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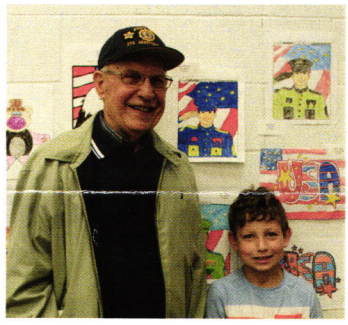
December 2017

Ste. Genevieve R-II School District Newsletter

Veterans Day Tribute

Pride, respect, honor, commitment, bravery, service, sacrifice and gratitude are just a few things that come to mind when we think of the men and women who have served in our Armed Forces. Veteran's Day is an opportunity for us to remember and honor those who are currently or have served in the military. The lives we have, our freedom and our opportunities are here because of their service. Thank you.



The Ste. Genevieve R-II School District commemorated Veteran's Day on November 8th and 9th with a variety of programs and activities. Veterans from all branches of the military were honored during three student-led assemblies.

Students recognized veterans throughout our community as well as family members. Donuts, cookies and coffee were served in the elementary schools, and Ste. Genevieve Middle and Ste. Genevieve High School hosted a community lunch reception. VFW Post 2210 opened all of the assemblies with the presentation of the colors. Both of the elementary programs included recognition by Mrs. Sharon Giesler and Mrs. Lois Flieg for winners of the VFW Post 2210 Auxiliary Patriotic Art and Writing Contest. Elementary students performed the White Table Ceremony in remembrance of all the men and women either Missing in Action or Prisoners of War.

The SGMS and SGHS program was hosted in the Peggy J. Johnson Gymnasium. Those in attendance were not only able to recognize veterans present, but they also got to see messages from SGHS Alumni currently serving thanks to the work of the Broadcasting class. MASN Wyatt Flieg delivered the Pledge of Allegiance, Sergeant Mark Gibson addressed the student body in the Patriotic Commentary and Chief Warrant Officer Kelly Bonds delivered the closing words. The students were challenged to really think about the Oath of Enlistment our Veterans take. They were challenged to demonstrate integrity, respect and value throughout their lives. If you are interested in watching the Veteran's Day Tribute program, it can be found at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b7LWbpW3WrE.

Elementary Breakfast Programs Yield Increase in Participation

Serving breakfast in the classroom has significantly increased the number of students eating what many consider the most important meal of the day. Starting the day with a healthy breakfast ensures that children have the nutrition they need to learn and thrive, but for too many families, starting the morning with a healthy meal is difficult. The Ste. Genevieve R-II School District is using grant money from the Midwest Dairy Council, an affiliate of the National Dairy Council, to help combat this issue. The grant funds were used to purchase equipment at Bloomsdale Elementary and Ste. Genevieve Elementary.

The push is part of a nationwide opportunity to receive up to $5,000 per school to support the purchase of a variety of equipment. The Ste. Genevieve R-II School District is one of 93 schools to receive these grant funds. Green wagons to transport breakfast to and from classrooms, coolers and reusable ice packs to keep food chilled are just a few of the items purchased to ensure the breakfast foods are properly maintained during transport to classrooms. Clipboards with storage for teachers and food service staff help track breakfast participation and monitor food allergies. Also, to accommodate the new items and equipment, shelving has been added.

The Breakfast in the Classroom program recorded data shows, "a little over half of the low-income children who are eligible for a free or reduced-price breakfast through the federal School Breakfast Program are eating it." Ste. Genevieve R-II saw that Breakfast in the Classroom takes the traditional school breakfast approach and improves it by moving breakfast into the classroom. Breakfast is available to every child regardless of the family's income level, helping them achieve a healthier day.

The Department of Agriculture research shows:

-Eating breakfast can help improve math, reading and standardized test scores.

-Children who eat breakfast are more likely to behave better in school and get along with their peers.

-Breakfast helps children pay attention, perform problem-solving tasks and improve memory.

-Children who eat school breakfast are likely to have fewer absences and incidents of tardiness.

Looking at breakfast participation data for the 2017-2018 school year, Ste. Geneveive R-II has seen the number of students eating breakfast increase by 76% at Bloomsdale Elementary and Ste. Genevieve Elementary combined. "We are thrilled to have been chosen to receive two school nutrition equipment grants," said Dr. Jeff Lindsey, Superintendent of Schools. "We believe the BIC program is a simple and easy way to bring the benefits of school breakfast to our elementary children. Through these grant funds, we will be able to ensure that every child has the opportunity to eat breakfast and get the nutritional boost they need to get their day started every morning."

DECEMBER 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
School closing due to inclement weather will be announced to the following: KREI 800 AM KSGM 980 AM KFMO 1240 AM KTJJ 98.5 FM B104.3 FM CHANNEL 990 & 991 (CABLE) KTVI CHANNEL 2 KMOV CHANNEL 4 KSDK CHANNEL 5 KFVS CHANNEL 12					**1** HS Varsity Boys BB Tournament @ Desoto (TBD) HS Wrestling Tournament @ Westminster (TBD)	**2**
3 BLE PTA Santa Shop Dec 4 - Dec 8	**4** HS JV Boys BB Tournament @ Meadow Heights (TBD) HS Girls BB vs. Windsor 6pm	**5** HS Boys BB @ Saxony Lutheran 5pm HS Band Winter Concert @ PAC 7pm	**6** HS Girls BB @ St. James 6pm	**7** HS Wrestling @ Cape Central 6pm HS JV Wrestling Tournament @ Windsor (TBD)	**8** HS Boys BB vs.Valle 6pm MS Winter Dance 5-8pm	**9** HS Wrestling Tournament @ Union 9am Serve SG Free Yard Sale Cafeteria 8am - 11am
10 MS/HS Choir Winter Concert 4 pm SGE PTA Holiday Shop Dec 11 - Dec 15	**11** HS Girls BB vs. Arcadia Valley 6pm	**12** HS Boys BB @ Hillsboro 5pm HS Wrestling @ North Co 6pm BLE Grade 2&3 Christmas Program (TBD)	**13**	**14** MS Band Winter Concert @ PAC 6:30pm ---------- HS Girls BB @ St. Vincent JV Tournament (TBD) ----------	**15** HS Boys BB @ Jefferson R-7 5:30pm MS Play @ PAC 6:30pm HS Wrestling Tournament @ Harrisonville (TBD)	**16**
17	**18** HS 9th Boys BB vs. Grandview 4:30pm HS JV, Varsity Boys BB vs. West County 6pm HS Girls BB @ Seckman 5:30pm	**19** SGE DARE Graduation @ PAC 6 pm Board of Ed Mtg 7pm	**20** 2nd Quarter Ends Early Dismissal 1pm	**21** NO SCHOOL HS JV Wrestling Tournament @ Cape Central (TBD)	**22** NO SCHOOL	**23**
24 Christmas Eve	**25** Christmas Day NO SCHOOL	**26** NO SCHOOL ----------	**27** NO SCHOOL HS Boys & Girls BB Park Hills Christmas Tournament @ Park Hills Central (TBD) ----------	**28** NO SCHOOL	**29** NO SCHOOL	**30**
31 New Year's Eve						

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If you want to find out scores of athletic events or learn more about SG R-II activities, check out our Twitterfeed.
Website: www.sgdragons.org
Twitter: @stegenr2

JANUARY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 New Year's Day NO SCHOOL	**2** NO SCHOOL HS Boys BB @ Cape Central 5pm	**3** CLASSES RESUME	**4**	**5** HS Boys BB vs. North County 5pm	**6** HS Wrestling SG Tournament vs Owensville, Dexter, St. Clair Fulton (TBD) HS 9th Wrestling @ Jackson (TBD)
7	**8** HS Girls BB vs. Bismarck 6pm	**9** HS Boys BB @ Arcadia Valley 6pm	**10** HS Wrestling @ Sikeston 5pm	**11** HS Girls BB @ Potosi 6pm	**12** HS Boys BB vs. Park Hills Central 6pm	**13** HS Girls BB @ Valle 6pm HS Wrestling Tournament @ Branson (TBD)
14	**15** ML King Day NO SCHOOL HS JV Boys BB Old Settlement Tournament (TBD) HS Girls BB vs. St. Vincent 6pm	**16** HS Boys BB @ DeSoto 4:30pm Board of Ed Mtg 7pm	**17** HS JV Boys BB Old Settlement Tournament (TBD)	**18** HS Girls BB @ Park Hills Central 6pm	**19** HS Boys BB @ Potosi 6pm MS Movie Night 5-8pm -- HS Wrestling SEMO Conference Tournament -- @ New Madrid (TBD)	**20** HS JV Boys BB Old Settlement Tournament (TBD)
21	**22** HS Girls BB vs. Farmington 6pm	**23** HS Boys BB vs. St. Vincent 5pm HS Wrestling @ DeSoto 5pm	**24**	**25** HS Girls BB vs. Fredericktown 6pm HS Wrestling vs. MICDS, St. Charles West 5pm	**26** HS Boys BB @ Farmington 5pm	**27** HS JV Wrestling SEMO JV Conference Tournament @ Jackson (TBD)
28	**29** HS Girls BB @ North County 6pm	**30** HS Boys BB vs. Fredericktown 6pm	**31**			

The SGMS Sports Schedule is available online at www.sgdragons.org. Select calendars then sports calendars.

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Notes:

FEBRUARY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 Groundhog Day HS Wrestling @ Farmington 5pm	3 HS Boys & Girls BB MAAA Conference Tournament @ MAC (TBD)
4	5 ----------	6 ---------- HS Boys & Girls BB MAAA Conference Tournament @ MAC (TBD) ----------	7 HS JV Boys BB Tournament @ North County (TBD)	8 ----------	9 -------- HS District Wrestling Tournament @ SG (TBD)	10 --------
11	12 Lincoln's B-Day	13	14 Valentines Day Ash Wednesday HS Girls BB @ DeSoto 5:30pm	15 HS Girls BB vs. Festus 6pm ---------- HS State Wrestling Tournament @ Columbia (TBD) ----------	16 HS Boys BB vs. Festus 5pm (Sr Night) MS Valentine Dance 5-8pm	17
18	19 Presidents' Day NO SCHOOL HS Girls BB vs. Perryville 6pm (Sr Night)	20 Board of Ed Mtg 7pm	21 HS Girls BB @ Sikeston 6pm	22 HS Boys BB @ Perryville 5pm	23	24 HS Boys & Girls BB District Tournament @ Dexter (TBD)
25	26 ---------- HS Boys & Girls BB District Tournament	27 @ Dexter (TBD) --------	28			

If you are interested in receiving links to live broadcasts, like us on facebook at SGHS Sports Broadcasting.

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MARCH 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 HS Boys and Girls BB District Tournament @ Dexter (TBD)	**2** Jellybeans Festival @ PAC 9:30am Jellybeans Parent Performance @ PAC (TBD)	**3** HS Band District Solo & Ensemble @ Festus (TBD)
4	**5** PreSchool Screenings & Kindergarten Registration: ing or Kindergarten registration. SGE 573 883-4500 in April. See the yellow note box below on the right	**6**	**7** Call between March 5th and April 6th to set up your ext 3. BLE 573-883-4500 ext 4. Screenings and registrations will take place for the dates of these events.	**8**	**9** 3rd Quarter Ends child's PreSchool screen-	**10**
11 Daylight Saving	**12**	**13** MAAA Spring Choral Festival Central Field House (TBD)	**14**	**15**	**16** HS District Speech & Debate @ PAC & SGHS 1pm MS Movie Night 5-8pm	**17** St. Patrick's Day HS District Speech & Debate @ PAC & SGHS 8am
18	**19**	**20** Vernal equinox Board of Ed Mtg 7pm	**21**	**22**	**23**	**24**
25	**26**	**27**	**28** Easter Break Begins 3pm	**29** NO SCHOOL	**30** Good Friday NO SCHOOL	**31** Passover

Possible Make-Up Days

Monday, May 14	Monday, May 21
Tuesday, May 15	Tuesday, May 22
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Friday, May 18	Friday, May 25

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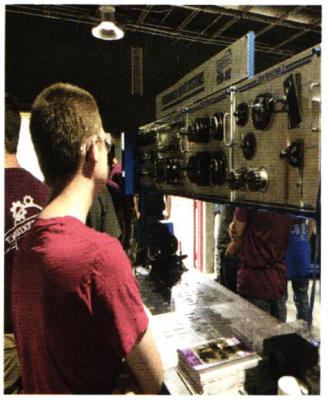
PreSchool Screenings & Kindergarten Registration Dates

Ste. Genevieve Elem: Saturday, April 7, 2018

Bloomsdale Elem: Saturday, April 14, 2018

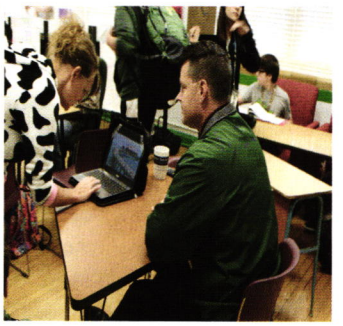


SGHS Partners with Local Businesses

"Working together to create success at Ste. Genevieve R-II and beyond" is the motto of the Ste. Genevieve R-II School District. Staying true to that motto, Ste. Genevieve High School has designed a new course for high school seniors. This course assists students in their transition from high school to post-secondary school or work. Students taking this class are provided opportunities in the community to acquire and refine essential workplace skills such as: effective written and oral communication, listening skills, dress code, self- management skills, professional interactions with others and group cooperation. Students will also learn about application completion, resume building and interview skills.

To date, local businesses that have partnered with SGHS include: Ste. Genevieve County Sheriff's Office, Ste. Genevieve County Memorial Hospital, Ste. Genevieve High School, Ste. Genevieve County Community Center, Head Start and McDonald's. The district has recently applied for a grant in hopes to secure a van to provide transportation for the community integration portion of the course. Students and supervisors are currently utilizing the local SMTS service, which has been a wonderful opportunity for the students to learn about and how to use public transportation. The class also offers opportunities for tours to college/trade schools and local businesses. Students have learned about available jobs as well as entrepreneurship possibilities. A variety of opportunities such as making homemade sugar scrubs and selling Dragon spirit-wear t-shirts offer students a hands-on approach to career discovery.

For more information about the class or how to enter into a partnership, please contact Jami Drury, SGHS and SGMS Process Coordinator, at 573-883-4500 ext. 2131 or jdrury@sgdragons.org.



SGMS Principal for a Day Fundraiser

It is certainly not rare for students to have their building principals pop in to classes, nor is it strange to see the kids visiting with their principals in the halls. At Ste. Genevieve Middle School, these common, every day events were a little out of the ordinary on Tuesday, November 21, 2017. Dr. Paul Taylor, SGMS Principal, switched roles with Christian Keifer, 8th grade student.

The "Principal for a Day" fundraiser raises funds for a scholarship that will be given to a SGHS Senior Mentor. The Buddy and Mentor programs at Ste. Genevieve R-II School District allow upper classmen to take on leadership and guidance roles to help incoming 6th and 9th grade students. Both of these amazing programs make the transition to middle and high school much smoother for our new students. This fundraiser brought in over $700.

"I think the best part of his (Dr. Taylor's) job is going to the different classes and watching the different teachers" stated Principal Kiefer. He faced many challenges throughout the day including a meeting with Mr. Chris Hoehne, SGHS Principal. "Meeting Mr. Hoehne was scary at first. But, after a while, I got more comfortable." Principal Kiefer also handled a cell phone violation which turned out to be SGMS student for a day, Dr. Taylor. The day was a tremendous success for all. Christian and Dr. Taylor indicated that they thoroughly enjoyed their switched roles and experiences.

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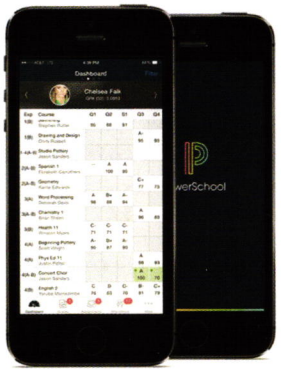

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- The app will ask for the district code. The SG R-II code is **GZBX.**