INSPIRING EXCELLENCE
OFFERING STUDENTS CHOICES WITH STATE-OF-THE-ART TECHNOLOGY & FACILITIES

Times are ever changing and Greenville Public Schools is dedicated to making sure our programs are forward thinking and keep up with career opportunities – starting from a student’s earliest educational exposure all the way through high school graduation. Here is a look at some of the programs you will find at Greenville Public Schools:

DEVELOPMENTAL KINDERGARTEN
Assuring a positive start for students

INNOVATIVE ONLINE LEARNING SCHOOLS
Traditional school not meeting your needs?  We will NOT let you fail!
• Legacy Learning Academy
• Satterlee Alternative Online School

OVER 80 AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES
ATHLETIC
Basketball · Baseball · Bowling · Dance · Equestrian Club
Football · Golf · Softball · Tennis · Track · Ski Club
Soccer · Volleyball · Wrestling

EXTENDED OPPORTUNITIES
Book Club · Chess Club · Cultural Diversity Club
Link Crew · NHS · SADD · Student Council
Writing Club · Youth Advisory

AWARD-WINNING EXTENDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES
DECA
Science Olympiad
Titan Competition
Odyssey of the Mind
MITES Competition
Orchestra
Show Choir
Marching Band
Jazz Band
Theatre Productions
Art Club

CAREER-BASED TRAINING
• Cisco Network Academy
• Welding
• Machine Tool
• Computer Sciences
• Technology Technician
• Construction Trades
• Marketing · DECA
• Emergency Medical
• Work-Based Learning
• Video Production
• Robotics Club
• Job Shadowing

GLOBAL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES
• Chinese Immersion
• World Language Classes
• International Travel

Non-Profit Organization
U.S. Postage
Greenville, MI
Permit No. 319
Center Route Present

MISSION STATEMENT: As a cooperating partner of the community, Greenville Public Schools will assure all students the education necessary to participate as responsible citizens in an ever-changing world.

*CHECK OUT PG. 2 FOR UPDATED BOND INFO!*


**ANNUAL LEGAL NOTICES:**

**Wellness**

Greenville Public Schools recognizes good nutrition and regular physical activity affect the health and well being of students. The District has set goals in an effort to enable students to establish good health and nutrition habits. These goals focus on:

- Nutrition Education
- Physical Activity
- School-Based Activities
- Nutrition Promotion
- Meeting USDA Competitive Food Regulations

The District’s Food and Nutrition Director is responsible for facilitating and verifying the District implements and meets the goals established in Policy 5110.

For more information, please visit the District’s website for more information on this policy.

**Behavior & Bullying Policy**

To promote a safe and civil environment for staff and students, GPS has board policy regarding behavioral expectations for students and staff. Policy includes expectations and consequences regarding bullying. It states, "Bullying toward a student or staff member, whether by other students, staff or third parties, including Board members, parents, guests, contractors, vendors and volunteers is strictly prohibited.” The policy directs each school to “implement a system of positive support strategies in order to encourage proactive, positive, skill-building approaches for the teaching and learning of successful student behavior and prevent inappropriate behavior, including bullying.” See the District’s website for more information on this policy.

**Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA)**

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) requires Greenville Public Schools to obtain consent or allow you to see your child out of school (participating in certain school activities, including a student survey, program, or evaluation in an educational program on an extracurricular basis) and to disclose any of the following information:

- student’s name;
- student’s address;
- student’s telephone number;
- student’s dates of attendance;
- previous educational institutions attended by the student;
- student’s grades;
- student’s class designation (i.e. 1st grade, 10th grade, etc.);
- student’s date and place of birth;
- student’s weight and height if a member of an athletic team;
- student’s extracurricular participation;
- student’s residential address;
- student’s electronic mail address;
- student’s participation in school-sponsored activities;
- student’s residence with respect to a particular school district;
- student’s locker assignment;
- student’s teacher’s name;
- student’s attendance record;
- student’s evaluation records;
- student’s disciplinary records;
- student’s grades;
- student’s class designation.

The District may disclose “Directory Information” from the educational records of a student. “Directory Information” is designated by the District as:

- student’s name, address and telephone number;
- names of student’s parents;
- student’s date and place of birth;
- student’s class designation (i.e. 1st grade, 10th grade, etc.);
- student’s extracurricular participation;
- student’s attendance record.

The District may disclose any of the above without prior written consent unless the building principal is notified to the contrary in writing. Each building administrator maintains a list of student names whose disclosures has been refused. These lists are reviewed yearly.

Federal and Michigan law require Greenville Public Schools to provide military recruiters, upon request, the name, addresses and telephone numbers of high school students. This information can only be used to provide information to students concerning educational and career opportunities available in the U.S. Armed Forces or other academies. A parent/guardian of a 16-year-old student may exercise the option to opt-out of the release of this information to military recruiters by submitting a signed written request to that effect to the high school principal.

**Asbestos Program Notification**

This notice is to inform you that state-approved asbestos inspection and management plans exist for all buildings in the school district. These plans are in each building’s main office and are available for review.

The management plans contain information regarding the location of all asbestos-containing materials, the condition of the material and the specific location of any remaining materials. Very little asbestos remains in our district. The majority of that which remains is on non-public areas, such as pipe tunnels, etc.

New buildings and significant renovations may include asbestos in the building. If these inspections have revealed that any asbestos is properly sealed and not deteriorated as to cause a safety concern, our treatment of remaining asbestos is in conformity with all Environmental Protection Agency guidelines.

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**Video Surveillance & Electronic Monitoring**

In order to protect District property, promote security and protect the health, welfare and safety of students, staff and visitors, the District uses video surveillance and electronic monitoring equipment on school property, and in school buildings and school buses.

**Integrated Pest Management System**

Greenville Public Schools has adopted an Integrated Pest Management program. Inherent with this is the district’s efforts to reduce pesticide use as much as possible. While it may occasionally be necessary to apply a pesticide, this will only be used as a last resort. This program does not rely on routine pesticide applications to resolve problems. We use various techniques such as habitat alterations, sanitation, mechanical means, exclusion, etc. to prevent pests from becoming a problem.

You will receive advance notice of the application of a pesticide, either in a form or as a written notice, if it is not possible to avoid exposure to students or staff. Before this advance notice will be given 48 hours before the application. The law requires us to do this notification by two methods. The method required by law is the posting at entrances to your child’s school. The second method we will use is posting in a common area located by your child’s school. Parents are also entitled to receive this notice by first-class United States mail postmarked at least 3 days before the application. If you would like to receive this notice by mail, please contact the Facilities Management Department at (616) 754-4436. Please give the Operations Administrative Assistant your name, mailing address and the school your child attends. In an emergency, if a class period is missed, pesticides may be applied without prior notice, but you will be provided notice following any such application.

**Elementary Bond Open House**

We would like to invite the community to view recently renovated elementary buildings on September 17, 2019. Please visit any of the four elementary schools between 4:30-6:00pm to see completed bond projects.

**BOND UPDATE:**

**COMPLETED**

- New Elementary Playgrounds
- Satterlee Renovations
- Elementary New Technology
  - High School
  - Middle School
- Fiber
- Switches
- District Infrastructure

**IN PROGRESS**

- Elementary Renovations
  - Upgraded Restrooms
  - Replacement of Soft Flooring
  - New Furniture/Fixtures
  - Renovated Media Center
  - Renovated Motor Skills Area
  - Repair Exterior where needed
  - Upgraded Plumbing
  - Collaborative Learning Areas
  - Safety and Security Upgrades
  - Increase Parking
  - New Parent/Bus Drop-Off Areas
  - Roof Replacement
  - Upgraded Technology in Classrooms

**FUTURE**

- 2020
  - Middle School Cafeteria
  - Elem. Student Chromebooks
  - High School Renovations
  - Skilled Trades Area
  - Science Area
  - Academic Area
  - Group Learning Spaces
  - Furniture/Flooring/Finishes
  - Technology Upgrades
  - Safety and Security
  - Mechanical Upgrades
  - Performing Arts Upgrades

- 2021
  - Middle School Renovations
  - Academic Areas
  - Group Learning Spaces
  - Furniture/Flooring
  - Technology Upgrades
  - Safety and Security
  - Renovated Office
  - New Parent Drop-Off
  - Mechanical Upgrades

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CALANDER OF EVENTS

August 21  First day of classes for all students
August 23  No School
August 30  No School
September 2  No School – Labor Day
September 25  Early Release for all students / Professional Development
October 4-5  Retro Radio Show  7:30pm*
October 8  MHS/HS Orchestra Fall Concert  7:00pm
October 10  HS Choir Fall Concert  7:30 pm
October 14-16  HS Conferences  6-8pm
October 18  End of secondary first marking period
October 23  Early Release for all students / Professional Development
November 6-7  MS Conferences  5-7pm
November 9  End of elementary first trimester
November 14-16  HS Musical “Mamma Mia”  7:00pm*
November 20  Early Release for all students / Professional Development
November 21  Elementary half day – Conferences  4-8pm
November 22  Elementary half day – Conferences  1-4pm
November 25  Elementary Conferences  5-8pm
November 26  Elementary half day
November 27-29  No School – Thanksgiving Recess
December 2  MS Orchestra Holiday Concert  6:30pm*
December 3  MS Band Holiday Concert  6:30pm*
December 5  MS Choir Holiday Concert  6:30pm*
December 10  HS Band & Orchestra Holiday Concert  7:00pm*
December 11  Early Release for all students / Professional Development
December 14  HS Choir Holiday Concert  7:00pm*
December 16  Cedar Crest Elementary Holiday Concert  6:30pm*
December 17  Lincoln Heights Elementary Holiday Concert  6:50pm*
December 18  Baldwin Heights Elementary Holiday Concert  6:00pm*
December 19  Walnut Hills Elementary Holiday Concert  6:00pm*
December 19-20  Secondary half days – Exams
December 20  End of secondary second marking period
Dec 23-Jan 3  No School – Winter Recess
January 6  School Resumes

* Greenville Performing Arts Center
Visit www.gpsjackets.org for individual school activities & calendar updates

SPEECH AND LANGUAGE SCREEN DAY
Speech and Language screenings for preschool aged children (2 ½ to 5 years old) will be held on August 13th at GPS Central Services Facility (1414 Chase St.). Children must be the provider for our student meal deposits. When opening an account, USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

For more information or questions, contact Kate Bradley at kbradley@gpsmi.us or 616.754.1996 to schedule an appointment.

Greenville High School Performing Arts

PERFORMING ARTS ONLINE TICKET SALES
Tickets for the 2019-2020 Greenville Performing Arts Season will be available online by August 31st. Purchase tickets at www.gpsjackets.org under ‘The Arts’ tab or scan the QR code. Tickets are also available at the Central Services Facility and 1 hour before the performance at the GHS Auditorium Box Office (if not already sold out).

CHILDREN’S CORNER
A licensed before and after school child care and preschool program that provides a safe, enriching environment for children ages 3-13.

JUNIOR JACKETS
(Preschool Programs)
Available at Baldwin Heights, Walnut Hills.
OPEN DAILY 8:30am – 3:30pm
Before and After School Child Care
Programs Available At: Baldwin Heights, Cedar Crest, Lincoln Heights & Walnut Hills
OPEN DAILY 6:00 – 8:30pm & 3:30 – 6:00pm

For more information, including rates and multiple child discounts, please visit our website www.gpsjackets.org or contact Venus Lox, Program Director at clox@gpsmi.us 616.225.1000 ext. 8700.

MEET THE YELLOW JACKETS
THURSDAY AUGUST 20 - 7:30pm
GREENVILLE HIGH SCHOOL LEGACY FIELD

We all live by these core values:
• INTEGRITY • COLLABORATION • COMPASSION • RESPONSIBILITY

FOOD & NUTRITION DEPARTMENT
Greenville Public Schools serves breakfast and hot lunch at all of our buildings every school day. Universal Breakfast is provided district wide and free of charge for every student who wishes to participate. Prices for lunch are $2.75 for the elementary schools and $3.00 for the middle and high school. Milk may be purchased for $0.50.

• www.snt익3n3.com.co is the provider for our student meal deposits. When opening an account, you will need your student’s ID number.
• www.snt익3n3.com.co is the department’s online menu tool. Download the app at Google Play or the App store (search “School Lunch by Nutrislice”).
• www.lunchapp.com is our online meal application, or pick up an application in school offices to apply for free/reduced meals. This process needs to be completed each school year. If applications are received too late to be processed prior to the start of school, parents are responsible to provide a school lunch and/or pay for meals while applications are being processed.
• The school’s statement, including diet and/or required substitutions, must be submitted to the Food & Nutrition Department at the school the child attends. You can pay for meals while applications are being processed.
• No person shall on the basis of race, creed, sex, religion, national origin or handicap be refused service.

The Board of Education generally meets in the Community Room at the Central Services Facility the second Monday of each Month at 7:00pm. The public is welcome.

For a complete schedule, please visit www.gpsjackets.org.

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SCHOOL BEGINS ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2019

« NEW Students: Any new enrolling families should enroll online at www.gpsjackets.org

> CURRENT Students: All returning families should update student information, sign appropriate forms and download other important information for the start of school using their ParentVue account at https://pvue.gpsjackets.org/pvue/

- If you do not have an account, please contact your student’s school for more information.
- Your student’s schedule, teacher assignments and transportation information will be available through ParentVue starting early August.
- Additional information will come from your student’s school.

ENROLLMENT

**ELEMENARY SCHOOLS**
Grades: Pre-K - 5th
- Full Day Schedule: 8:50am - 1:45pm
- Half Day Schedule: 8:50am - 11:50am
- Early Release Day Schedule: 8:50am - 1:00pm

**MIDDLE SCHOOL**
Grades: 6th - 8th
- Full Day Schedule: 7:30am - 2:25pm
- Half Day Schedule: 7:30am - 10:30am
- Early Release Day Schedule: 7:30am - 11:40am

**HIGH SCHOOL**
Grades: 9th - 12th
- Full Day Schedule: 7:35am - 2:30pm
- Half Day Schedule: 7:35am - 10:35am
- Early Release Day Schedule: 7:35am - 11:45am

BACK TO SCHOOL INFO
Additional information, including teacher assignments, will be provided by your school mid-June and will also be available using ParentVue.

PARENTS RIGHTS TO KNOW
All GPS elementary schools are Title I buildings under federal guidelines of the ESEA. Parents whose children attend these schools have the right to request information about the qualifications of teachers and paraprofessionals who teach and work with their children.

**Baldwin Heights Open House Night**
August 20, Pre K - 5th Grades from 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- Including Jr. Jackets

**Cedar Crest Open House Night**
August 20, Pre K - 5th Grades from 5:30pm - 7:00pm

**Lincoln Heights Orientation**
August 20, 2nd - 5th Grades starting at 5:30pm
August 20, 6th - 8th Grades starting at 6:15pm

**Walnut Hills Open House Night**
August 20, Pre K - 5th Grades from 5:30pm - 7:00pm
- Including Jr. Jackets

**6th Grade Orientation** August 15, 2019
- 8:00am - 12:00pm - Students Only
- 12:00pm - 1:00pm - Family/ Picnic

OPEN HOUSE NIGHT
August 19, 9th - 12th Grades from 5:00pm - 6:30pm
- *Class schedules will be available in the gym at 5:00pm for pick-up
- August 20, 6th Grade from 5:00pm - 6:30pm

Meet your teachers, tour the building, find your locker, and purchase PE Uniforms (shirt and shorts are $5.30 each).

**Back to School Info**
Students will be mailed a letter during the second week of August informing them of important back to school information. If you do not receive the letter, please contact the office at 616.754.9381.

ATTENDANCE POLICY
Please call the attendance line at 616.754.1992 on the day that your student is absent. This is a 24-hour line for your convenience. Appointments made in advance of the absence may also be reported on this line.

**6th Grade Schedule**
- 8:00am - 11:25am - Science
- 11:25am - 1:00pm - Lunch
- 1:00pm - 3:00pm - Social Studies
- 3:00pm - 3:45pm - PE, Health, NJHS

**Back to School Info**
Parents whose children attend these schools have the right to request information about the qualifications of teachers and paraprofessionals who teach and work with their children.

**Attendance Policy**
Please call the attendance line at 616.754.4207 on the day that your student is absent. This is a 24-hour line for your convenience. Appointments made in advance of the absence may also be reported on this line. For questions regarding procedures or the attendance policy, please call 616.754.3881.

SUPPLIES/FEEs
- Mesh Shirts: $12.72
- PE Shirts/Cotton Shorts: $7.42 each

FRESHMAN ORIENTATION, PICTURES & CHROMEBOOK PICK-UP
August 13, 9th Grade from 8:00am - 11:00am

SOPHOMORE PICTURES & CHROMEBOOK PICK-UP
August 13, 10th Grade 9:00am - 11:00am

JUNIOR PICTURES & CHROMEBOOK PICK-UP
August 15, 11th Grade 8:00am - 9:30am

SENIOR PICTURES & CHROMEBOOK PICK-UP
August 15, 12th Grade 9:30am - 11:00am

OPEN HOUSE NIGHT
August 19, 9th - 12th Grades from 5:30pm - 7:00pm

IMMUNIZATIONS
GPS works cooperatively with the Mid-Michigan District Health Department (MMHDD) in an effort to prevent, control and contain communicable diseases in schools. Students are expected to be in compliance with required immunizations and have current immunization records on file with their school. Students who do not comply with this requirement will be granted a certified non-medical waiver from the MMHDH. If you have questions about your child’s immunizations, please contact the MMHDH at 989.831.5233.

**School closed & DEF PROCEDURE**
- The decision to close school is made cooperatively by the Superintendent and the Director of Transportation. Although not always an easy decision or a popular one, school will remain open if road conditions are safe for bus travel. Parents always have the option of keeping children home if they are concerned about weather conditions.

- When it is necessary to delay or close school due to inclement weather, the decision will be announced as quickly as possible on the District’s website, Facebook page and the following television and radio stations:
  - WOOD-TV 8
  - WXMI-TV 17
  - WOOD-TV 13
  - WOOD-AM/FM
  - WOOD-FM
  - WCSG-FM
  - WXMI-AM/FM
  - WODJ-AM/FM
  - WCSG-FM
  - WOOD-FM

We're an OK2SAY School!
P: 855-565-2729 Text: 652729 www.mi.gov/ok2say

OK2SAY is a student safety initiative available to Michigan students in grades K-12 that enables students to confidentially report potential harm or criminal activities aimed at students, teachers, staff or other school employees.

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