LOSS



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Congratulations to  
Miranda Putnicki on her  
commitment to play for  
Michigan State!



### Middle School

vs. Howe

7B - lost

8B - won

7A - won (in 3, 16-14 in the 3rd)

8A - won (in 2)

vs. Bonham

7B - lost (11-25, 13-24)

8B - won the first 25-22, losing as time expired in the second 5-11

7A - lost (12-25, 15-25)

8A - won (25-13, 25-8)

GEAR UP FOR GUNTER  
VOLLEYBALL  
T-Shirt Fundraiser  
guntertees.com - Deadline:  
September 8th





# Gunter Independent School District Board Briefs

Thursday, August 12, 2021

## GISD Regular Board Meeting 6:00pm

The Regular meeting was called to order by Scott Meyerdirk, Board President. A quorum was established.

**ATTENDANCE:** Board members included: Shelli Hales, Dr. Gary Harris, Scott Meyerdirk, Jason Padgett and Lynn Reed; District attendance included: Superintendent Scott Martindale, Caleb Bell, Brittany Floyd, Kensie Woods and Melissa Kelly.

### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

- Monthly Financial Report
- Communications
  - Enrollment Projections as of 8/9/21 –

Elementary School	429
Middle School	340
High School	363
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1132</b>
  - 2021-2022 Budget Presentation
  - Summer Projects Update
  - Teacher Hot Spots
  - Student Technology Devices
  - Upcoming Events/Meetings Dates were shared

### **BOARD MEMBER REPORT**

- 87th Legislative Session Training Dates were shared with the board

### **CONSENT AGENDA/ROUTINE BUSINESS:**

- Minutes for July 15, 2021 Board Meeting
- Billing for July 2021

### **REGULAR BUSINESS**

- The Board approved Policy DEC (LOCAL) Leaves and Absences as presented.
- The Board approved raising Adult Breakfast Price to \$2.50 and Adult Lunch Price to \$4.75 effective August 1, 2022.
- The Board approved the Employee Handbook for 2021-2022.
- The Board approved the Student Handbook for 2021-2022.
- The Board approved the Student Code of Conduct for 2021-2022.
- The Board approved the Gunter ISD Multi Hazard Emergency Operations Plan for 2021-2022.

### **CLOSED SESSION – NO ACTION**

- Board Discussed an offer on the 1.93 acres of land owned behind Sonic
- Mr. Martindale shared that TASB will be doing a Pay Systems Review in March of 2022
- Mr. Martindale shared Personnel Update
  - New – Sherry Watson – GISD Food Service  
Megan Jackson – GCSEC Aide  
Cindy Jester – GCSEC Aide
  - Resigned – Elain Marshall – GISD Food Service  
Felicia Whaley – GCSEC Aide

**ADJOURNMENT:** Regular meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:49 pm





# Gunter Independent School District Board Briefs

Thursday, August 26, 2021

## **GISD Public HEARING 6:00pm**

Public Hearing to discuss the Proposed 2021-2022 Tax Rate and Budget was called to order by Scott Meyerdirk, Board President. A quorum was established. Gabe Johnson was absent. All other members were present.

## **GISD Special Board Meeting 6:17pm**

The Special meeting was called to order by Scott Meyerdirk, Board President. A quorum was established.

**ATTENDANCE:** Board members included: Shelli Hales, Dr. Gary Harris, John Jonas, Scott Meyerdirk, Jason Padgett and Lynn Reed; District attendance included: Superintendent Scott Martindale, Grayson County Special Education Director Christy Nolen, Grayson County Special Education Assistant Director Lacy Russell, Grayson County Special Education Business Manager Renee Maples, Gunter Director of Business Services Brittany Floyd, Executive Director Caleb Bell and Gunter Technology Director Melissa Kelly.

## **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

- Enrollment Update as of 8/23

Elementary	416
Middle School	347
High School	357
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1120</b>
- Back to School Update

## **REGULAR BUSINESS**

- The Board approved the Grayson County Special Education Co-op SSA Budget as presented for the 2021-2022 school year.
- The Board approved the Tax Rate at \$1.468 for 2021-2022.
- The Board approved the Gunter ISD Budget as presented for the 2021-2022 school year.
- The Board approved Year End Budget Amendments and Transfer of Appropriations.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

- Personnel Update –
  - New Hires –
    - Melody Axe – GCSEC Aide
    - Madison Banta – GCSEC Aide
    - Taylor Daley – GCSEC Aide
    - Tessa Madole – GCSEC Aide
    - Erin Mathers – GISD Part-time Bus Driver
    - Vicki Moody – GISD Educational Aide @ GHS
    - Sherry Nachlinger – GCSEC Aide
  - Resignations –
    - Angela Estes – GCSEC Aide
    - Darlene Hess – GCSEC Aide

**ADJOURNMENT:** Regular meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:20pm



# September 2021

Always double check the district website calendar for updates!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 GHS Yearbook Pictures	2 5p JWV Football @ Pottsboro 7p JVB Football @ Pottsboro <b>V Volleyball Tourn @ Commerce</b>	3 4:30p Volleyball @ Melissa 7:30p Football @ Gunter vs Pottsboro	4 <b>V Volleyball Tourn @ Commerce</b>
5	6 <b>School Holiday</b>  <b>Labor Day</b>	7 5p Volleyball @ Aubrey	8	9 5p JWV Football @ Gunter vs Whitesboro 5p MS Volleyball @ Whitewright 7p JVB Football @ Gunter vs Whitesboro	10 Middle School Fall Sport Pictures 4p Volleyball vs Howe @ Gunter 7:30p Football @ Whitesboro	11 JV Volleyball Tourn @ Aubrey
12	13 5p MS Volleyball vs Leonard @ Gunter	14 5p Volleyball @ Leonard	15	16 5p JWV Football @ Gunter vs Pilot Point 7p JVB Football @ Gunter vs Pilot Point	17 4:30p Volleyball @ Bonham 7:30p Football @ Pilot Point	18 FFA Greenhand Conference
19	20 5p MS Volleyball @ Bells 6p School Board Meeting	21 5p Volleyball @ Pottsboro	22	23 7p JVB Football @ Whitewright	24 4p Volleyball vs Whitewright @ Gunter 7:30p Football @ Gunter vs Whitewright <b>HOMECOMING</b>	25 6P GHS Choir Character Dinner
26	27 6P FFA Chapter Meeting	28 5P Volleyball vs Blue Ridge @ Gunter	29	30 TBD JWV Football vs Jacksboro 7P JVB Football @ Gunter vs Bells	1 4:30P Volleyball @ Bells 7:30P Football @ Bells	2