

Great Falls Public Schools

Tammy's Top Ten on Tuesday

August 29, 2017

Dear Community Member: You are receiving this email as part of the District's ongoing community communication efforts. If you do not wish to receive these emails, there is a place to unsubscribe at the very bottom.

1. **School Calendar:** The first day of school for students is tomorrow, Wednesday, August 30, 2017. The last day of school is Friday, June 1, 2018. You can find this year's and next year's school calendars here: www.gfps.k12.mt.us/calendar.
2. **Budget:** The Board of Trustees adopted the 2017-2018 budget at their regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, August 21. The District Budget Book has a plethora of information. You can find it here: <http://bit.ly/2x13xGl>.
3. **Truck Raffle:** The GFPS Foundation Truck Raffle is in full swing. The Toyota truck was donated by City Motors and all proceeds go to funding activities and programs for GFPS students. For more information, click here: <http://www.gfpsfoundation.org/>.
4. **Back-to-School Safety:** The GF Police Department released a "Back to School Safety Countdown" series on Facebook. There are 6 messages about safety regarding: 1) stranger danger; 2) school & drop off zones; 3) latchkey kids; 4) school buses; 5) walking to school; and 6) teen drivers. Please view and share with others at: www.facebook.com/GreatFallsPublicSchools/.
5. **Help Wanted:** Pass it on...GFPS is looking to hire teacher aides, food service workers, paraeducators, substitutes and more. Current openings are always found here: www.gfps.k12.mt.us/employment. Big Sky Bus Lines also needs to hire more bus drivers. You can contact them at 454-1283 for more information.
6. **Golden Age Passes:** GFPS has the pleasant custom of giving free lifetime athletic passes to any Great Falls community member 62 years and older. Just stop by the Superintendent's Office at 1100 4th St. S. to get yours today.
7. **Boundary Adjustment Process:** GFPS is in the process of reviewing individual school boundaries within the district. The process is facilitated by Cropper GIS, a company with extensive experience in working with communities doing boundary studies. A committee will begin meeting on September 12 just after a *public information session on Monday, September 11 at 7:00 pm at the GFPS Office Building, 1100 4th St. S.* A community forum is also scheduled for December 12.
8. **Facility Update:** It was a busy summer of construction and upgrades in and around GFPS facilities. Bond projects were started and completed as were projects paid for with general maintenance funds. For a list of bond projects (excluding the new construction at CMR, Little Russell, Lowell and Memorial Stadium) that were accomplished this summer, click here: <http://gfps.k12.mt.us/content/other-projects-underway>. You can check out picture updates of the bond projects at this link: <http://gfps.k12.mt.us/content/facility-project-update-pictures>. It will be updated by the end of this week.
9. **Memorial Stadium Update:** The football field upgrades will be done today and the GFHS football game scheduled there for this Friday, September 1, will take place as planned. The first soccer games to ever be played in Memorial Stadium will take place next week on Tuesday, September 5. The crosstown boys' game will start at 5:00 and the girls' game at 7:00. A dedication of the Power Soccer Field at Memorial Stadium will take place during halftime of the boys' game. Please join us! The track upgrade will start on September 12 with no disruption to the rest of the football schedule.
10. **Board Meetings:** Board of Trustees meetings are typically held the 2nd and 4th Mondays of most months. Exceptions are July, August, October, December and February. These are public meetings. Agendas and supporting information are always posted the Thursday afternoon prior to the Board meetings. The next Board meeting is on September 11 with the agenda posted on September 7. Important Board information can be found here: <http://www.gfps.k12.mt.us/content/school-board>.

I hope you enjoyed this week's Top Ten on Tuesday! The next release is scheduled for September 12, 2017.

Take care. Be well. Stay safe.

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