



Upcoming Events

March 30

School Open
Student Attendance Day

April 2-6

Spring Recess
No School for Students

April 9

BOE Business Meeting
6:00 pm MS/HS Auditorium

April 27

High School Play
7:00 pm MS/HS Auditorium

April 28

High School Play
7:00 pm MS/HS Auditorium

April 29

High School Play
2:00 pm MS/HS Auditorium

May 1

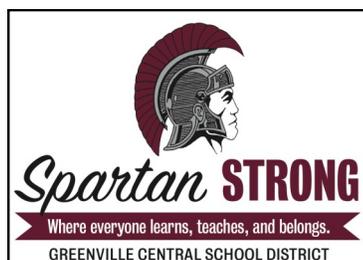
Annual Budget Hearing
7:00 pm MS/HS Auditorium

Parent Forum on School Safety

On Tuesday, March 6, 2018, a parent forum on school safety was held in the MS/HS Library. Representatives from the District as well as the New York State Police and the Greene County Sheriff's Department were part of the panel. Mike Needham from Needham Risk Management was the facilitator of the forum.

The purpose of the forum, which was well attended, was to inform parents about the procedures and mechanisms already utilized by the Greenville School District to ensure the safety of our students. Parents had an opportunity to discuss their safety concerns. It was a great opportunity to reiterate the importance of the basic safety procedures followed by the District. These include: the importance of keeping all doors locked at all times, single point of entry for our buildings, visitor sign in procedure through the main entrances, and staff and visitors wearing identification badges.

The District is committed to the safety of our children and has begun to follow up where needed so that gaps in security are addressed. Safety issues and concerns are reviewed on an ongoing basis through both building level and district level committees. Corrective action is taken as deemed necessary. We would like to thank all who attended for their support.



GCS National Junior Honor Society Induction



On Tuesday, February 27, 2018, twenty-three new members were inducted into the Greenville Middle School Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society. In order to be nominated, new inductees must have demonstrated the qualities of citizenship, character, service and leadership in conjunction with excellence in scholarship. This year's inductees demonstrated a wide range of interests in serving their school and community through such affiliations as FFA, Scouting, local fire and rescue services, church

youth groups as well as many community service organizations. In addition, the inductees participate in a wide variety of clubs, athletics, cultural arts, mentoring and student government opportunities at GCS.



The student centered ceremony was conducted by the current members of the National Junior Honor Society with assistance from GCS National Honor Society members Aidan O'Connor, Shelby Doran, Madison Bell, Dylan Licata, Bergen Criswell and Garrett DeLong. Alice Brennan, a member of the GCS Class of 2018 and the GCS HS NHS Chapter was the guest speaker, sharing her thoughts on the five pillars of NJHS. New members Olivia Ruso, Benjamin Reinhard and Michael Carey shared their essays on the meaning of "Citizenship". Following the ceremony inductees were joined by family and friends for a dessert reception.

<i>Ryan Arp</i>	<i>Thomas Baumann</i>	<i>Carmela Bucci</i>
<i>Emma Cardamone</i>	<i>Ava Carey</i>	<i>Michael Carey</i>
<i>Ella Cotter</i>	<i>Brady Grupe</i>	<i>Ciara Guinan</i>
<i>Christopher Hubicki</i>	<i>Micah Hubicki</i>	<i>Nuala Kappel</i>
<i>Finn Kosich</i>	<i>Jessica LaManda</i>	<i>Victoria Maile</i>
<i>Benjamin Reinhard</i>	<i>Olivia Ruso</i>	<i>Julia Slater</i>
<i>Kevin Smith III</i>	<i>Ellis Snyder</i>	<i>Nicholas Trostle</i>
<i>Samuel VanAuken</i>	<i>Samuel Rhoads-Goodman</i>	

Congratulations to the 2017/2018 National Junior Honor Society Inductees.

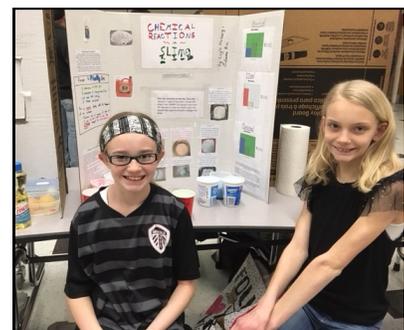
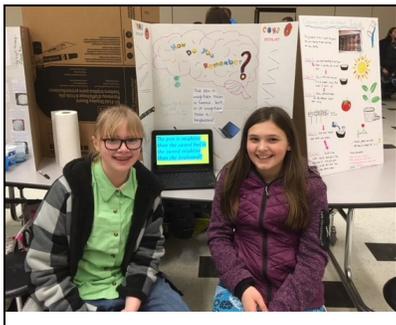
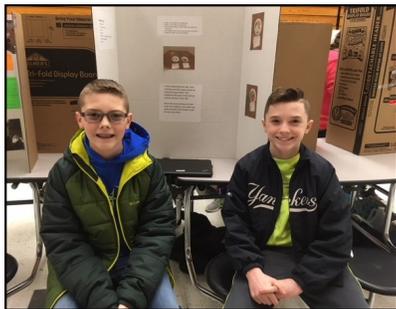
The following NJHS members participated in planning and presenting this year's ceremony.

<i>Sydney Ahrberg</i>	<i>Katriana Corbett</i>	<i>Evan Cotter</i>
<i>Daisy Dudley</i>	<i>Aurora Gandolfo</i>	<i>Emma Haller</i>
<i>Mackenzie Heath</i>	<i>Celina Miller</i>	<i>John Motta</i>
<i>Angelina Rini</i>	<i>Emma Schatzel</i>	<i>Taryn Silk</i>
<i>Garrett Smith</i>	<i>Madeleine Stewart</i>	<i>Troy Wank</i>
<i>Marissa Wilber</i>		



Middle School Science Expo by James Hutchins and Anne Marie Conroy-Robinson

6th Grade



On the evening of Wednesday, March 14th, middle school students displayed the results of their science projects during the Greenville Middle School Science Expo.

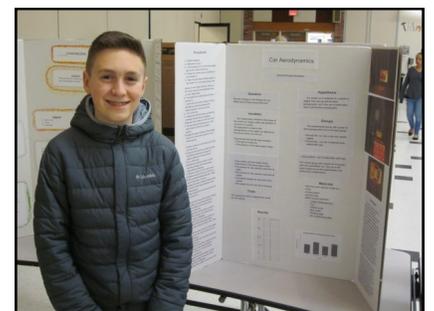
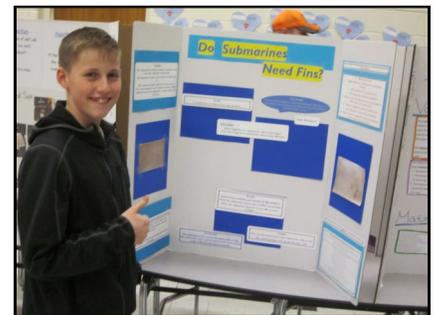
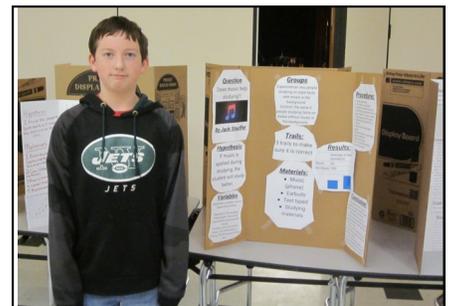
In over 75 different individual and group projects, 6th and 7th graders demonstrated their understanding of the scientific process including formulating a hypothesis, designing an experiment with independent and dependent variables, and sharing their results in data tables and graphs. Projects explored questions ranging from the best way to make slime, to comparing a Tesla Radiant Energy Collector and a Photovoltaic Solar panel, to the best way to melt ice, to the effects of caffeine.

Parents, families and Greenville staff were able to share in the enthusiasm and learning of our student-scientists as they viewed the different displays and talked with students about their experiments.

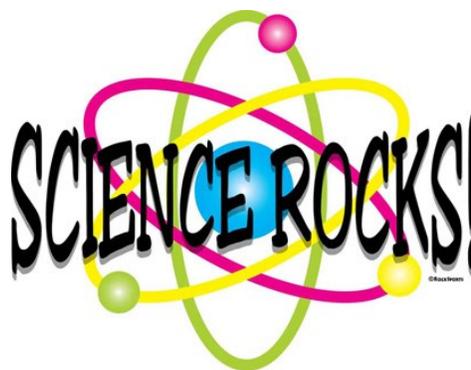
The 6th and 7th grade science teachers, Mrs. Conroy-Robinson and Mr. Hutchins are proud of their students' great work and demonstration of their understanding of experimental science.

Thanks to all those who showed their support to our student-scientists!

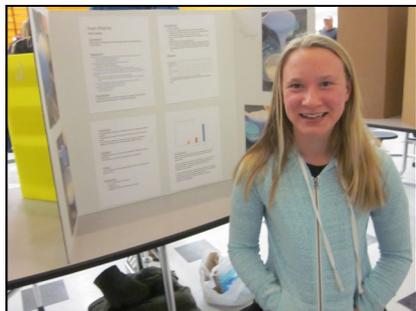
7th Grade



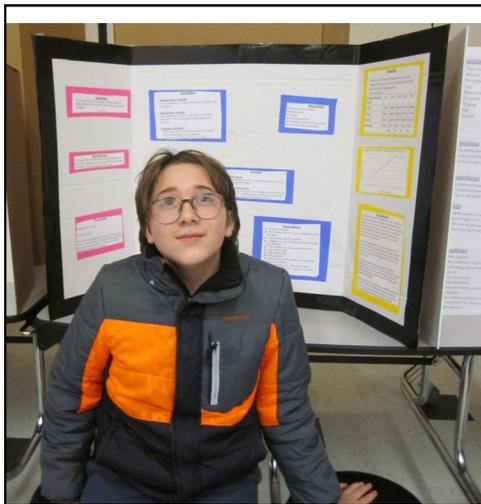
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Middle School Science Expo - continued



7th Grade



Trip to Barnes & Noble by Susan Hollywood

Some of Mrs. Hollywood's eighth grade students attended a field trip to Barnes & Noble in Kingston to learn about the basics of running a business as well as carefully purchasing books for the class library. The educational part of the trip was followed up by a delicious lunch at Five Guys restaurant.



Greenville Odyssey of the Mind by Brian Reeve

Congratulations to the team of Ryan Arp, Ella Cotter, Micah Hubicki, Ben Reinhard, Sam Rhoads-Goodman, Olivia Ruso, Nick Trostle and their Coach Kelly Hubicki, who took first place at Odyssey of the Mind competition on March 10th. The students competed at Rensselaer High School against schools from Rensselaer, Greene, and Columbia Counties. All teams were given a problem, and they had to present their solution to a panel of judges at the competition. They also had to participate in a spontaneous component in which they had 5-7 minutes to come up with answers to a problem. The team will now compete at the state level competition in Binghamton on April 7. Good luck team! Be Spartan STRONG!



Middle School PTSA Quiz Night by Brian Reeve

Greenville Middle School held its eleventh Annual Quiz Night on Friday, March 16, 2018. The event, graciously sponsored by our PTSA, was filled with food and fun. This year seventeen teams of middle school students competed for the top three prizes. For four rounds, students were asked a variety of academic and pop culture questions by Mrs. Moylan, the emcee for the evening. Mrs. Moylan was assisted by Mrs. Kudlack, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Hollywood. Between rounds, the PTSA provided students and families with nachos, sodas, and ice cream sundaes. First place winners were Troy Wank, Jack Motta, and Garrett Smith, second place winners were Madeleine Stewart, Jessica Packard, and Sydney Ahrberg, and third place went to Samuel Rhoads-Goodman, Brady Grupe, and Nick Trostle. The middle school would like to thank the PTSA for hosting this enriching activity each year for the middle school students.



Junior FFA Leadership Development Events 2018 by Rachel Anderson and Sr. FFA Reporter Emily Duncan

The Greenville FFA has had a busy and competitive winter! On March 10th FFA members competed in District-Level leadership contests at Stissing Mountain High School in Pine Plains, NY. Students competed in various public speaking contests and career preparation contests such as prepared speeches, reciting the FFA creed, extemporaneous speaking, parliamentary procedure, people in agriculture, and employment interview. All of Greenville's FFA members worked hard and excelled at their contests.



Students who placed 6th or higher in their district-level contest competed at the Sub-State leadership contests at Cobleskill-Richmondville High School on Saturday, March 17th. Students placing in the top two positions at the Sub-State level advance to the state finals in May.

Congratulations to other Leadership Contest Participants: Justin Case, Aurora Gandolfo, Shea Landversicht, Isabelle Quintana and Mackenzie Smith.

FFA District Leadership Contest Results

Creed Speaking

Junior
 1st Madeline Feltman
 2nd Courtney Taibi
 3rd Mackenzie Heath
 4th Keira Baitsholts
 5th Katriana Corbett
 6th Gia Quintana

Extemporaneous Speaking

Junior
 1st Jordan Landversicht
 2nd Mackenzie Heath
 4th Eric Heath
 5th Hannah Case
 6th Melody Sprague

Prepared Public Speaking

Junior
 1st Marisa Wilbur
 3rd Nuala Kappel
 5th Patrick Kennedy

Parliamentary Procedure

1st Place (Team Blue)
 Hailey Mason
 Hailey Sarsfield
 Valerie Lewis
 Tristan Mason
 Emily Duncan
 Madeline Feltman

Senior

1st Carley Estep
 2nd Hailey Sarsfield

Senior

2nd Valerie Lewis
 4th Hailey Mason

2nd Place (Team Gold)

Olivia Gorneau
 Carley Estep
 Emily Connolly
 Brooke O'Keefe
 Aaron Smith
 Alyssa Scarlata

FFA Sub-State Leadership Contest Results

Creed Speaking

Junior
 1st Madeline Feltman
 2nd Courtney Taibi
 3rd Mackenzie Heath
 4th Keira Baitsholts

Extemporaneous Speaking

Junior
 1st Mackenzie Heath

Senior
 4th Carley Estep

Prepared Public Speaking

Junior
 2nd Nuala Kappel
 4th Marisa Wilbur

Senior
 2nd Valerie Lewis
 3rd Hailey Mason

Parliamentary Procedure

1st Place (Team)
 Emily Duncan
 Madeline Feltman
 Valerie Lewis
 Hailey Mason
 Tristan Mason
 Hailey Sarsfield

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FFA Sub-State Contest Winners

Ethan Keller,
the NY FFA
State
President
presented the
awards



Madeline Feltman



Courtney Taibi



Hailey Mason ,Emily Duncan ,Tristan Mason, Madeline Feltman, Hailey Sarsfield and Valerie Lewis



Mackenzie Heath



Valerie Lewis



Hailey Mason

Scott M. Ellis Jump Rope for Heart by Pam Asam

On February 16, 2018, Scott M. Ellis hosted its annual Jump Rope for Heart. Coach Kiefer has been the driving force behind this event for the 22 years it has been held. She is aided by Coaches Bruce and Haller. The three of them make it look easy! Also on hand are a magnificent group of volunteers. The volunteers are generally a myriad of family members including: parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and siblings. We would like to thank everyone for all that they do help make this worthwhile event so successful each year.

This event generates a great deal of interest among our 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students. Over two-hundred and forty students participated in this year's event making this our largest group to date.

The purpose of Jump Rope for Heart is to raise awareness for heart disease and raise funds for the American Heart Association. The total amount of money raised at this year's event was \$22,303. The 3rd grade classes raised the most at \$9,281. Mr. Kiefer's class raised the most individually with a whopping \$3,543. The grand total amount of money raised over the 22 years is an amazing \$243,156. Coach Kiefer is to be commended for her dedication to this event. Student participants, past and present, are to be commended as well.



Dental Program at Ellis

On March 23rd students in Grades 2 and 3 at Ellis attended dental assemblies to learn the importance of visiting the dentist and brushing their teeth.



In April, students will have the opportunity to have sealants applied to their back molars, which will protect those teeth from decay. This program is free and is sponsored by Columbia Memorial Hospital. Permission forms will be going home with students and those who return a completed form will be able to participate in this program. A dental hygienist will set-up the equipment in the Elementary Health Office for this service.

We are hoping that many students will take part in this program to keep their teeth healthy and sparkling! Be on the lookout for the forms coming home shortly!

Any questions or for more information, please call the Health Office at 518 966-5070 Ext 320. We will happy to help!

Elementary Nurses' Ellen Warga, RN & Sally Collins, RN

Top Toothbrushing Tips to share with kids

- **Brush away plaque!** Brush all surfaces of the teeth: top, bottom, front, back, inside and outside. Make sure to brush the tongue, too!
- **Take care of your baby teeth.** They save space for permanent teeth and help them come in straight. Brushing them thoroughly is important!
- **Brush wa-a-ay in the back.** Make sure to reach all of your teeth, including those at the very back. This is where the six-year-molars will come in – your first adult teeth!

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MS/HS Nurses' Corner

Just a few reminders from your nurses:

We hope we are winding down on the flu season. If you have had the flu or a cold here are some tips to keep the germs from remaining in your home or making you a sick duck again:

1. Change out your toothbrush. Germs linger in your brush and can keep making you ill.
2. Clean your bed sheets and pillows when you are feeling better. Most pillows can be thrown in the dryer if they can't be washed.
3. Clean light switches, T.V. remotes, doorknobs, laptops. Clean your cell phone and electronics.
4. If you drive – clean your car steering wheel and buttons.
5. Air your car and home out. Fresh air for you and your home can help a lot.



To stay healthy, you need to take care of yourself .

From your nurses: Nurse Karen Gardiner & Nurse Deb Mackey

Athletic Corner by Denise Wickham

Girls Softball by Brian Haller

The defending two time Section II Class C Champion and State Semi-Finalist (2017) Lady Spartans began practice March 5th.



Boys Baseball by Dane Carpenter



The Boys Varsity Baseball team returns 8 out of 9 starters from last year's team that lost 5-4 in extra innings in Sectional Quarterfinals. The Spartans will be lead by Liam Krasney (1st- team Patroon All-

League), Cole Ackerman (1st-team Patroon All-League) and Milton Edmonds (2nd-team Patroon All-League). Other returning starters are: Mike Leonardo, Seamus Kappel, Dalton Pruiksma, Keenan Mulholland and Ryan McAneny. Top newcomers are: Isaiah Edmonds, Cole Flannery, Kyle Thompson, Morgan Gergen and Bobby Corrigan.

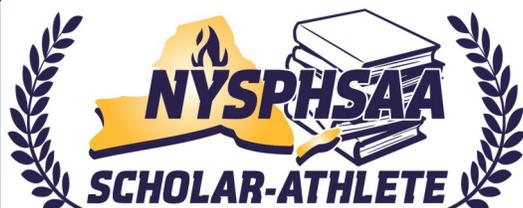
Tennis by Robert Gray

Coming off last years semi-final sectional defeat, the varsity tennis team began practice on March 5th. With the first match of the season scheduled for March 22nd against Catskill, the team hopes to get outside in the very near future to get ready for the upcoming season. Unfortunately, Mother Nature is not cooperating, but the team looks to warmer weather in the coming weeks.



Boys & Girls Track & Field by Jared DeLuca & Pat Cullen

Despite the harsh weather conditions inhibiting our ability to work on our program, we are moving along very well. Long distance has been working hard outside and the sprinters have been putting in some good work inside. All that's left is for the weather to cooperate and we can start working more in depth on field events.

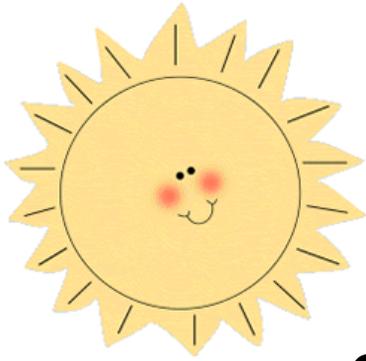


WINTER SCHOLAR ATHLETE TEAMS

Congratulations to the Boys Volleyball, Boys Basketball and Girls Basketball teams for being Scholar Athlete Teams for the Winter 2017-18 season. These varsity teams had 75% of their roster maintain a 90 or better average throughout the season.

Are you following Greenville Athletics?

If you are not doing so already, follow Greenville Athletics on Twitter at... @AthleticsGCSD. The monthly Athletics Corner will also be posted on the Greenville Athletic Webpage.



Caring Kids Yard Sale Fundraiser

SELLERS NEEDED!

The ~~Caring Kids~~ at Scott M Ellis Elementary are hosting a Community Yard Sale on Saturday, April 14, 2018 from 9:00am-2:00pm in the Elementary School Cafeteria!

We are looking for a variety of sellers/crafters to purchase a space at our event. We will advertise the event and have volunteers on hand to help you set-up and pack-up. All proceeds from selling table spots will help fund community service projects and student activities.

Please fill out the form below and return with payment to Vikki Hawkins at Scott M. Ellis Elementary School PO Box 129 Greenville, NY 12083 by April 6, 2018.

Name _____ Phone # _____

Email _____

Type of items you will sell: _____

6'x3' rectangular table (20 available) \$10 for 1, \$15 for 2

of tables needed _____ Total enclosed _____

(Space is limited and tables will distributed on a 1st come, 1st served basis!)

We will take cash or check. Please make checks payable to

GCS with Caring Kids on the Memo line.

All sellers are expected to bring their own wares and take away any items that do not sell.

Any questions, please contact Vikki Hawkins at hawkinsv@greenville.k12.ny.us or 966-5070 x758.