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Letter from the Superintendent's Desk



Dear Students and Families,

We are getting closer!

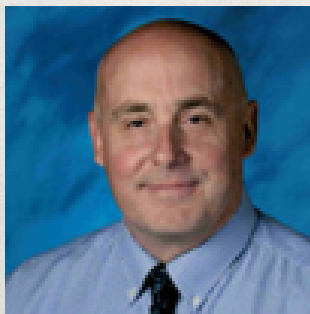
On February 1, 2021, we are planning to bring our first groups of students back to campus within a hybrid model. We look forward to welcoming our pre-school students, kindergarteners along with identified K-12 special needs and English Language Learners. If you have a child in one of these groups, be looking for more information from your school's Principal!

In other re-opening news, we have also welcomed back athletes in small pods who wish to begin conditioning for upcoming sports seasons scheduled for later this spring. Small groups of at-risk students have also been able to receive assistance in accordance with safety protocols.

Finally, I want to give a shout out to our Food Service and Transportation Departments who on Wednesday, despite no power at schools or homes, were able to gather and deliver the weekly food supplies to our students. A number of employees from other departments also stepped in to assist in the process. Thank you all for putting aside home power outages to ensure food got into the hands of our students!

Be well, be safe!

Dr. M



Granite Falls High School Manufacturing Students

Pictures provided by Manufacturing teacher Mr. Gallagher.



Projects completed at home
and on campus.

Great job Tigers!



SPREADING SMILES FOR MILES

MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER DOES SURPRISE VISITS TO STUDENTS DELIVERING GOODIE BAGS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

During these challenging times of teaching and learning it's been difficult for students and teachers alike to engage in a new classroom environment via Zoom. A regular desire for teachers is to be able to see their student's faces and know they are okay. One middle school science teacher, Sabrina McLaughlin decided to go a little further to make sure she got to see some joy on her student's faces by delivering holiday goodie bags to each of their homes.

Way to go Sabrina McLaughlin!



Nominate a staff member!

Do you know a staff member of the Granite Falls School District who is doing an amazing job, going above and beyond the call, or just being a great support for your child. Nominate them for the staff spotlight by emailing: communications@gfalls.wednet.edu.

You just may see them in next month's issue of Tiger Pause!



Martin Luther King Jr Day

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."

- Martin Luther King Jr.



Observed annually on the third Monday in January.

In January 2004, the Washington State House of Representatives passed House Resolution 4676 to recognize Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, honoring the importance of the life and work of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Dr. The resolution calls on the people of the state of Washington to study, reflect on, and celebrate Dr. King's life and ideals in order to fulfill his dream of civil and human rights for all people and urges "all citizens of our state to make Martin Luther King, Jr. Day a day of service- a day on, not a day off."

Granite Falls School District will observe this day on Monday, January 18, 2021.



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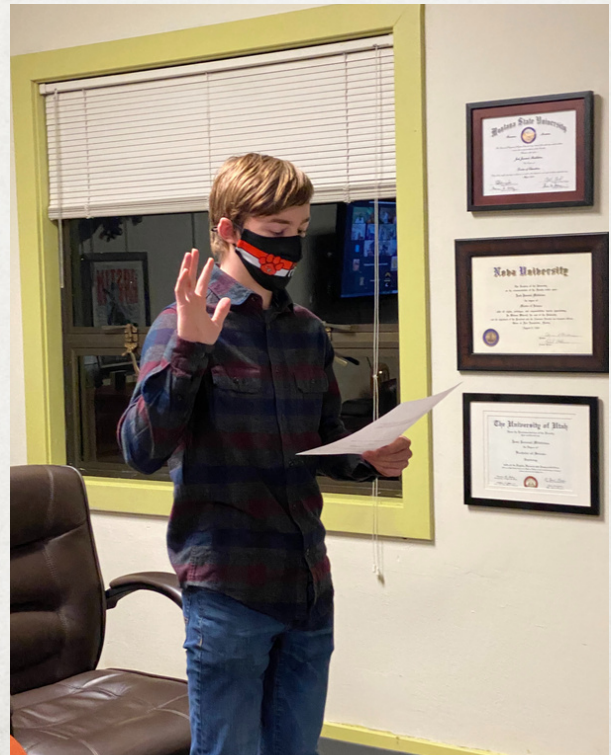
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ASB Representatives to the Board

On December 2, 2020, Emma Lanegan from Crossroads High School was sworn in as the ASB Representative student advisor to the board.

On January 6, 2021, Jamieson Haverfield from Granite Falls High School was sworn in as the ASB Representative student advisor to the board.

Each student is responsible for gathering information and updates from their high school and reporting to the board at each regular board meeting. They are also responsible for relaying important information and updates that are happening throughout the district back to their school at their ASB meetings. Student reps are an important voice that helps school boards hear the missing opinions and insight from students. They are vital to the success of the district.



Congratulations Emma and Jamieson!

SCHOOL BOARD APPRECIATION MONTH

January is School Board Appreciation Month! If you see our board members in the month of January, please take time to say thank you for their commitment to our schools. School board members are responsible for approving the District's financial budget, including contracts for teachers and other employees, hiring the superintendent, setting policy, providing accountability, and advocating for students and staff. We have an outstanding group of dedicated folks working hard for our students, staff and community.

Thank you- Robert Butler, Dave Green, Carl Cary, Tina Veatch, Dr. Richard Panagos, and our student representatives Emma Lanegan and Jamieson Haverfield!



"You're going to make a difference. A lot of times it won't be huge, it won't be visible even. But it will matter just the same."

- James Gordon



SCHOOL BOARD UPDATES

Policy Updates

Amended

5240: Evaluation of Staff

School Board Meetings

January 20

February 3

February 17

COMMUNITY RESOURCES



**Sno-Isle Libraries- Classes
and events schedule.**



**Granite Falls Historical
Society- Monthly Newsletter**



Granite Falls Community Coalition



Granite Falls Boys & Girls Club