COMMUNITY CLASSES TO BE OFFERED AT GCS CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER

The new Grant County Schools Career and Technology Center is interested in determining community interest for classes that may be provided at its new facility. Possible courses include various welding, automotive and computer classes, OSHA, Medicaid Nurse Aide, Electricity, Cake Baking & Decorating, Ceramics, Painting, certain Ag classes, and more. (A complete list, together with each respective fee, is available via the Grant County Schools website: http://www.grant.kyschools.us/CTCCommunityOfferings.aspx)

Individuals who think they may be interested in taking one or more of the courses are asked to complete the interest survey which is available at the same web address. The survey will help the Center determine what classes should be offered (and when) and will provide contact information to allow participants to receive updates about future classes. In order to proceed with the development of classes in a timely manner, it is requested that the survey be completed by February 1, 2012.

Grant County parents and others receiving this newsletter are asked to please share this information with any other community members who may be interested. Your support is appreciated.

JV & Varsity Cheerleaders!

Both the JV and Varsity team competed in the 8th region KAPOS competition at Owen County High School this weekend. Both teams placed second in their division.

JV competed with six girls which is an accomplishment in itself. They beat two teams to come in second. Both of them had more girls, one of them had almost 20!!!

Varsity went up against the home team. They dropped one stunt but other than that performed an amazing routine packed with difficulty. Unfortunately, the judges weren't looking for difficulty that day. It was a nail biter, but in the end they placed Owen first and Grant as runner up.

As I told the girls, there is no defense in cheerleading and unfortunately the judges don't see how much work goes into one day. Although they didn't bring home the trophy they had their hearts set on, I have told them how proud I am of them for what they accomplished. (They lost Darian Kelly to a knee injury on Monday night and we put an alternate in and changed the routine on Tuesday.) Even with their obstacles, somehow they pulled it off!

Thank you to everyone that came out on Saturday to cheer them on. Our crowd did NOT disappoint. The girls will compete again at Bourbon County High School on January 28th.

Standards-Based Grading Meeting Rescheduled

The standards-based grading meeting with parents of honors Biology and English students has been rescheduled for Thursday, February 2, 6:00 p.m., in the GCHS auditorium.

ATTENTION: ALL MALE STUDENTS!

For all male students: You MUST register for Selective Service within 30 days before or after your 18th birthday. You may not apply for financial aid if you have not done so. To register, either go to your local post office or register online at www.sss.gov.
Parents / Guardians: If you have changed your residence address, any of your phone numbers, or your email address, please notify Mrs. Amy Caudill, Guidance Secretary at (859) 824-9739 so she can correct the records on your child.

Scholarship information, College information and Open Houses will be posted as information is received and only “new” information will be listed here each week but visit the school website at www.grant.kyschools.us or call the admissions office for additional information. You may also contact Theresa Herald, Senior Counselor, for more information at theresa.herald@grant.kyschools.us.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

SCHOLARSHIPS JANUARY, 2012


USDA 1890 SCHOLARS: Full Tuition at KY State University. Must be planning to have a career in agriculture, natural resources science, and technology. Application available in the guidance office. Deadline: February 1, 2012.

UK ATHLETIC TRAINER: Must have a 2.5 GPA or higher and interested in becoming a student-athlete trainer at the University of Kentucky. Applications available in the guidance office. Deadline: February 3, 2012.

BILL SIMPKINS SOCCER SCHOLARSHIP: $1,000.00 (one male, one female). Must have participated in GCHS varsity soccer for a minimum of two seasons. Applications available in the guidance office. Deadline: February 15, 2012.


KFC COLONEL’S SCHOLARS: Up to $20,000.00. To qualify, graduating high school seniors must have a 2.75 minimum GPA, enroll in a public college/university within their state of legal residence, plan to pursue a bachelor’s degree, be a US citizen or permanent resident, and demonstrate financial need. Log onto www.kvcscholars.org to apply. Deadline: December 1, 2011-February 8, 2012.

PNC/KHSAA SWEET 16 SCHOLARSHIP: $1,000.00. Open to any senior student-athlete in KY that participates in any KHSAA sanctioned sport (including cheer). Based on excellence in Academic Achievement, Leadership, and school and community service. Applications available in the guidance office. Deadline: February 24, 2012.

KY FARM BUREAU EDUCATION FOUNDATION: Various scholarships at various levels. Must have either a minimum 3.5 GPA or a minimum 23 ACT score, be the child of a KY Farm Bureau member, and various other requirements. Applications available in the guidance office. Deadline: February 28, 2012.

BUICK ACHIEVERS: Amounts vary. Must be planning to enroll full time at four-year college or university in 2012-13 and plan to major in a field of study that focuses on engineering, technology, design or business, with an interest in the automotive industry. Visit www.buickachievers.com for more information. Deadline: February 29, 2012.
CIVIL ENGINEERING: $5,300.00/semester. Students interested in pursuing a bachelor’s degree in civil engineering at WKU, U of L, or UK. Must have a composite ACT score of 24 or higher and maintain a GPA of 2.5 while in college. Students are expected to work for the KY Transportation Cabinet upon graduation for each year they received a stipend. Applications available in the guidance office or www.transportation.ky.gov/Education/Pages/Scholarships.aspx. Deadline: March 1, 2012.

CIVIL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY: $2,500.00/semester. Students interested in pursuing an associate’s degree in civil engineering technology at Big Sandy CTC or Blue Grass CTC. Students must meet the entrance qualifications for the college and maintain a GPA of 2.5. Students are expected to work for the KY Transportation Cabinet upon graduation for each year they received a stipend. Applications available in the guidance office or www.transportation.ky.gov/Education/Pages/Scholarships.aspx. Deadline: March 1, 2012.

GEORGE CRAFTON MEMORIAL: $1,000.00. Student must be enrolled to attend college and intending to major in the fields of agriculture or conservation of natural resources. Applications available in the guidance office. Deadline: March 1, 2012.

FERGUS HANSON MEMORIAL: Students must enrolled in allied healthcare-related training programs. (Students pursuing dentistry, veterinary, or medical doctor careers are not eligible.) Visit www.LexingtonClinicFoundation.org for more information and application. Deadline: March 9, 2012.

KY SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS: $1,000.00/yr. for 4 years. Students who are interested in pursuing a degree in engineering at an ABET-EAC accredited college. Must maintain a 3.0 GPA in order to receive from year to year. Applications available in the guidance office or at http://kspenky.org/. Deadline: March 18, 2012.

JAMES F. BERTSCH MEMORIAL: $2,500.00 to Thomas More College. Student must complete the FAFSA, have a 3.0 GPA or above, participate in school extracurricular activities, and demonstrate leadership qualities as well as volunteerism in his or her community. Special consideration will be given to students with an interest and potential in math or physics. Applications available in the guidance office. Deadline: March 19, 2012.

HOXWORTH: $1,000.00. Candidates should excel in academics, school-related activities and community service activities, with a specific emphasis on involvement in the community blood program. Must have a minimum GPA of 2.5. Application available at www.hoxworth.org/highschool. Deadline: March 23, 2012.


DISCOVER COLLEGES: $2,500.00. Log onto www.discovercolleges.com to request information about private colleges and automatically be entered in the scholarship drawing.

THE CHRISTIAN CONNECTOR, INC.: $2,500.00. Log onto www.christianconnector.com to request information about Christian colleges and automatically be entered in the scholarship drawing.

VARIOUS SCHOOL SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIPS ALSO AVAILABLE: See individual school applications, websites, and guidance office for deadlines and other information.

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JUNIOR PARENTS ~ SAVE THE DATE!

On March 6, 2012 all GCHS Juniors will be traveling to NKU to take the ACT. GCHS will open the cafeteria at 6:45 am to provide a catered breakfast for all juniors. Juniors will be leaving for NKU at 7:30 am. Students will return to GCHS before 2:55 pm. If you child currently rides a school bus to school, please provide alternate transportation for your child on this date.

GCHS will host a parent meeting to discuss final details for the ACT on January 24, 2012 at 6:00 pm in the auditorium.

Also visit the Counselor’s webpage for all current scholarship and additional information at http://www.grant.kyschools.us/GCHSSStudentOpportunities.aspx
ATTENTION PARENTS / GUARDIANS!

Distracted driving—from texting behind the wheel to turning around to chat with friends in the backseat—can lead to deadly consequences, particularly for teens. Now your students can save lives and change attitudes by entering our Drive2Life Contest.

Challenge your students in grades 6–12 to create an exciting, innovative storyboard or script for a memorable Public Service Announcement that educates others about distracted driving. The grand-prize winner receives $1,000 and will embark on a trip to New York City, where a professional film crew will transform the student’s vision into a 30–second commercial! Four runners-up each will receive $500.

On our Drive2Life site, you’ll also find lifesaving and skill-building resources tied to National Standards, including:

- A distracted driving checklist/poll
- Role-playing and discussion activities
- A reproducible worksheet for creating a compelling storyboard

VISIT NOW Help your students and their peers keep their hands on the wheel, and their eyes and minds on the road.

Contest deadline: February 29, 2012

Sincerely,
The National Road Safety Foundation and Scholastic Inc.

CONGRATULATIONS JUSTIN SMITH!

Justin has been named a semifinalist for the National Trumpet Competition, held in Washington D.C.! Hundreds auditioned, and Justin was one of 30 to advance to the semifinals round. He will represent Grant County High School in our nation’s capital in March! Good Luck, Justin and Congratulations on the HUGE Honor!!!!

Why does this 12-ton ship float?
How can a plant survive in just water?
These and many other questions will be answered at the 8th Annual GCMS Science & Career Fair!

Come join us:
January 26, 2012 / 5–7 pm
SAVE THE DATE ~ January 21st!!

Grant County 8th Grade Mattress Sale

If you are going to be in need of a new mattress set and you can wait, we will be holding a Mattress Sale next January 21st!! Know anyone else who may be in need of a Mattress Set next year, please pass along this information!!! If you can wait for our fundraiser, you will get a great deal AND help support our 8th grade trip!!

Higher Quality for the Price than a Retail Store!!

*20 DIFFERENT STYLES OF BRAND NEW MATTRESS SETS FROM SOUTHERLAND AND RESTONIC ALL WITH 100% NON-PRORATED WARRANTIES!!
*MARKED DOWN 30% TO 60% OFF RETAIL STORE PRICING
*INCLUDING 7 TIME WINNER OF CONSUMER DIGEST BEST BUY MATTRESS SETS
*PRICES STARTING @ $199 AND UP
http://www.southerlandsleep.com/about.html
www.customfundraisingsolutions.com

GREAT SAVINGS FOR OUR COMMUNITY WHILE SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL. PROCEEDS GOES TO SUPPORT THE 8th GRADE TRIP ~ PLEASE TELL EVERYONE YOU KNOW!!

Any questions please contact Jim Malone cfsofky@gmail.com

SPORTS SCHEDULE

Friday, January 20
5:00PM Boys Junior Varsity Basketball Simon Kenton High School Away
5:00PM Boys Freshman Basketball Simon Kenton High School Away
7:30PM Boys Varsity Basketball Simon Kenton High School Away

Saturday, January 21
TBA Boys Varsity Wrestling Franklin County High School Capitol City Classic Away
11:00AM Boys Freshman Basketball Campbell County High School Home
7:30PM Girls Varsity Basketball Bellevue High School Away

SPORTS NEWS

Coaches vs. Cancer Games Jan 23rd at Williamstown!
This is a competition between the schools. Let’s show Williamstown we dominate in raising money for Relay for Life!!!
5pm-Freshman; 6pm JV & 7:30 V
Good Luck Lady Braves!!!