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THE ONLINE NEWSLETTER FOR GUNTER ISD

## General Information

GISD Website: https://www.gunterisd.org

## Elementary School

Buses Drop Off: 7:05-7:10 AM
Car Line Time Frame: 7:10-7:40 AM
Tardy Bell: 7:45 AM
Bus Departure: 3:15 PM
Car Line Begins: 3:15 PM
Building Closes to Public: 4:00 PM

## Middle School

Arrival Time Frame: 7:45-8:00 AM
Tardy Bell: 8:10
School Day Ends: 3:45 PM

## High School

Arrival Time Frame: 7:45-8:00 AM
Tardy Bell: 8:10
School Day Ends: 3:45 PM

## 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 (Irogers@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) GMS/GHS - Nikki Thomas (nthomas@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 <br> =MINDERS

## WELCOME BACK!

- January 3rd - Professional Development | Staff \& Faculty Return to Work
- January 4th - Students Return to School
- January 11th - Middle School Yearbook Pictures Make-up Day
- January 17th - SCHOOL HOLIDAY (MLK DAY)
- January 20th - School Board Meeting - 6 PM

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## HIAPPY NEYY YEAR



Great opportunity for students to obtain their volunteer hours!


## Thank You!



Thank you to the GES PTO, GMS PTO, Kathleen McClure and all of the parents and local businesses for donating so many gifts/gift cards for our staff at all three campuses. As a countdown to the holidays, a name was drawn each day at each campus to win a prize or gift card. The generosity of the gifts was unbelievable! The staff/faculty appreciate it very much, as it added so much fun to each day.

We have AWESOME parents in our district!


Thank you to the PTOs on each campus for spoiling the staff and faculty with a delicious lunch and goodies during December!

(Left) Gunter High School Student Council collected socks during October... aka... "Socktober". The students took the socks to Grand Central Station in Sherman in December. They received a tour of the shelter that offers food and service to the homeless in Grayson County.
Thank you to everyone who donated!
(Right) Donations collected for the Crisis Center at Gunter High School. Thank you to all who donated!


Thank you to everyone who donated items to the various campaigns our campuses held during December.

Teaching our students to give to others is priceless!

## Gunter ISD Having Fun before the Holidays

CANDY CANE DAY|REINDEER GAMES |CHAMPION DAY|POLAR EXPRESS PJ DAY CHARACTER DAY | UGLY OR BLINGY CHRISTMAS SWEATERS |ELF (NOT) ON A SHELF \| SANTA VISITS | CAROLING

With so many activities happening during the month of December, it's hard to capture them all... but here is a small collection of the fun that was had!


## Gunter Elementary School SNEAK PEEK



There is nothing more exciting than a SNOWSTORM, and since we don't see them very often, Mrs. Needum created one inside her 1st grade classroom!


4th grade got into the spirit by drumming to Trepak from the Nutcracker.


Our GES students had the opportunity to learn a new sport (Lacrosse) during their PE class. Special thanks to Mrs. Genthner's husband and his fellow coaches for their help. The students had a great time, and Mrs. Genthner and Mrs. Smith even joined in the fun!


Mrs. Ulch's kindergarten class visited the Gunter Library and Museum to enjoy some reading and crafts!


Mrs. Cooke's STEM students used their skills to build cup towers. We love to see our students using Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math skills in the classroom.


## TEXOMA CHEVY GOLDEN APPLE AWARD

GES celebrated one of our amazing teachers as she received the Golden Apple Award from Texoma Chevy Dealers Association and KTEN News. We are so proud of you, Mrs. Genthner!


Students of the Mouth
Congratulations to these students for their hard work and "Tiger" attitude!


Kindergarten - Owen and Myles Dorcey
1st Grade - Maddox Cowers
2nd Grade - Quin Coglietti
Ord Grade - Nash Jones
4th Grade - Mason Cowers


We are so proud of our GES students who competed in Academic UIL in Blue Ridge. We had multiple individual and team medals and awards. The entire team placed second overall at the competition! Way to go Tigers! You make us proud.

Students of the Mouth

5th Grade Student - Brooklyn Wilcocks
Activities: Being a $5^{\text {th }}$ Grader Favorite Subject: Social Studies Hobby: Drawing, Reading Favorite Musician: Laura Story Future Ambition: Fashion Designer Superhero: Wonder Woman

7th Grade Student - Haley Hoe
Activities: Volleyball, Basketball, Band, FFA
Favorite Subject: Science Hobby: Drawing, Reading Favorite Musician: Blake Shelton Future Ambition: Attend Texas Tech Superhero: Captain Marvel



6th Grade Student - Emersyn Lytle
Activities: FFA, Choir
Favorite Subject: English
Hobby: Video Games, Read
Favorite Musician: Loves Musicals like Hamilton
Future Ambition: Marine Biologist
Superhero: Scarlet Witch

8th Grade Student - Presley Pace
Activities: Band, Volleyball
Favorite Subject: Art
Hobby: Band and Art
Favorite Musician: Mother Mother Future Ambition: Major in Music (Band) Superhero: Black Widow


## $5 T H$ \& 6TH GRADE <br> 

## Saturday, January 29

 7-9 PM

Refreshments will be served


## GMS Cafeteria \$10 per person



7TH \& 8TH GRADE Valentine's Day Dance Saturday, February 12 7-9:30 PM

## GMS Cafeteria

\$10 per person
Refreshments will be served

The 5th graders joined forces with Santa to solve the Case of the Peckless Peindeer. A crime was committed in Santa's toy factory and he counted on the 5th graders sleuthing skills to help figure out who the culprit was. All nine reindeer were suspects, and the students had to create a profile on each one using the evidence exhibits. Using all of their skills learned from Mrs.Schroeter (head elf), they were able to provide Santa with the naughty reindeer.

Classroom Sneak Peek

December is a busy month for extra-curriculars at Gunter High School, but the teachers are still holding students accountable for classroom work. Take a look!


## Robotics Class

This year's Robotics class has a couple new toys that is making the class more "hands on" and fun! This year they have what Mrs. Foster calls the 'Micah Table' (named after a past graduate). This is a small table she and her husband built this past summer that sits on top of her classroom work area. The inner walls can be moved around to create different mazes and challenges. Students build and program a VEX robot to meet the challenges given by Mrs. Foster. This introduces them to all the sensors, manipulators, programming and other structures for robots. Once all of the little individual challenges have been met, the class will move onto the VEX Robotics Arena (also built by Mrs. Foster and her husband) located in the Robotics portable. It is much larger, and therefore too big to be in the classroom and impossible to repeatedly be taken down and put back up. Using the arena, students are given multiple challenges that their robot must achieve. In addition to using VEX parts, the students have an option of designing small parts and printing them in 3D, but most of the robot is made from the VEX equipment.
The class is divided into teams and each team works on their robot. Recently the teams had to design a robot that had a bumper switch. When the switch gets activated the robot has to turn and move until activated again. The robot was to go from start to finish without running into a wall (unless it was to activate the bumper switch). Mrs. Foster said, "It was fun watching the students get anxious about their robot getting close to the wall and running into it. You could hear the students immediately start talking about what needed to be changed in the code. When the robot finally went from start to finish properly, there was a collective



High school ceramic students created mugs earlier in the semester and they got to use their mugs to drink hot chocolate and watch a Christmas movie during class. How fun!


## ATOMIC THEORY

Mr. Moore's chemistry class researched and created timelines of the Atomic Theory, which included scientist and models of their versions of the atom. They each had a set of criteria to include in the final poster. Once they were turned in, each class judged another class on the top 3 posters and here they are, ranked from 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. The students worked hard on these, and we wanted to give them a shout out!


## Dont forget!

JUNIOR/SENIOR PROM Final Payment is Coming Due!

Deadline for Full Payment 2/28/2022

> Please click here to submit prom info and purchase tickets.

# What's Happening in 

## WOOL TEAM

The wool team traveled to Angelo State University to compete for the very first time They placed 14th out of 48 teams... we can't wait to see how they progress if they can place that high on the first try!




## Breeding Rabbits

The December Rabbit Clinic was held in Mrs. Osburn's Ag room. Special Guest, Cindy Hinton, a local breeder has become a great resource for the Gunter FFA Rabbit Team. She shared some trade secrets and showmanship pointers. We are expecting a great show season with 15 breed rabbits and 11 meat pens of 4 that will be showing at County this year.


Evergreen Wreaths Students created evergreen wreaths in Horticulture 1, and they were simply gorgeous. Not only did they learn to create the wreath, they learned that the supplies are easily found in nature! Special thanks to Denise Willard for letting Mrs. Osburn trim some trees from her pastures for their project.


Junior FFA had a Christmas party where they played the white elephant game with gift cards brought by each student. They also decorated Christmas cookies. Everyone had a lot of fun!

## thigh School

All Region
Seated left to right: Zachary Kennedy (percussion), Paige Daniel (trombone)
Standing left to right: Hayden Rizzo (euphonium), Dylan Marsh (trombone), Gray McDowell (alto saxophone), Samantha Neufeld (clarinet), Maddox Wagoner (bass clarinet), Jake Schafer (percussion), Christi Grayard (trumpet; first alternate), Katelynn Smith (bass clarinet)

## Area Qualifiers

Left to right: Samantha Neufeld (clarinet), Gray McDowell (alto saxophone), Maddox Wagoner (bass clarinet), Dylan Marsh (trombone), Hayden Rizzo (euphonium), Katelynn Smith (bass clarinet)


17 Gunter Tiger Band students participated in the AllRegion process. They auditioned amongst hundreds of students across the region from classifications 1A-4A with implications of advancing to the Area \& State level. If a student ranks high enough within 3A classification, they qualify for Area. Their placements are listed below.
*Symphonic Band is the top ensemble
*Concert Band is the second ensemble

Congratulations to the following students!
Hayden Rizzo - 2nd Chair Symphonic, advanced to Area Katelynn Smith - 2nd Chair Concert, advanced to Area Maddox Waggoner - Advanced to Area
Samantha Neufeld - 1st Chair Concert, advanced to Area Christi Grayard - 1st Alternate
Zach Kennedy - 3rd Chair Concert
Jake Schafer - 6th Chair Concert
Gray McDowell - 4th Chair Concert, advanced to Area
Dylan Marsh - 8th Chair Symphonic, advanced to Area
Paige Daniel - 8th Chair Concert
*The Area students will audition in Argyle on January 8th

## Middle School Band

Congratulations to the following middle school students who participated in All-Region Band. Here are their incredible results!
** Symphonic Band=1st band; Concert Band=2nd band

Flute—Jentry Backschies-9—MS Symphonic Band Bb Clarinet—Caleb Siler—4—MS Symphonic Band Bb Clarinet—Justin Grayard-6-MS Concert Band Bb Clarinet—Tucker O'Daniel—9—MS Concert Band Alto Saxophone—Erick Fraire—1—MS Symphonic Band Alto Saxophone-Hudson Kelly—1-MS Concert Band Tenor Saxophone—Tyler Woods—1—MS Symphonic Band Cornet/Trumpet—Braxton White—2—MS Symphonic Band Cornet/Trumpet-Mia Smith—5—MS Concert Band Cornet/Trumpet—Brooklynn Neufeld—6—MS Concert Band Cornet/Trumpet—Tony Castro—1st Alternate F Horn-Samuel Waggoner-5—MS Concert Band Euphonium—Sarah Smith—5-MS Concert Band Tuba—Presley Pace—1—MS Symphonic Band Tuba—Kail Richey—6—MS Symphonic Band


Standing/kneeling left to right: Presley Pace (tuba), Samuel Wagoner (French horn), Braxton White (trumpet), Sarah Smith (euphonium), Brooklynn Neufeld (trumpet), Mia Smith (trumpet), Kail Richey (tuba) Seated left to right: Jentry Backschies (flute), Justin Grayard (clarinet), Tucker O'Daniel (clarinet), Caleb Siler (clarinet), Erick Fraire (alto saxophone), Tyler Woods (tenor saxophone), Hudson Kelly (alto saxophone)

## Gunter Middle \& High School BAND DEPARTMEN

The Winter Band Concert was nothing short of phenomenal! We heard drum beats from the 4th grade Drum Club, and Holiday music from the MS and HS Bands. The Grinch made a special appearance at the end of the concert while the band played his special song... and we saw (with our very own eyes), his heart grow 3 sizes!

Thank you for packing the commons and being such a wonderful audience for our Tiger musicians!

"Without any presents at all, he hadn't stopped Christmas from coming! It came! Somehow or other, it came just the same!" ~ Narrator, How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Gunter Middle \& High School ,

Choirs from each campus serenaded the audience beautifully during the Christmas Choir Concert. The voices (and piano solo) from our Gunter Tigers helped to put the holiday spirit into each person who attended! Thank you to everyone who packed the commons for the concert and to those who purchased Poinsettias from the choir students.


## Lady Tiger

Follow our Tiger teams on Facebook for the latest and greatest updates to their schedules!
@GunterLadyTigerBasketball @GunterTigerBasketball


Girls December Scoreboard:
Girls Varsity Basketball:

| $12 / 4$ vs Dodd City | $38-26$ | WIN |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $12 / 4$ vs Ford | $65-15$ | WIN |
| $12 / 9$ vs John Paul II | $35-58$ | LOSS |
| $12 / 10$ vs Celina | $74-28$ | WIN |
| $12 / 11$ vs Lubbock Christian | $47-41$ | WIN |
| $12 / 11$ vs Chisholm Trail | $53-34$ | WIN |
| $12 / 14$ vs Blue Ridge | $58-21$ | WIN |
| $12 / 17$ vs Bells | $43-29$ | WIN |
| $12 / 21$ vs Bonham | $66-18$ | WIN |
| $12 / 28$ vs Sunnyvale | $45-50$ | LOSS |

12/30 Whataburger Invitational

- Consolation Bracket Champions

Girls JV Basketball:
12/6 vs Van Alstyne WIN
Middle School Basketball 12/6 vs Whitewright

- 8th Grade WIN
- 7th Grade LOSS

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Boys December Scoreboard:
Boys Varsity Basketball:

| $12 / 2$ vs Collinsville | $72-33$ | WIN |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $12 / 3$ vs Ector | $52-38$ | WIN |
| $12 / 3$ vs S\&S | $42-28$ | WIN |
| $12 / 4$ vs Ponder | $42-66$ | LOSS |
| $12 / 7$ vs Tom Bean | $62-56$ | WIN |
| $12 / 9$ vs Boyd | $69-46$ | WIN |
| $12 / 10$ vs Era | $44-36$ | WIN |
| $12 / 11$ vs Collinsville | $54-38$ | WIN |
| $12 / 14$ vs Collinsville | $51-27$ | WIN |
| $12 / 17$ VS Era | $68-39$ | WIN |
| $12 / 18$ vs Era | $68-39$ | WIN |
| $12 / 21$ vs Bonham | $53-32$ | WIN |
| $12 / 27$ vs lowa Park | $45-44$ | WIN |
| $12 / 27$ vs Abilene Wylie | $57-51$ | WIN |
| $12 / 28$ vs Anson | $43-36$ | LOSS |
| $12 / 28$ vs Sweetwater | $47-59$ | LOSS |

JV Boys Basketball
12/10 vs Melissa
54-50 WIN
12/18 vs Era 52-15 WIN
$12 / 21$ vs Bonham 37-25 WIN



|  | 2021/2022 Wrestling Meet Schedule |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Date | Location | Time |
|  | 18-Dec | Wylie High School | 9:00 AM |
|  | 6-Jan | McKinney North HS | 6:00 PM |
|  | 8-Jan | Gunter High School | 10:00 AM |
|  | 13-Jan | Anna High School | 6:00 PM |
|  | 15-Jan | Anna High School | TBD |
|  | 19-Jan | Lovejoy | 6:00 PM |
|  | 21/22-Jan | Arlington Bowie HS | All Day |
|  | 28-Jan | JV District-McKinney N. | TBD |
|  | 2/3-Feb | $\checkmark$ District-Wylie East | TBD |
|  | 11/12-Feb | Regional Meet-Anna |  |
|  | 18/19-Feb | State Meet-Cypress TX |  |



Upcoming Tournaments 2/5/2022 - Lake Tawakoni 3/19/2022 - Ray Roberts
4/9/2022 - Texoma (Regionals)
Lewisville Tournament - 6th Place with 8 fish and a total of 18.7 Pounds
After the Lewisville Tournament, the Gunter Tiger Bass Fishing Team is ranked \#2 @ 290 points in North Texas.
(Only 8 points behind the leaders (Lovejoy) with 298 points.) There are 54 schools competing in the North Texas Division.

## Ranking (out of 211 Teams)

Place
Team
8 Logan Hill \& Laker Lee
11 Brodee Parker \& Reid Brackeen
24 Hayden Standerfer \& Garrin Goetz
30 Trevor Wright \& Kane Bolt
34 Caseyn Ploch \& John Gage
50 Antonio Latham \& Robert Hanes, Jr.
65 Colson Wood \& Nate Kriechbaum
95 Jacob Hales \& Jake Schafer
100 Nathan Nelson \& Lane Dophied
115 Joe Rathbone \& Jake Rathbone
135 Austin Trevino \& Ryan Cassidy

Points



All year long, they cheer for the other teams... But now it's time for the cheerleaders to head to competition.

## Competition is set for January 13th

Let's get ready to cheer them on!


Although their season is over, Lady Tiger Volleyball continues to receive awards!

Congratulations to our GTVB girls who earned statewide honors from TGCA!

There are 24 total players among 1A-4A schools chosen to compete in the All Star match in July. What an honor!

- Hanna Rubis - TGCA 1A-4A All Star Team
- Miranda Putnicki - TGCA 1A-4A All Star Team Alternate

Congratulations to our GTVB girls who earned statewide honors from TGCA! These girls were among 50 players chosen in the state to the TGCA 3AAll State team!

- Rayanna Mauldin
*2nd Year in a Row
- Shae Pruiett
- Miranda Putnicki




## Gunter Independent School District Board Briefs

Monday, December 13, 2021

## GISD F.I.R.S.T. HEARING 6:00pm

Public Hearing to discuss the 2020-2021 Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas "FIRST" was called to order by Scott Meyerdirk, Board President. A quorum was established.

Mr. Martindale presented the FIRST Report. Gunter ISD received a score of 92/100 on the Financial Integrity Rating Report. The score earned a Superior Achievement rating.

The Hearing adjourned at 6:13pm

GISD Regular Board Meeting 6:15pm
The Regular meeting was called to order by Scott Meyerdirk, Board President. A quorum was established.

Pledge of Allegiance was conducted by Scott Meyerdirk, Board President

ATTENDANCE: Board members: Shelli Hales, Dr. Gary Harris, Gabe Johnson, John Jonas, Scott Meyerdirk, Jason Padgett and Lynn Reed; District attendance included: Mr. Scott Martindale, Caleb Bell, Melissa Kelly and Brittany Floyd

## SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- A full Financial Report was provided
- Communications -
- Enrollment Update
- Elementary School 417
- Middle School 344
- High School 357
- TOTAL 1118
- Upcoming Events / Meeting Dates were shared with Board
- Board Member Report
- May 7, 2022 Board Election Calendar was shared


## CONSENT AGENDA/ROUTINE BUSINESS:

November 2021 Minutes, November Bills, DEC (LOCAL) Policy Revision, TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 118 were all approved

## REGULAR BUSINES

- The Board approved the Order Calling Bonds for Redemption and Other Matters Relating to Gunter Independent School District Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2012.
- The Board approved the Minor Boundary Adjustment Joint Resolution Agreement.

No Closed Session

ADJOURNMENT: Regular meeting was adjourned at approximately $6: 27 \mathrm{pm}$


