



Garden City Community School Council Newsletter

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STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Student-Led Conferences will be held:

Wed., Nov.5, 3-8PM

Thursday, Nov. 6, 1-6PM

If you have not heard when your conference time is yet, contact your child's teacher immediately.

All students and families are expected to participate, so we want to be sure to find a time that fits your schedule!

Don't forget that the Book Fair will be held during the Student Led Conferences so that students and parents can browse our fabulous selection and help out the school.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Volunteers are needed for the Capitol Phone Campaign to call local business to support our school financially. Each Tuesday through November 18 (with exception of Election Night) we will have pizza, babysitting, training and phones available 1-3pm and 6:30-8:30pm. Bring some friends and have some fun contacting businesses to help raise funds to keep our class sizes small!
- Book Fair – Michelle Rollins will be contacting you if you signed up to help with the Book Fair during Student Led Conferences next week. Contact her at 890-6876, if interested.
- Painting Rebecca's art studio - Call Kirsten Finnigan at 585-4131 if you'd be able to organize the volunteers to get this done!
- PE volunteers are needed to ride the bus and help with the students going to Boys & Girls Club gym now for team sports. 1-2 classes go on Mondays and the 3-4 and 5-8 classes go on Fridays.
- Staff Wall—We need help framing the pictures of the staff and adding their information next to their pictures.
- NOTE: We welcome everyone's volunteer efforts! During classroom instruction time we just ask you to respect the teachers by not bringing younger children for safety and instructional purposes. Field trips, parties, out-of-class projects depend on the type of activity. Thanks!

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	"Milk is offered every day"								
2	3 Hamburger or cheese burger, later tots, green salad	4 Scrambled eggs, sausage links, hash brown patty, fruit, whole wheat roll	5	No School	6	No School	7	No School	8
9	10 Chef salad with ham, turkey and cheese, whole wheat roll, fruit	11 Beef enchilada casserole with beans and cheese, Spanish rice, corn, fruit	12 Turkey and Swiss cheese submarine sandwich, potatoe salad, fruit	13 Cheese quesadilla, refried beans, Spanish rice, mixed vegetables, fruit	14 Meat ball sandwich with marinara sauce on a hoagie, carrot sticks, fruit	15			
16	17 Corn dogs, later tots, garden salad with ranch, cookie	18 Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread sticks, salad, fruit	19 Baked potato bar, with butter, sour cream, cheese, chili, fruit, roll	20 Chicken nuggets with ranch or BBQ, later tots, corn, cookie	21 Pork egg roll, steamed brown rice, peas, string cheese, fruit, cookie	22			
23	24 Tacos with beef taco meat, refried beans, cheese, lettuce, taco sauce, corn	25 Meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, bread & butter, fruit	26 EARLY RELEASE Peanut butter and jelly sandwich, carrot sticks with ranch, string cheese, fruit	27	28	No School	29		
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ONGOING FUNDRAISERS

Campbell's Soup Labels for Education

Continue to save UPC Codes from a variety of Campbell Products. There is a collection bin in the common area (looks like a soup can!) You can get a complete listing of products that have points here:

www.labels4education.com

Box Tops For Education

Save box top points from a variety of products, and sign up at the website for special emails and bonus box top offers. These points can be dropped off in the Campbell's Soup Can in the common area also. For more information:

www.boxtops4education.com

Project KOPEG

Help us to collect unwanted/broken PDA's, iPods, Digital Cameras, Laptops,, Cell Phones, and oh, yeah, Empty Ink Cartridges! There is a collection bucket at the school in the common area. For more information:

www.projectkopeg.com

Albertsons

Shopper can earn money for our school by using their Albertsons Preferred Savings Card. For more information:

www.albertsons.com/cp/

Recycling Program

We now have an account set up at the recycling center up the road on Glenwood between Chinden and Goddard, it is on the West Side of the Road. Anyone can go in and drop off their recycling and donate the funds to GCCS. Just let them know when you drop off that you would like money to be put on the Garden City Community School

Community Council Meeting/Family Potluck

Please join us on November 13th for the Community Council Meeting and a Family Potluck Dinner! Please bring your favorite dish and listen in to what is going on at the school as well as meeting parents and staff. The potluck will be 6:30-8pm and the Community Council will be held during the potluck.

From Your Counselor

The Student-Led Conferences are coming and we are all anticipating and working hard getting ready. The conferences will be a time to see all of the wonderful achievements your student(s) have done over the past nine weeks.

I have had the opportunity to really get to know the school - as well as the students fairly well - and I see great things occurring every day. I am looking forward to seeing the progress and continuing to assist your students.

I will be available on Thursday, November 6th from 1:00 PM - 6:00PM if you need any assistance, have a concern or, would just like to say hello.

If you have any questions, please give me a call at 377-0011 or e-mail -

cyndi.groth-landis@gardencityschool.org

Special Services Coordinator

I will be available during the student led conferences to meet with you, or you can just stop by to say Hi!

You can also call me at any time at 377-0011 or e-mail me at:

valerie.aker@gardencityschool.org

UPDATES

If you have had any changes in family status, guardianship, address, phone number, email or anything else related, please notify Traci in the office immediately so that records can be updated.

traci.hopper@gardencityschool.org

Or 377-0011

School Accounts

Please keep your school account (activity, lunch, all-day kindergarten fees, etc.) up to date and paid to the bookkeeper, Michelle Roth (Before school or after school please)

We do not have extra funding to handle unpaid charges.

We strive to keep the few school charges that do occur very low and below what other schools charge, but we rely on you to make payments so that we can maintain them.

Lost & Found

Please be sure to check the lost and found frequently. There are a lot of clothing and personal items that need to find their way back home

DR SEUSS READERS NEEDED

Dr Seuss "Read Across America" is coming again the first week of March.

Last year we had Mrs. Otter, Mrs. Kempthorn, Larry Gebert, the mayor of Garden City and a Northwest Animal Companions Volunteer.

The reason for having well-known people read the Dr. Seuss books is to have them as role models that will inspire students to read, not only Dr. Seuss books, but to read in general.

For this year some possibilities people could be: Cecil Andrus, Bethine Church, or the Mayor of Boise.

It's important to keep in mind that the readers must have loud reading voices, and be able to engage the listening students.

Please let Tawnia know of anyone who would be interested and she can get them more information.

tawnia.santos@gardencityschool.org

Dropping Off Students Before School

Please remember we do not have any playground adults until 8:30am so it is very unsafe to leave your children earlier. Teachers take their students into the building at 8:40am.

Please also be courteous and safe. Do not block other drivers in and watch for students between cars.

If you know that it will take a few minutes to load or unload kids, or you wish to chat with other parents or staff, please locate a parking spot which will give you more room to move and allow the line to flow.

NOVEMBER IMPORTANT DATES

11/5
No School
Student Led
Conferences

11/6
No School
Student Led
Conferences

11/7
No School
Staff
Professional
Development

11/13
Community Council
Meeting and
Potluck 6:30pm

11/17
Board
Meeting 7pm

11/26
Early Release
1:15pm

11/27
No School
HAPPY
THANKSGIVING

11/28
No School
THANKSGIVING