

GLASSBORO HIGH SCHOOL

October Report

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ADMINISTRATION:

- Staff Evaluations (September)

Tenured Certified Staff	0	
Non-Tenured Certified Staff	0	
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- Walk Through Evaluations (September) 72

- Committee Meetings

9.1.16 Construction Mtg.

9.6.16 ScIP Mtg.

9.7.16 Faculty Mtg.

9.13.16 Department Meetings

9.14.16 CDS Forms Review Mtg.

9.19.16 Diversity Comm. Mtg.

9.19.16 Athletic Hall of Fame Mtg.

9.20.16 Faculty Mtg.

9.21.16 Construction Mtg.

9.21.16 Black Cultures Club Mtg.

9.22.16 Administrative Council Mtg.

9.23 & 9.30.16 GHS Admin. Mtg.

9.26.16 Science/Tech Curr. Mtg.

9.28.16 IR&S Mtg.

9.28.16 BOE Mtg.

9.29.16 PLC Meetings

- PTO Meetings

None

Professional Development

9.6.16 All Staff In-Service

9.7.16 Opiate Training

INSTRUCTION / STUDENT NOTES:

Guidance

The Guidance Department made plans and organized the new format for 8th grade Orientation. The counselors here at GHS worked closely with Mr. Davenport from GIS to make this a success.

School Days in Month: 19

Total number of Parent Contacts- By Phone: 91

By Email: 79

Parent sessions: 15

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Total Number of Consultations with Teachers, Administrators and Child Study Team Members:
78

Total Number of Conferences with Teachers, Administrators and Child Study Team Members:
48

Total Number of Contacts with outside Services, Agencies, School: 12

Meetings Attended: I&RS, SLT, PLC GPCPA, Rachel's Challenge, Rowan Mentor, PARCC, Diversity Training

Trainings Attended:
Attended ACT Training

Additional Activities:

Met with attendance students

Started preparing for 8th grade Orientation

Meeting with students for schedule conflicts

ASVAB Test

Freshmen Orientation

Senior Parent Night/Financial Aid Night

Back to School Night

Rowan Mentoring Program

Sent to two applications to the Rowan JUMP Medical Program

FOR Club meeting

Attended District In-service

Attended Opiate Training

Advertised RCGC Open House

Student Sessions

R. Boyd

Total 105

12th – 41

11th- 16

10th- 19

9th- 29

College Counseling- 83

M. Mattioli

Total- 108

12th – 40

11th -26

10th -24

9th -18

College Counseling- 94

M. Ragozzino

Total 104

12th- 37

11th- 25

10th- 24

9th- 18

College Counseling- 92

Math/Science

GHS STEM teachers are moving forward and looking to incorporate PLTW for grade 8. We are purchasing Vex Robotics for the GIS STEM and Project Engineering classes.

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Ms. Keating is meeting with Rowan regarding Open House.

GHS Graduation Status:

We began the year with thirteen students not cleared in math to graduate. After taking the September ASVAB we now have ten. Last year at this time we had twenty-two! Students will be taking the PSATs on 10/19.

Engineering:

Engineering Club competed in the Zumo Kit (robotics) competition last Friday, and is in preparation to compete in Pumpkin Chunkin competition (also at Rowan) on the 28th.

Business

English/Social Studies

Team teaching in Language Arts II Mrs. Morrison, Donnell and Sapphire have established tiered groups to differentiate instruction. Students are using Khan academy and COLlegeboard.com to prepare for the PSAT and Collegeboard.com. Students also completed a short story unit.

Ms. Baldissero's English I and Honors English I read a variety of creation stories and applied the 15 Greek Concepts to discover patterns in word usage, tone, and author's voice. The 15 Greek Concepts also served as a foundation for students to discover character development throughout a text. Honors students began to study the 15 Greek Concepts and completed Creation Presentations on one of the 12 Olympian Gods or Goddesses. Both classes finished out the month by beginning to study Joseph Campbell's monomythic Journey of the Hero. Both classes read myths in preparation for a guest speaker, Officer Rawles who will discuss his Journey of the Hero in Afghanistan with the students in preparation to read *The Odyssey*.

Mrs. Baldissero's Test Prep Class practiced reading comprehension skills by reading and answering questions to a Newsela article individually, then as a group conduct a close read focused on word choice and author's tone. The students used context clues to guess the definition of words based on context clues and played interactive games. Students also practiced skills for the ASVAB.

Both Honors and CP English III students with Mrs. Hartman and Miss Faulkner have been reading articles and watching TED talks on the topic of education. They created slideshow presentations and identified main ideas and textual support in preparation for writing an informative essay on the topic of how schools should prepare students for the 21st Century. Students also have continued vocabulary study and grammar practice for the upcoming PSAT.

Students Miss Ciocco's US History II classes began the year with a pre-assessment of US I material. After briefly reviewing World War I, we moved right on to the "Roaring 20's", where students analyzed primary source documents focusing on significant political and cultural events such as the Harlem Renaissance, the passage of the 19th Amendment which granted women the right to vote, prohibition, and fashion/fads of the time. As a class, we also analyzed *The Great Gatsby*, as it is a perfect representation of the 1920's from the music, to the fashion, to the dialogue spoken throughout. Students were then able to apply what they had learned about the

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1920's by creating their own 1920's magazine. Each student created their own magazine, complete with their own creative magazine title, advertisements, articles, reviews, and photographs that were relevant to life in the 1920's.

In psychology Mr. Dapp's classes covered contemporary approaches to psychology, research in psychology, and early childhood development. As part of the process to train students in professional psychology, students have completed research projects requiring them to develop a psychological survey to study a behavior within Glassboro High School and provide an in-depth analysis about the factors that may explain the behavior. As well, students were provided samples of WISC-IV testing protocols to learn about how professional psychologists assess clients.

Mr. Dapp's U.S. History I covered colonization, the French and Indian War, The American Revolution, and topics related to the build-up of the Civil War. In order to better understand the American Revolution, students embarked on a research project where they were asked to provide in-depth research about a key figure and a battle of the Revolutionary War. Students worked in groups to complete PowerPoint presentations to present their research.

Music, Arts, and World Language

French

Madame is teaching French 3 Honors and French 1 College Prep currently. Students in the honors level are creating skits about traveling that include review topics from their first 2 years of French. French 1 students are learning beginning communications vocabulary and will also be creating in-class skits.

Sept. 21st: French Club had an initial sign up meeting on Sept. 21st where officers of the club were introduced and plans for the year's activities were presented.

Sept. 22nd: Back to School Night was well attended. An information meeting for parents of French students going to **Quebec** was held following Back to School Night. The deadline for signups was Sept. 30th. There are 9 students who will be traveling with Madame to Quebec, Canada in the spring.

Sept. 28th, 29th, and 30th: Madame assisted the new Choir teacher, Ms. Neglia, by being a judge at Glassboro Idol auditions for three days.

Sept. 30th: Madame assisted the Renaissance Advisors with checking in students at the Pep Rally.

Immersion Lunch: On Tuesdays Madame has begun an immersion lunch for any students interested in eating lunch while only being able to use French. A few students have accepted the challenge.

Mentoring: Madame has been mentoring Ms. Jaime Cook, the long-term substitute for Ms. Abrams. We touch base daily to help Ms. Cook adjust to GHS, Power School, lesson plan procedures etc.

Dual College Credit Coordination: Madame has been in communication with the world language teachers and Early Childhood Education teacher about dual credit with CCC for this year. Teachers were given brochures to share with students. Application materials will go out to

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students in late October. A meeting with Martine Howard from Camden County College was held on Sept. 29th at GHS.

Grant Writing PLC: Madame continues to serve on the grant writing PLC at GHS. We met on Sept. 29th and made some goals for this year.

Art

Student work from Graphic Design 2 can be viewed on: <http://at.bulb.re/hMc>

Our class discussions/assignments can be viewed at: <http://at.bulb.re/hNP>

Students in Graphic Design 2 have been creating a “Graffiti Wall” in Photoshop. They modeled their walls after an international street artist of their choice. They then chose a social issue (equality, environment, etc.) for a theme and created their own personal tag name.

On Tues. Oct. 10th Graphic Design 2 will participate in a photoshoot on the stage in the style of artist, Robert Longo. They will also use the photos to complete a project after the work of artist, Kara Walker.

Art Intro. students completed large scale group abstract paintings. We had a small competition with the paintings and will be displaying them in the art room hallway.

Visioneers Art Club has begun and officers have been elected.

President: Pariti Sutaria

Vice President: Claire Torowus

Publicist's: Harleigh Burke & Taylor Moore

Secretary: Rabia Danyro

On Oct. 19th Ms. Clements' will be traveling to New Jersey Law Center to participate in a workshop for teachers that will lead students in the Mock Trial Sketch Artists' Competition.

Band

GHS Concert Band Program and Small Ensembles

The band program at GHS will once again be offer students many varied opportunities to perform in and out of the school. Visits to the senior center and assisted living homes are being planned. Preparations for the band concerts and Black History Celebration are being made as well.

GHS Marching Band

The Marching Band participated in the Delsea Regional HS Cavalcade of Bands on October 1st. In addition to the varsity football games, the marching band will be participating at several community events in Glassboro, including Unity Day, the ribbon cutting for the new town square and the tree lighting ceremony. They will also be participating in parades in Glasboro, Pitman, Salem, Cape May, Alloway and Haddon Township. On November 5th, the marching band will participate in the Vineland HS Cavalcade of Bands festival.

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The Marching Band is working on arrangements to perform for the Bowe School band students this fall as a part of its recruiting and outreach activities. The band hopes perform its field show in the gymnasium.

Jazz Ensembles

The Jazz Ensemble is busy rehearsing in the mornings in preparations for a performance at the Glassboro Idol singing competition . The band will once again provide musical entertainment during the event. The ensemble is also making plans to perform at Rowan University and several Cavalcade of Bands sponsored HS Jazz Festivals.

OPERATIONS: None

Personnel: GHS needs to hire a Spanish teacher and a Cheerleading Coach.

FACILITIES:

GHS secretaries and administrators are still displaced and working from the library.

NURSE: Attached

COMMUNITY:

9.6.16 9th Grade Orientation

9.19.16 Athletic Hall of Fame Meeting

9.22.16 Senior Parent Night

9.22.16 Back to School Night

9.27.16 Rotary Club Meeting honoring RYLA students

9.28.16 Guest Speaker at Rowan University course with Dr. MaryBeth Walpole

9.30.16 Renaissance Celebration

ATHLETICS:

Recommend approval of new club (Visioneer's Art Club) advisor- Caitlyn Clements.

Currently teachers are teaching:

9th grade- teaching units on weight and fitness training

11th grade- Completing Archery unit

12th grade- Currently in health classes finishing up units on First Aid and CPR certification training.

Vacant positions- boys tennis (hc), Middle school wrestling (HC)

Mr. Cusack needs to have access to surveillance video tape to do my job effectively.

Buses continue to be late picking up teams for away athletic events and practices.

Tennis courts- will they be leased to the borough, so they can have the repairs made? When will the courts be repaired so they can be used for physical education classes and by tennis teams?

Home stadium bleachers still do not have proper railings installed as per Utica Insurance.

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Visitors bleachers need riser boards to bring them up to code as per Utica Insurance.

JV baseball infield condition at Bowe School is still in hazardous condition, meeting was cancelled because of an emergency at one of the district schools. Will it be rescheduled?

Track surface continues to break down. Cracks are getting larger and the top coating is wearing away.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

10.13.16 GHS Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, 5:30PM, Masso's

10.15.16 Unity Day – GHS will have a table

10.19.16 PSAT's at GHS

10.20.16 Glassboro Idol – GHS Auditorium, 7PM

10.21.16 Parent Conferences – GHS Gym – Delayed Opening – 7:45-9:30AM

10.25.16 National Honor Society Induction Ceremony

