

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT  
Glassboro High School  
September, 2014  
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**ATHLETICS**

All Fall sports are underway.

**ACTIVITIES**

All club and class advisors have been asked to submit meeting schedules for after school and check in times for unit lunch. A master list for student/staff use is being developed by Mr. Cusack.

**HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

The PE teachers will be able to utilize the new whiteboards that were installed in the gym for their lessons.

**PERSONNEL**

Ms. Leonor Thomas, our new Vocal Music teacher is not able to start at GHS until 9.24.14, as PennsGrove is holding her to her contract. Currently GHS is working on a certification issue with our new social studies teacher, Megan Jones. We are also waiting for Mr. Shire to return from Family Leave so he can resume his duties as a security guard here at GHS. Additionally, we are waiting for Mr. James Amicone's fingerprints to clear so that he will be able to start at GHS as our new security guard.

**TRANSPORTATION**

No issues to report.

**FACILITIES**

Maintenance is installing a sink donated by the Drama program to be used for painting sets.

White boards were installed in the Gym and in several classrooms over the summer.

✓ The maintenance crew did an excellent job in preparing the building for our opening.

## TECHNOLOGY

The GHS staff continues to request the use of Google Docs for student and staff file sharing. The technology department has offered the implementation of Microsoft 365 as a compromise. Most staff members are not pleased with this solution.

## MISCELLANEOUS

GHS has begun the implementation of Unit Lunch. The students and staff seem to be adjusting well to the new schedule.

GHS recently successfully hosted the Dyslexia Conference and the Gloucester County Superintendents Meeting.

## MATH/SCIENCE DEPARTMENTS

We are continuing to work with the Garden State Education Group on STEM funding. <http://www.gsegroup.org/>. We did not receive the grant in April but the GSEG is reapplying in the fall. They also want us to reach out and mentor other districts in the STEM field.

We visited ComTec Systems Inc. from Vineland in July on STEM training <http://www.comtecusa.net/> and training the staff and the students in computer hardware and networking during the 2014-2015 school year through the Engineering Club after school.

Mrs. Keating went to the Maker Studio in July for training on the 3D printer. She is anxious to take the STEM students as well.

## GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

The ninth grade/new student orientation that was held in August went well. The guidance department was busy over the summer helping to create and adjust the GHS Master schedule.

## BUSINESS/TECHNOLOGY/FCS DEPARTMENTS

The Seeds to Success Farm-stand Project was a huge success this summer. It was open for 5 weeks over the summer through the months of July and August. Eight Glassboro High School students participated and were employees of the Farm-stand. This project provides year-round, in-school business training and life skills education with a paid summer work experience. Seeds to Success extends beyond workforce preparation. The Farm-stand is a unique example of economic development serving the community by bringing new business and affordable, nutritious, New Jersey grown foods to the residents, while at the same time, supporting local farmers.

## WORLD LANGUAGE/MUSIC/ART DEPARTMENTS

Foreign Exchange Club: This spring, students from Glassboro will be hosting their Spanish friends from colegio San Viator. The dates are 3/28 to 4/12. Ms. Yáñez and Mr. Prieto, her counterpart in Spain, continue to have Skype sessions to discuss new ideas for the upcoming hosting experience.

### Spanish

Students taking Spanish this semester (CP 2 and Honors 4) have begun by reviewing previous vocabulary, questions, and answers. CP 2 students' first unit will be The Body, and Honors 4 students will be covering Phone Conversations.

Ms. Yáñez attended the Dyslexia conference offered in August here at GHS.

Ms. Yáñez and Ms. Ortiz, Spanish teacher at Bowe School, will continue to have pen pals between their students. They are also exploring the possibility of having our honors students visit Bowe students. In the past this hasn't been possible due to scheduling, but perhaps now with Unit Lunch, there are more possibilities of our students teaching each other.

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### Italian

On September 20 Italian students and the Italian Club will participate in the Saint Anthony Festival in Glassboro. Students will be marching in the parade from St Anthony club to Rowan Boulevard. They will be dressed in traditional Italian garb and performing a few of Folk Italian Dances

On Sunday Sept 28, students will be attending the Gloucester County Italian Festival held at Riverwinds in West Deptford. A table will be provided where they can fundraise for the Italian Club. They will assist with children activities such as face paintings and Venetian mask making

In the classroom they will be busy making traditional cookies such as Pizzelle and biscotti and learning Italian children songs to perform to the younger crowds.

### Band

GHS Marching Band students have worked hard over the summer with 4 pre-camp music rehearsals and 10 band camp days. The students dedicated many hours to work on music and marching. They are looking forward to presenting a great show as they perform music from the musical IN THE HEIGHTS. The marching also performed for 9<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents at the August freshman orientation.

### The GHS Marching Band Upcoming Events

- September 20<sup>th</sup> – Pitman Tournament of Bands Competition
- September 28<sup>th</sup> – Woodstown HS Cavalcade of Bands
- October 4<sup>th</sup> – Millville Cavalcade of Bands Festival
- October 11<sup>th</sup> – GHS Homecoming Parade
- October 25<sup>th</sup> – Alloway Halloween Parade
- October 30<sup>th</sup> – Westmont Halloween Parade
- November 29<sup>th</sup> - Pitman Christmas Parade

### Art

This summer Ms. Abrams took a day to begin doing mosaics. Sue Evans and she did mosaics together at Ms. Evans house. Ms. Abrams started collecting materials to smash for the school mosaic.

The National Art Honor Society students will be participating in the Italian Festival this year on September 28. They will be painting faces at the festival.

### ENGLISH/SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENTS

Ms. Evans and Ms. Baldiserro went to see Malala speak in North Jersey over the summer.

BOARD REPORT  
Sept. 10, 2014

1. EDUCATIONAL PLANNING, INSTRUCTION, STUDENTS' ISSUES AND ACTIVITIES

A. ATHLETICS

1. Cheerleading- 16 squad members.
2. Cross Country- 9 participants, 4 girls and 5 boys
3. Field Hockey- 23 participants
4. Football- 45 participants.
5. Boys Soccer- 36 participants - 22 varsity& 14 jv
6. Girls Soccer- 23 participants - Numbers are low and I will be discussing the situation with Dr. Sneathen. Currently, we have 17 varsity players and 6 jv players.
7. Girls Tennis- 12

B. ACTIVITIES

1. Activity bus schedule is starting 9/8 and will depart at 3:45.
2. Recommending Chris Wood as fall fitness club advisor.
3. Reviewing applications for new clubs, recommendation coming soon.

2. PERSONNEL

- A. Athletics- Starting to gather committee for interview process for Boys Middle School Basketball Head Coach.

3. FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION

- A. Athletics buses continue to be late to pick up teams for away games and the buses continue to drop off the teams and return to Glassboro. Another bus is scheduled to pick them up, but it leaves our students at another school without the option of getting on the bus in an emergency and/or storm.
- B. Facilities are ready for the fall season and in excellent condition.

4. BUDGET AND FINANCE

- A. Health & Physical Education department would like to have the 2/3rds teacher reinstated. This position was cut from the budget a few years ago.

5. PUBLIC RELATIONS AND STRATEGIC PLANNING

- A. Question: Is the high school track resurfacing project a part of the bond referendum or is the Intermediate School going to be getting a new track surface installed?

5. MISCELLANEOUS

- A. PE Staff- Currently, staff is pre-testing student's fitness levels.
- B. Health Curriculum- Our curriculum is in compliance with the new CPR/AED education laws as we teach the content to students in their senior year. Students, who wish to be certified, can be, when they pay the \$10 fee.
- C. Health- Teachers who currently teach A/B classes during first block are teaching their health curriculum. (Mr. Enuco- Drivers Education)

Health office log #of days/month

Illness (1a,3a)

First Aid/injury(1a,3a)

Health Information Counseling (1b,2a)

gym excuses

medications (daily and as needed) (2e, 3b)

asthma (rescue inhalers, nebulizers)

Accident reports

infectious exculsion

Sent home

Sent to hospital/Physican

doctors notes

diabetic management (Bloodsugars, insulin, carb counts)

other (student medical emergencies)

Screening (2e)

heights/weights

Blood pressures

hearing

vision

I&RS

CST

Sport Physicals

Screening Referrals

Evaluations and Planning

Individual Health Care Plans

medical 504 plans

I&RS case management

home instruction applications

home instuction returning

new student health record appraisals





Board report- GHS nurse

Substitute plans

bulitin boards

Blood drive

Volunteering/fund raisers/mentoring

Back to School night

Reflection

August Septerr Octobe Noveml Decemb Januar Februa March April May June July