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2009 – 2010

GHS ADMINISTRATION

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL.....JF Lucas

Dear Parent,

Each year we announce our school's standing with meeting the federal requirements of Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) as defined by the No Child Left Behind Act. AYP goals are set by the state and refer to our graduation rate and the percentage of tenth grade students and other second year high school students who perform Proficient or above (Level 3 or Level 4) on the High School Assessment Program (HSAP) tests for English/Language Arts and Mathematics.

For 2008-09, Greenville High School did not meet AYP. Our school met 13 of our 21 AYP target goals for the year.

Because we did not make Adequate Yearly Progress, our school will focus on ways to close achievement gaps and bring every student to the Proficient level (Level 3 or Level 4 on HSAP). 66.9% of students overall at our school are performing at Level 3 or Level 4 on the High School Assessment Program (HSAP) test in Math and 70.3% are performing at Level 3 or Level 4 in English/Language Arts on the HSAP. Our on-time graduation rate is 72%.

To meet AYP goals, high schools must annually achieve an 88.3% student graduation rate, meet or exceed last year's graduation rate, or meet or exceed its three-year average graduation rate. Also, tenth grade and other second year high school students must meet or exceed the following percentages of students scoring at Level 3 or Level 4 on the High School Assessment Program (HSAP) Tests:

| HSAP | 2003-05 | 2006-08 | 2009-11 | 2012-13 | 2014 |
|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|
| English/Lang. Arts | 33.3% | 52.3% | 71.3% | 90.3% | 100% |
| Mathematics | 30.0% | 50.0% | 70.0% | 90.0% | 100% |

At Greenville High School, the following student groups are being reported: White, African-American, Hispanic, Disabled, and Free-Reduced Price Lunch Participants.

If you have questions about our school's AYP result, please call me. For further information about Adequate Yearly Progress, please visit the Greenville County Schools website at www.greenville.k12.sc.us.

Sincerely,

JF Lucas, Principal



Challenge Day is on the WAY! We have a first-ever event coming to Greenville High School on February 8, 9 & 10. Greenville High School will be hosting our own Challenge Day Program. Since 1987, the Challenge Day Program has touched the lives of over half-a-million teens and adults nationwide. Challenge Days will encompass powerful, high-energy programs in which youth and adult participants are guided through a series of experiential learning processes. The overall goals of the program are to increase personal power and self esteem, and shift dangerous peer pressure to positive peer support. The Challenge Day Program is designed to unite the members of our school community and successfully address issues of violence, teasing, social oppression, racism, harassment, conflict management, suicide, peer pressure, alcohol and drugs.

The Challenge Day Program has received numerous awards from the Juvenile Justice System, government officials, and many school districts and cities throughout the nation. The program was featured in the book *Chicken Soup for the Teenage Soul* and the Emmy Award-winning documentary *Teen Files: Surviving High School*. Please visit www.challengeday.org to view additional program information.

All-Sports Booster Club

Lynn & Allen Armstrong



Greenville High had a remarkable fall sports season by ending the season with two Peach Blossom Region Champion Teams and 2 State Champions! Both the Football Team and the Cheerleaders were Region Champions and Bailey Dowe and Sandlin Armstrong each won state championships at the 3 AAA State Swim Meet. ***The Booster Club is proud of all of our Red Raider athletes and their accomplishments.***

Thank you to all of you who continue to support the All Sports Booster Club! To date, we have been able to financially support our teams by giving over \$40,000 in coaches supplements. We also hosted the Fall Sports Banquet, which allowed our coaches and administration to recognize their teams and players.

Please continue to support Greenville High and our athletes by attending games and cheering for our Raiders, and by becoming involved with the Booster Club.

Lynn and Allen Armstrong, *Presidents of the All-Sports Booster Club*



All-Arts Booster Club

Kim Paschal

The All-Arts fruit sale was held in December and was a tremendous success this year! We sold over 300 boxes of citrus fruit and all proceeds will help support the various art programs at Greenville High School. The Booster Club would like to thank everyone that purchased fruit this year. **The GHS band will be starting a fundraiser to help purchase new equipment for the band.** Please take time to look at the fundraiser information. Finally, we are continuing to sell vouchers for Marble Slab Birthday Cakes.

Greenville High School has a new piece of art on the first floor wall of the new building near the Art Department. Morgan McWhite has spent countless hours working on the mural that will stretch the first floor hallway. The first panel of the mural is up and the other panels will be added in the near future. Please take time to view the mural the next time you are in school.

There are several upcoming events for the Spring. **The Annual Greenville High Art show will be held in early May at Spill the Beans.** Last year we had an outstanding show. It's an event you don't want to miss. Also, the Drama Department will be offering The Senior Drama Production and the Drama Department is involved in the production of *Bail Out*. **The play will run from February 4 - 7 in the Auditorium at Greenville High School.** *Bail Out* is written by a local writer. Be sure to put these events on your calendar.

NEWS from GHS STUDENT COUNCIL...

Raising **\$100,400.01** for Greenville Family Partnership, Potential Youth Foundation, Triune Mercy Center, and the Kroc Center was a great way to finish 2009. Now that the New Year has arrived, Student Council has hit the ground running with many new and exciting projects!

In February, we will sponsor **Pennies for Patients**, our annual fundraiser for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. More information on this event will be distributed to students in school. We will also be sponsoring the King of Hearts and Match Maker this year for Valentine's Day. Please ask your student what these fun GHS traditions are all about.

Elections are also coming up in March! Please encourage your student to get involved in Greenville High Student Council. Finally, it is that time of year again; time to start preparing for next year's Spirit Week. Because next year's Spirit Week is early in the football season (the third game), we will begin accepting charity proposals now, and we'll make our selections by the end of the school year.

As always, thank you for your support and **Happy New Year** from the GHS Student Council!

GREENVILLE HIGH SCHOOL 2010 STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTION TIMELINE

| | |
|---------------|---|
| March 1 | MANDATORY meeting for all interested candidates for Student Council @ lunch in Room 212 |
| March 1-4 | Sign-ups for Student Body Officers |
| March 5-11 | Campaigning for Student Body Offices |
| March 10 | Speeches for Student Body Offices (Assembly – 3 rd period) |
| March 11 | Voting for Student Body Officers |
| March 12 | Run-off (if needed) |
| March 11 - 12 | Sign-ups for Class Officer positions |
| March 11 - 18 | Campaigning for Class Officers |
| March 15 | Sophomore class speeches (GTV) |
| March 16 | Junior class speeches (GTV) |
| March 17 | Senior class speeches (GTV) |
| March 18 | Voting for Class Officers |
| March 19 | Run-off (if needed) |
| March 18-22 | Sign-ups for Class Representatives |
| March 22-25 | Campaigning for Class Representatives |
| March 25 | Voting for Class Representatives |
| March 26 | Run-off (if needed) |
| April 7 | New Council meeting @ lunch in the Forum |

GHS Student Council

Student Body Officers:

Graham Bichell, President

Mary Pat Kiser, VP

Maggie Rawlins, Treas.

Julia Rushing, Secretary

Senior Class Officers:

McFadyen Anderson, President

Thomas Bruce, VP

Tyler Bealmer, Co-Treasurer

Mattos Paschal, Co-Treasurer

Ali Lewis, Secretary

Connor Hipps, Class Rep

Michael Miles, Class Rep

Rashad Simmons, Class Rep

James Smith, Class Rep

Junior Class Officers:

Anna Few, President

Michael Pham, VP

Buck Stone, Treasurer

Tishanna Smith, Secretary

Caroline Anderson, Class Rep

Emily Sanders, Class Rep

Ryan Stavrakas, Class Rep

Lisa Stoiser, Class Rep

Sophomore Class Officers:

Laura Nickles, President

Jack Evans, VP

Shirley Ann Morgan, Treasurer

Danielle Gaafary, Secretary

Beck Dugas, Class Rep

Kit Hassold Class Rep

Jackie Lipscomb, Class Rep

Faculty Advisor:

Penny Beacham

pbeacham@greenville.k12.sc.us

**GHS Student Council has approximately 28 other appointed officers that assist with council activities during the year.*

Guidance Office**9th Grade**

Melissa McDowell 355-5519*

10th Grade

Vivian Holliday 355-5522*

11th Grade

Adelaide Fackler 355-5521*

12th Grade

Jennifer Binder 355-5520*

Career Development Counselor

Vicki Clement 355-5397*

Guidance Secretary

Cathy Phelps 355-5504

Important Dates**February 22**Freshman Orientation for Rising
9th Grade**March 1**Curriculum Night for Rising 10-
12th Grades**March 4 - 19**

SRS accessible to students/parents

April 7Students given Course Request
Sheet for parent signature**June 3-4**

Deadline for parent overrides

Guidance Advisory
Committee (GAC)

*Includes the Guidance Dept.
Representatives and the following
Faculty, Student, and Community
Representatives:*

Guidance Representatives**Listed Above*Faculty RepresentativesGene Hinson
Amanda Catherman
Leigh Berman
Shana SweeneyCommunity/Parent
RepresentativesJamie Moon
Dorothy Dowe
Cathy Tabor
Terri Stafford
Susie WickerStudent Body RepresentativesMaggie Grisell
Austin Rodgers
Mariah Wicker
Becky Salami**Guidance News...****GHS Students Register Online for 2010-2011**

Online course registration will begin in March. The process, known as Student Registration System (SRS), was implemented in 2004. SRS allows parents and students to request elective courses (related arts classes) for the next school year from home via the Internet. Families who do not have access to the Internet will be given opportunities to use school computers to register online.

Using SRS will ensure that parents have the opportunity to assist their child in requesting elective courses and will allow school counselors and teachers more time for meetings with parents and students to discuss course content and placement issues. Parents and students should understand that requesting a course through SRS does not guarantee that the student is placed in the course the next school year. Final placement in a course is dependent upon enrollment, scheduling feasibility, and teacher allocation.

Before the registration process begins in March, schools will give instructions to parents on accessing SRS from home. Schools will also post the course catalog on the school website so that parents may see what courses will be offered by the school for the following school year.

Parents without Internet access at home may request a printed copy of the course catalog. They are strongly encouraged to contact the school to find out dates and times for using school computers to assist them in registering their child.

February 22, 6:30 pmRising 9th grade Night – Freshman Orientation ***March 1, 6:30 pm**

Curriculum Night for rising 10-12 Grades*

March 4 – 18

English classes will sign up for electives with counselors

March 4 – 19

SRS accessible to students and parents at home

March 8 – 12 & 15 -19Computers available for SRS in guidance during school
hours by appointment**April 7**

Students given a printout of course requests to have signed

June 3, 4 pm

Deadline for parent overrides

We are preparing for Individual Gradation Plan (IGP) conferences for all freshmen, sophomores, and juniors. These will occur in March along with course registration through English classes. Sophomores will be choosing a major along with their preferred career cluster.

Career assessments were administered through English and Social Studies classes last semester for freshmen and sophomores. Juniors will complete their assessments in February through English classes. Our goal is to have these results for students to consider in choosing courses for next year.

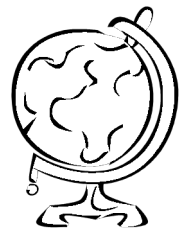
For ongoing career events and activities please see Vicki Clement's website at vclement@greenville.k12.sc.us.

***NOTE:** *Instructions for parents regarding accessing SRS will be provided at the Freshman Orientation (9th grade) and Curriculum Night (10 – 12th grades).*

Guidance Advisory Committee

The Guidance Advisory Committee (GAC) is a group consisting of all Guidance counselors, teacher representatives, community, parent and student representatives. *A listing of the committee members is located on page 4.* This committee meets each month to discuss current Guidance department activities and issues or concerns that could be addressed by Guidance. Meetings are open to anyone who wishes to attend, and are held on the first Thursday of the month at 12:20 in the Forum.

If you are interested in learning more about this committee, please contact Dorothy Dowe (GAC Chair, dhdowe@charter.net) or Vivian Holliday (Guidance Department Chair, vhollida@greenville.k12.sc.us).



HOST A FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT!

Have a high school student live with you for the school year. Your family will foster relationships between countries and make lifelong friends with people worldwide. **Please help us make a difference in the world!**

Call Shirley Sullivan/Regional Director at:
1-877-220-3103.

You can also visit our website at:
www.ciee.org/highschool

2009/2010 GHS PALMETTO FELLOWS NAMED...

The following students are eligible to receive the state's highest scholarship based on their academic record and SAT or ACT scores. The eligibility criteria are: Rank in the top 6% of the class at the end of the sophomore or junior year, have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 at the end of the junior year, and score a minimum of 1200 on the SAT (Critical Reading and Math) or 27 on the ACT. Students scoring at least 1400 (Critical Reading and Math) on the SAT or 32 on the ACT and having a 4.0 cumulative GPA at the end of their junior year, regardless of class rank, may also be eligible. Congratulations to the following seniors:

Erin Abney, Laura Batson, Graham Bichell, Virginia Bruch, Hugh Hamilton, Anna Holleman, Emily James, Fielding Lowrance, Mattos Paschal, Kaitlyn Penkert, Emma Lyne Pouch, Meredith Pritchett, Julia Rushing, William Senn, Carrie Seigler, Colin Stafford, Mary Elsa Tomlin, Caroline Washnock, and Matthew Washnock.

Business Week...

Greenville High would like to say **THANK YOU** to all the participants in our Business/Career Week in November. The week was a great success with lots of participation from our staff, community, and student body. We had 69 speakers in 144 classes during this week. Through the insight of these speakers, we hope that our students were able to see the relevance of their classes as they prepare for their future college and career goals.

Please see Vicki Clement's website at vclement@greenville.k12.sc.us for a list of all community participants and future events.

Greenville County School District is hosting four **Financial Aid Workshops** for parents this year. Each workshop will begin at 7:00 and conclude at 8:30 pm. Representatives from local colleges and universities will be sharing valuable information on applying for various types of financial aid. Information, including brochures, will also be shared concerning the JE Sistine Scholarship.

The dates and locations for the remaining workshops are as follows:

| | |
|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Thursday, February 4 | JL Mann High School |
| Thursday, February 11 | Greer High School |
| Thursday, February 18 | Carolina High School |

FROM PTSA PRESIDENTS.....*Steve & Jennifer Yarborough*

Dear GHS Parents, Teachers and Students,

The GHS PTSA wishes to thank the *Riley Institute, BI-LO Charities, GHS PTSA and GHS Partners in Excellence Campaign, Rosenfeld-Einstein, and Gastroenterology Associates* for sponsoring the nationally known "Challenge Day" program. The Challenge Day program provides students with ways to deal with typical adolescent issues they face during the important high school years. Participants leave Challenge Day inspired and empowered to become leaders in their school and community. We are the first school in the upstate to be able to offer this unique opportunity to our students. There has been tremendous community support and a full list of supporters will be on the GHS website and in the next newsletter.

All parents are invited to our **next PTSA meeting - Tuesday, February 16th at 12:30** in the Forum at GHS.

Steve and Jennifer Yarborough
sjarborough@charter.net

PTSA Project Proposals



= Positive Impact on GHS



Each year our volunteers are committed to giving their time to operate the PTSA School Store. With the proceeds from our school store, the PTSA has funded more than \$18K worth of academic-related project proposals for this school year. Annually, the staff and administration at GHS submit projects for consideration by the PTSA Project Proposals committee. In selection of a project for funding, the committee may consider any or all of the following factors:

- It has impact on a significant number of students.
- It is cost effective.
- It has sustained impact on school improvement.

A detailed listing of our 2009-2010 project proposals will be included in the next newsletter issue. THANK YOU to all of you who volunteered your time, bought our GHS apparel, and supported the school store to provide funding to our teachers and to our students!

Project Proposal Chairman:
 Pam Evans and Susan Reed

Enrichment Field Trips...

GHS Orchestra Trip... The GHS Strings trip this year will be to Orlando and Tampa, Florida. Students will depart on Thursday, April 8th for Orlando. There they will perform and compete in the Music USA Festival at Universal Studios and spend the rest of the day enjoying the rides in Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure. The following day we'll drive to Tampa and spend the day at Busch Gardens. After all the fun, we will return to Greenville on Sunday, April 11th. **Contact James Johnston, jjohnsto@greenville.k12.sc.us, for more information.**

Washington, DC Trip... Each year, 11th grade history students have the opportunity to travel to Washington in the spring.

- **Final Payment of \$156.00** for Washington, DC is **due on Wednesday, February 17th.**
- Dates for the Washington, DC Trip are: **Thursday, March 18th thru Sunday, March 21st.**

Reservations have been confirmed for the Pentagon, the US Holocaust Memorial Museum, and The Little Shop of Horrors at Ford's Theatre! Greenville High is also being allowed to present a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers in Arlington National Cemetery. There are 147 Red Raiders currently enrolled to go to DC!

Any parent interested in going to Washington, DC as a chaperone should contact Mrs. Michelle Allen at 355-5585 or pallen@greenville.k12.sc.us

Save the Date

Parent and Teen Alcohol and Drug Awareness Forum
April 12th at the Redemption Outreach Center.
 GHS, J.L. Mann, Christ Church and Greenville Tech Charter High School are sponsoring the program.

**2009-2010
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**PTSA REFLECTIONS
Winners...**

GHS School winners:

Photography

1st place - Courtney Sims
2nd place - Lisa Stoiser
3rd place - Dontarius Reeves
HM - Lisa Stoiser
HM - Mary Catherine Tate

Visual Arts

1st place - Kaitlyn Dickey
2nd place - Reese Spygean
3rd place - Sarah Kirett
HM - Drew Edwards
HM - Kendall Henderson

Literature

1st place - Fielding Lowrance
2nd place - Carrie Seigler
3rd place - Meredith Pritchett
HM - Mary Pat Kiser
HM - Mitchell Hammonds

Southwest Winners:

Photography

2nd place - Courtney Sims

Visual Arts

3rd place - Kaitlyn Dickey

Literature

3rd place - Fielding Lowrance

**YEARBOOK and PUBLICATION
Announcements...**

Yearbooks are for sale via GHS and www.jostens.com. Please place all personalization orders by February 20, 2010.

You may order books directly through GHS for a reduced rate through March 1st:

- Yearbook: \$66
- Yearbook + 1 line of personalization: \$71.77
- Yearbook + 1 line of personalization & 1 icon: \$75.38
- Yearbook + 1 line of personalization & 2 icons: \$78.98

If Jostens has accidentally cancelled your yearbook order, please send a note through your student to Room 224. We apologize for the computerized mistake and are working to correct the issue.

Also, we have 8 pages of advertising still available for senior ads or community ads. Ad prices start at \$75 for a business card size to \$300 for a FULL page senior ad. Please consider advertising your business or recognizing Raider alumni.

Also, we welcome pictures from parents for all spring sports and activities. Please submit pictures on CD.

The Greenville High News will offer a mini issue on February 12th and full-length issues for prom and graduation. **Many thanks to Redmond Imaging Solutions, Inc. for printing our Christmas issue.**

Please contact Amy Anderson at aeanders@greenville.k12.sc.us to submit photos, articles, or advertising.

Advertising starts at \$25 for a business card in the mini issue to \$150 for a full page in a standard issue.

We are going green by reducing our number of printed copies. Please check our website for current and archived issues:
<http://greenvillehighnews.blogspot.com>
<<http://greenvillehighnews.blogspot.com/>>

Other PTA Contacts

South Carolina PTA

<http://www.scpta.org/>

National PTA

<http://www.pta.org/>

PARTNERS IN EXCELLENCE

Please join other GHS families by supporting the Partners in Excellence campaign. This year, we have the unique opportunity to support Challenge Day. This program has impacted over half a million participants nationwide and Greenville High is the very first school in the Upstate to offer this extraordinary program. Donors will be recognized in the spring newsletter. Any amount is appreciated and directly impacts our students now and in the future.

Your tax-deductible donation can be sent to: Kim Whelehan
98 Woodvale Ave. Greenville, SC 29605. **Questions?**
Please contact Kim Whelehan at kwhelehan@charter.net.

Dates to remember

- Feb 4-7** GHS Production of *Bail Out*
Feb 8-10 Challenge Day Program
Feb 15 President's Day – NO SCHOOL
Feb 16 PTSA Mtg @ 12:30 pm in Forum
Feb 19 Progress Reports
Feb 22 Orientation for Rising 9th Graders
@ 6:30 pm
Mar 1 Curriculum Night
(10 – 12 grades) @ 6:30 pm

Mar 29 – Apr 2 Spring Break!
April 5 Snow Day 2 (if not used)
Apr 12 Parent/Teen Alcohol & Drug
Awareness Forum

Apr 24 Prom

June 2 Graduation @ 4 pm

VISIT US on the

Greenville High Website

<http://www.greenville.k12.sc.us/gvilleh/>

School District Website

www.greenville.k12.sc.us

DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER IS 3/19/10

Shelly Voyles - Editor
voylessc@charter.net



Freshman Orientation for rising 9th graders

Come and enjoy a brief meeting in the auditorium on **Monday February 22nd at 6:30pm**. This meeting will offer information and news from our Freshman Academy Coordinator - Ms. Pam Player, our Principal - Mr. Lucas, and Freshman Guidance Counselor – Mrs. Melissa McDowell. All departments will offer displays and information on clubs and extra-curricular activities in the atrium and the PTSA will provide refreshments.

This orientation is for **current 8th graders/rising 9th graders**. If you have friends who will be attending Greenville High next year or are considering attending, this is a great time for students and parents to meet the faculty and see our school.

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