Galena High School Five Star Boosters **Grizzly Growl**

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From the Principal

By Jay Salter, Principal, Galena High School, <u>risalter@washoeschools.net</u>

Hello Grizzly Community! Here are a few updates/celebrations. Please listen to the Wednesday Night Connect-Ed when we have Galena students highlight the events taking place at the school. Next year, we are going to move to a different platform for delivering weekly information that may be more accessible and simpler for all our users.

Celebrations

- A cohort of Galena students are working with the WCSD Student Voice Department during 7th period Academic Success to identify areas in the Curriculum and Culture of the school to increase student engagement. Several of the Galena students will present on May 19th at TMCC on how we continue to develop our 7th period classes around student interests. We went from 4 "student interest classes" for the 22-23 school year to 17 for the 23-24 school year!
- Chief Warrant Officer Sherych and the JROTC Robotics team traveled to Dallas, Texas from April 26th 30th for the VEX Robotics World Championships. The Grizzly team made it to the top 8 teams in the JROTC division and qualified for the quarterfinals. Magnificent work for their 1st competition!

Graduation 2023 information

- June 17th @ 12:30 p.m. at Lawlor Events Center. Each student will receive 10 tickets and 3 parking passes, and we will have a ticket exchange in the front office, ask for Mrs. Leslie.
- Please follow the District guidelines for Graduation attire and ask about the new policy that will allow students to decorate their caps this year! We will begin Senior talks in May during which we will explain the Graduation Attire guidelines, Graduation Practice dates, and procedures for the Graduation Ceremony.
- We are also continuing to develop the Graduation Ceremony itself and will be holding tryouts for performers for the event which will be "student-centered" and highlight the talents and skills of the 2023 Senior Class.

Technology Information

• The Galena High School Library has laptops for students to check out for the remainder of the school year. Please do not ever allow your student to not complete work because they lack a device. We have laptops available now.

Galena Outdoor School Signature Academy for 2024-2025

• The Galena Administration and Staff are in the beginning stages of developing an "Outdoor School Signature Academy" here at Galena that would utilize the outdoor venues close to GHS and a Problem Based Learning focus for students to have extended learning experiences that will earn them relevant certifications for a variety of 21st Century jobs. Look for the flyer on the school website in early August.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at: rjsalter@washoeschools.net

Five Star Booster News By Michelle Simmons, Booster President, ghsboosterpto@gmail.com

How is it May already? This is the final Grizzly Growl of the school year. I would like to thank the 2022-23 Executive Board and all our Committee Chair(s) that coordinated the efforts of the Five Star Boosters/PTO this year. THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Vice President: Alisanne Steele	Treasurer: Kristine Kinne
Secretary: Cynamon Heide	Parliamentarian: Dan LaFountain
Teacher Appreciation: Kari Benoy & Debra Cuddy	Senior Events: Allison Olsen & Colette McKenzie
Membership: Tanya Lenon & Becky Derifield	Finance Committee: Kara Griffin
Dollars for Scholars: Lynda Sohl	Grizzly Growl: Carolyn Renner
Scholarship: Emilie Carpenter & Stephanie Peterson	Santa Wrap: Julie Fontani

Here's how we have used your contributions this school year:

- \$11,000 toward Senior Scholarships for the Class of 2023
- \$10,240 to Athletics and \$2,560 to Fine Arts from the sale of the Extracurricular Pass
- \$6,000 for 5 new Nikon cameras and kits for the Yearbook Class (in process)
- \$3,000 for the purchase of Spirit Wall Wraps for Galena High School
- \$3,000 toward the purchase of new ROTC polo shirts.
- \$2,000 toward the purchase of Staff Jackets for 10+ years of service at Galena
- \$1,500 for a Cricut and Printing Press for The Den and Galena Leadership
- \$1,500 Strategies Class for classroom and art supplies
- \$1,000 toward the Santa Wrap
- \$350 in gift cards for teacher incentives
- \$60 Mock Trial Club
- Monthly Teacher Appreciation events and Senior events

If anyone would like to join us next year, we have a few openings:

- Fundraising (Need 2 people. This committee organizes Dollars for Scholars)
- **Scholarship** (1 additional person. May not have a child who is a senior)
- **Grad Night** (1 or 2 people to organize the event for the Class of 2024)

Our final meeting of the school year Wednesday, May 17th at 5:30pm location is tbd. Don't forget to join our <u>Galena High School Parents Facebook page</u> for school announcements and happenings. Thank you again for your continued support.

Michelle Simmons Galena High School 5 Star Boosters President

By Ann Marie Redd, Asst Principal, Testing, SPED & Professional Development <u>Antoinette.Redd@washoeschools.net</u>

March 7th ACT Scores—If your student did not receive his/her scores please contact ACT directly at 319-337-1270 *or* act-cares@act.org

EOCs (End of Course Exams) will be in the following subjects: Algebra 1 and English 4

Advanced Placement (AP) exams testing window is May 1, 2023 - May 11, 2023. If your student(s) is taking an Advanced Placement course, an exam fee is required. Please make sure your student arrives at school by 7:45.

AP EXAM SCHEDULE 2023

WEEK 1:	TIME: 7:45 AM	TIME: 11:45AM	
MAY 1: Monday	US Govt. & Politics (Small Gym)	Chemistry (Office Conference Room)	
MAY 2: Tuesday	Env. Science (Small Gym)	Psychology (Small Gym)	
MAY 3: Wednesday	English Lit. (Small Gym)		
MAY 4: Thursday	Human Geography (Small Gym)	Statistics (Room 212)	
May 5: Friday	US History (Small Gym)		
WEEK 2:	TIME: 7:45 AM	TIME: 11:45 AM	
MAY 8: Monday	Calculus AB/BC (Small Gym)	Comp Sci Principles (Room 212)	
MAY 9: Tuesday	English Language (Small Gym)	Physics C Mechanics (Room 212)	
MAY 10: Wednesday	Spanish Language (Room 212)	Biology (Room 212)	
MAY 11: Thursday	French Language (Room 212)		

Monday May 1st 12:00 PM: Deadline for AP Computer Sci Principles students to submit their "Create performance task" as final.

<u>Friday May 5th 12:00 PM</u>: Deadline for AP Art digital portfolios to be submitted to AP Program through the AP Digital Portfolio

By Vanessa Nelson, Assistant Principal, Attendance and Curriculum <u>vnelson@washoeschools.net</u>

The registration and application process is now open for students that are planning to take a fall class at TMCC. You must do this before the end of the school year so counselors can verify you are enrolled in the correct class. See your counselor if you have any questions. Below is the link for TMCC.

Jump Start - Steps to Enroll - Truckee Meadows Community College (tmcc.edu)

Students who have Work Study as part of their Galena course load must submit pay stubs to their counselor. **The deadline for seniors to submit pay stubs to earn credit is Friday, May 26th.** Other grade levels have until June 9th to submit their pay stubs. After those dates, if a student hasn't submitted paystubs, they will receive a U on their transcript, and will not earn the .5 credit for the work study class.

Wanting to Register for TMCC Econ? Students who wish to take the economics class to fulfill WCSD economic graduation requirement must use the below section numbers to register. This ECON101 class is a high school level class only and is not listed in the TMCC course list.

- TMCC summer section number: 50542
- TMCC fall section number: 80962

Galena High School Registration: Parents please go onto your parent portal and complete online registration for the 23-24 school year.

Counseling Corner

Spring is finally here! The finish line is right around the corner. It's hard to believe that this school year is almost over. AP exams will be given in the first two weeks of May on our campus (students should already know the days/times of their exams). **May is also the time to regroup and focus on a solid finish!** As the temperature warms and thoughts of the summer break fill your mind, please remember to pass all of your classes first! The spring semester ends in June and your grades at that time will be permanently reflected on your high school transcript. It is critical that students stay on top of their credit requirements and are not credit deficient. Graduation with your class is the goal!

If you did not pass one or more of your required classes at the end of the first semester last December and/or you anticipate not passing one or more classes in June, please contact us as soon as possible so we can discuss options for you to make up credits- specifically summer school. **We will be offering an online program for a few weeks this summer.** Please talk with your teachers now to discuss any grade concerns before we approach the very end (and final exams) for the semester!! Your teachers will be able to let you know what exactly you still need to complete and what can be done to improve your grade.

Hopefully you enjoyed a productive and successful year at Galena High School and took advantage of the many educational and extracurricular activities available to our students. **We encourage you to start thinking, planning, and preparing for next year- not just academically but also in terms of what types of programs and activities you may want to explore next year.** The summertime is also a great time to start researching college and career options- it's never too early to start planning for your future- as well as looking into volunteer or community service opportunities. The sooner you begin developing plans and ideas for "life after Galena", the more prepared you will be for your senior year and all the decisions and choices that come during that year and afterwards. Keep working hard and finish on a strong note this year- you are almost done!! Have a restful and relaxing summer break!

The Counseling Department

Visit the Counseling Department Website for Updated Information



From the College and Career Center

By Sylva Applebach, College and Career Center Facilitator sapplebach@washoeschools.net

SENIOR CLASS AWARDS NIGHT is scheduled for Tuesday, May 30, at the Atlantis and is an

"invitation only" event. At this ceremony, we will announce all Academic Letter Award recipients, Community Service Letter Awards, scholarship offers students notified us that they received from multiple colleges (regardless of where student will actually attend), local scholarships received (that we receive notification of), and the Galena Scholarships will be announced for those who applied and attend the ceremony. We are happy to announce all scholarships offered to students (whether they attend that university or not) on official letterhead from the university that is turned in to Mrs. Applebach in the Career Center (or by email), May 17. There is a QR Code posted around the school and in our TEAMS class for seniors to fill out their scholarship offers. Sometimes we can add late arriving scholarship info verbally to the Program; the Awards Program goes to the Print Shop 10 days before the event. We will print all scholarship offers in the Senior Class Awards Program. If students don't turn them in, we won't know about them and can't print or announce the offers!! Remember: they must be official letters or email, not just a student- written list.

SENIOR BANNER: The Senior Banner is up. The banner will hang 20 feet above the stage at the Atlantis Senior Award Night Ceremony. All seniors graduating can have a banner. Taking a gap year? Entering the Military? Attending a JC or University? It doesn't matter, we want to see your name up there. Please scan the QR Code posted on the banner and fill out your information. You can screenshot your acceptance letters from colleges and email Ms. Applebach. All college acceptances must be verified before a banner is put up.

CAPS AND GOWNS can be picked up during the Senior Luncheon on 5/25/23.

MILLENNIUM SCHOLARSHIP. There is no application for the Millennium Scholarship. After final semester grades are posted in June, our registrar will generate a list of graduates who met all the scholarship requirements and send it to the state. For the most up-to-date and specific information, visit www.nevadatreasurer.gov. For those who do qualify for this scholarship, students historically would get a letter in mid-late July (right before school fees are due) asking whether a student will accept the scholarship. Students have six years to use the funds at Nevada schools, so we recommend students accept Millennium Scholarship regardless of their post-high-school plans!

ORDER FINAL TRANSCRIPT FOR YOUR COLLEGE OF CHOICE. All colleges, including UNR and TMCC, require a final, official transcript to be sent. These are NOT sent automatically; you must order them. Please watch TEAMS and the announcements to know which date Student Accounting assigns for final transcripts. If you order PRIOR to that date, your 8th semester and final grades with your graduation date will not be included. Typically, in the past the date to order your final transcript is mid-July. Looking for a job?

Since this is our last Grizzly Growl of the year, I wish you all a strong finish to the school year and a relaxing fun-filled summer. See you in the fall!

Library News By Sharon Black, M.A. Librarian, <u>sblack@washoeschools.net</u>

Greetings from the library!

I can't believe we are one month away from the finish line. It's been a great year! I wanted to let you know about a few things before we all sign off for the summer.

End of Year - Any school materials checked out for the school are due back at the end of finals. Please check in with your teens to make sure they've returned everything – textbooks, laptops and library books. Thank you!

Raffles - At the end of May, we will be drawing our final raffle for The Big Read this year. Your student can win \$50 just by letting us know what s/he is reading! Questions on how to enter? Stop by the library.

Puzzles – We always have a puzzle going in the library. It's put together by many hands and when it's done, a new one comes out. If you happen to have puzzles sitting around that you've already completed, please consider donating them to the library. We would be grateful!

Travel – 51 of us spent 10 days in Europe this past spring break and had an amazing time. Some pictures can be found on Instagram under **#galenatravels**. Our next trip will be in March of 2024. If interested, please see me about getting on the waiting list. We will register our trip for March of 2025 THIS COMING SEPTEMBER. Watch this space and the Galena parents page on Facebook for that registration date.

As always, never hesitate to reach out if you have any questions. We're here to help!

Cheers,

Ms. Black

Athletic News

NEW PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ATHLETES FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR The

NIAA Board of Controls will begin the process to change the duration of how long an athlete's physical is good from every other year to every year at the June 13-14 Board of Controls Meeting. This change is very likely to be approved for the 2023-2024 school year. Athletes will then be required to have a physical every year. They will not be eligible to practice or participate in competitions once their physical has expired until an updated physical has been received by the school.

NIAA UPDATED PHYSICAL FORM The NIAA has updated the physical forms that will be required for **ALL** athletes to participate in sports for the 2023-2024 school year. These forms can be found on the Galena Webpage under the Athletics tab <u>NIAA Physical Forms - English</u> and <u>NIAA Physical Forms - Spanish</u>. All athletes will need either their current physical or an updated physical completed on these forms. You will need to upload page 5 of the completed Preparticipation Physical Evaluation form titled "Medical Eligibility Form" in Aktivate when you register your athlete for sports.

Aktivate has been opened for the 2023-2024 school year. Please make sure to choose the 2023-2024 school year when registering your athlete for sports for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year.

If you have any questions, please contact Julie Schultz at <u>Jschultz@washoeschools.net</u>



Class of 2023: Graduation Information

Attention Seniors: Caps and gowns, and all graduation tickets will be distributed during the Senior Lunch on May 25th. Please scan the QR code to request tickets and parking passes.





Class of 2024: Schedule Your Senior Pictures Congratulations Class Of 2024!

Prestige Photography has been chosen as your official senior photographer! Senior year is full of special moments. Our professional photographers will tell your story with background, poses and creative lighting designed to let your personality shine!



Come prepared! Get tips and ideas at: prestigeportraits.com

Schedule your appointment early!

To schedule your senior photography appointment, please visit our website: prestigeportraits.com and click on "Find A Studio Near You." For questions, please contact us at byarea@lifetouch.com or by phone 1-877-825-7922.



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vaguilar@lifetouch.com will handle all questions regarding underclassmen fall photos

mkawato@lifetouch.com will handle all senior portrait questions and scheduling concerns

Please allow 24-48 business hours for response time – parents will be referred to either of these contacts with their concerns rather than a phone number.

Galena Calendar of Events

The Galena Calendar of Events is taken from the <u>RSchoolToday Calendar</u> that can be found on the bottom on the Galena High School Website. Please check often as athletics and events can be canceled or rescheduled at any time. The <u>2023-2024 Balanced Calendar</u> is now available online.

May 1st -11th AP Testing	5th Teacher Appreciation Lunch	17th PTO Meeting (5:30pm)
23th Senior Stem Night	25th Senior Assembly	25th Senior Lunch/Senior Sunset
29th Memorial Day	May 30 Senior Awards Night	

June 9th-14th Finals	June 14th Last Day of School	June 17h Graduation

Looking Ahead to 2023-2024	Aug 14th 1st Day of School	Fall ID & Photos: 8/24 and 8/25 @ Galena
Oct 2nd-6th Fall Break	Nov 22nd-24th Thanksgiving Break	Dec 22nd -Jan 8th Winter Break
March 25th-April 5th Spring Break	June 7th Last Day of School!	



THANK YOU FOR BECOMING A FIVE STAR BOOSTER MEMBER! (2022-2023 School Year)

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Booster Members \$60+	Derryman, Gina & Phil	Jenkins, Donya & Chad	Rockwell, Katie & Nate
Anderson, Derah & Sam	DiNapoli, Julie & Jason Fairman	Kermode, Travis	Sharron, Mariel & Anthony
Bellin, Lynette	Dowling, Kristeena & John	Klitzke, Bryn & Greg	Sipalia, Stacy & James
Benefiel, Stacy & Brent Cordell	Erwin, Sally & Rob	LaFountain, Claudia & Dan	Sommers, Sarah & Ryan
Bogart, Erin & Dave	Espinosa, Daniele & Shawn	Landon, Amy & Scott	Shaw, Sonja & David
Bratcher, Gina & Kendrick	Ferrari, Daniela & Michael	Larsen, Jenny & Kenny	Steele, Alisanne & Jonathan
Bronander, Lisa & Kirt	Fincher, Debbie & George	Lomoljo, Don & Karina	Talonen, Stacey
Bruntz, Tracy & Lance	Fraser, Cindy & Dave	Macy, Amy	Taylor, Katania & Jeff
Burnett, Joulene & Scott	Frederito, Jenny & Gabe	Mcbride, Maureen	Tullgren, Julie & David
Campbell, Stephanie & Scott	Fridland, Valerie & Craig Denney	McLean, Kimberly & Jason	Turri, Michelle & John
Canty, Gina & Sean	Garrett, Courtney	Mee, Margo & Jay	Walton, Sarah & Dan
Capel, Jenny & Steve	Goodman, Sharon & Andres	Murray, Bonnie & Clay	Watson, Shelly & Chadd
Carpenter, Emilie & Brad	Gravelle, Tracy & Benl	Neighbors, Tina & Steve	Wilde, Brooke
Cartwright, Gabriella	Grayson, Crystal & james	Nelson, Bret	Wittler, Aimee
Cason, Tracy & Brian	Guo, Yan & Jian Chen	Nobis, Julie & Christian	Williams, Tammy & Richard
Champlin, Betsy & Chris	Heister, Warren	Novotak, Dianna & Andrew	Wolforst, Cherri
Chedwick, Anni & Greg	Hertz, Warren	Nyborg, Angie & Brock	Young, Kendal & Quinn
Cole, Heather	Hornback, Jennifer & Todd	Obert, Kelly	Quilici, Trish
Cummins, Aimee & Rich	Hubbell, Catherine & David	Phinney, Cody & Jason	
Czyz, Cheryl & Chris	Hull, Christine & William	Pickett, Molly & James	
Damon, Mindy & Josh	Janes, Megan	Revels, Angie & Patrick	
Bronze Members \$110+	Folgner, Jen & Kurt	Moreno, Debbie & Mark	Rittenhouse, Kristin & Duke
Aker, Alison & Peder	Greene, Wendy & Michael	Muff, Janet & Dan	Simmons, Michelle & Kevin
Buhrmann, Nikki & Dan	Griffin, Kara & Fritz	Nugent, Tricia & Geoff	Solaro, Megan & Dave
Cardinallli, Kate & Tony	Hansen, Kerri	Olsen, Alison & Jon	Spiers, Megan & Ryan
Comte, Aimee & Mark	Heffernan, Thomas	Owen-Combs, Carol & Marcus	Stark, Carrie & Jim
Conway, April	Holback, Mandy & Cory	Paugh, Andrea	Venis, Rebecca
Derifield, Becky & Shawn	Imse, Angie & Dave	Pierce, Pam	Vinson, Robert & Lin Pruett
Dixon, Yvonne	Kaululaau, Allison & Kika	Primka, Melissa & Jim	Yeung, Erin & Benjamin
Dye, Cindy & Sharon	Kayl, Sherry & Virgil	Ramos, Kim & Garyn	Zimmerman, Hailie
Doubinkine, Rachelle & Alex	McCaskill, Karen & Jeff	Rasmussen, Denice	
Duguid, Rebecca & John	Miller, Carrie & Mark	Renner, Carolyn & Tim	
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Booster Members (Continued)

Gold Members \$210+	Elgin, Blair & Brad	Oehlert, Megan & Michael	Talafuse, Tiffany & Steve
Albertson, Naomi & Tim	Gonda, Rebecca Jeremy	Schmauder, Theresa & William	Thomas, Kate & Derek
Angella, Amy & Peter	Larson-Brock, Jana	Shapiro, Celeste & Alan	Wohletz, Lori & Leonard
Bell, Dorothy & David	Lenon, Tanya & Ron	Smith, Jill & Rob	Zankowski, Madison & Corey
Benoy, Kari & Greg	McGinnes, Renee	Smith, Nicolette & Matt	
Clark, Shelly & Scott	Morrow, Libby & Jeff	Sohl, Lynda & Jim	
Durrer, Laura & Dan	Myers, David	Sullivan, Kris & Tom	

Platinum Members \$360+	Cuddy, Debra & Ryan	Karam, Shannon & Tony	Peterson, Steph & Jay
Belosic, Erin	Dolan, Carolyn & Chris	Kinne, Kristine & Paul	Rager, Janna & Matt
Butti- Franklin, Morgan & Colin	Foster, Heidi & Jeff	Kobs, Nicole & John	Rapisura, Alma & Michael
Christy, Michelle & Scott	Green, Teri & Robert	Lund, Alicia & Kenneth	WIlson, Susan & Paul
Clark, Dolly & Rob	Heide, Cynamon & Aaron	Martinez, Patrick	Winchester, Heather & Bill
Crecelius, Diane & Ron	Jukes, Constance	McKenzie, Colette & Brien	