

### **Griswold Public Schools**

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Dear GPS:

Here are today's updates!

# GMS PROMOTION CEREMONY THIS EVENING

ONCE AGAIN, CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL 8TH GRADERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

THANK YOU, GMS FACULTY AND STAFF, FOR A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE!!!!







Griswold Public Schools will be closed to the public for the GMS Promotion Ceremony on 6/16 and for the GHS Graduation Ceremony on 6/18. To learn more, click here.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO GRISWOLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S

**PEGGY HENRY,** 

2020 GPS PARAEDUCATOR OF THE YEAR!!!



HOW DO WE RETRIEVE PERSONAL ITEMS NOW THAT SCHOOL IS OFFICIALLY CLOSED? HOW DO WE RETURN BOOKS, UNIFORMS, AND OTHER SCHOOL-OWNED ITEMS?



We have finalized our plan and dates. To learn more, please click <u>here</u>. It is important to note that you will receive more specific information from the individual schools.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!



TO LEARN ABOUT GOVERNOR
LAMONT'S SUMMER READING
CHALLENGE AND SUMMER
MATH CHALLENGE, PLEASE
CLICK HERE. THERE ARE LINKS
IN THE DOCUMENT ABOUT
EACH CHALLENGE; FOLLOW
THE LINKS!



# GRAB & GO MEALS WILL BE OFFERED THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER ON

Monday, Wednesday & Friday only.
There will be no Grab & Go on Tuesday or
Thursday.

Grab & GO will start at 9:00 am and end at 12:00 noon.

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OF COMMERCE (GNACC) REPRESENTS
GRISWOLD AND OTHER LOCAL
COMMUNITIES.

THE GNACC HAS A JOB BANK SERVICE
THAT IS FREE WHERE EMPLOYERS POST
JOBS AND WHERE JOB SEEKERS,
INCLUDING ELIGIBLE STUDENTS, CAN
LEARN MORE ABOUT EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITIES.

TO LEARN MORE, CLICK HERE.



WE HAVE CREATED A PAGE
WHERE WE HAVE SAVED ALL OF
OUR END-OF-THE-YEAR
AWARDS PROGRAMS.
TO ACCESS THAT PAGE,
CLICK HERE.



Essential Workers on Wheels!

Connecticut's Public Transit Workforce

Attention all GPS in students grades K-5, please consider participating in this poster contest. To learn more about this opportunity, please click here.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT OUR BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Our buildings are closed to the public, and we are not honoring any facilities requests at this time.

While our grounds are open to the public for walks and jogs, groups are prohibited from gathering on campus at any time, for any reason, due to the State of Connecticut Executive Orders. In short, there should be no informal gatherings of groups of individuals (large or small) for gatherings and games. Thank you for your cooperation.

THE CONNECTICUT STATE DEPARTMENT OF **EDUCATION IS OFFERING ON-LINE OPPORTUNITIES** TO SUPPORT FAMILIES DURING THIS SCHOOL CLOSURE PERIOD.



Please click here to learn about these opportunities. Once you arrive on the page, you will have to scroll down to explore the different offerings.

#### Social Services in Griswold





Visit Us: Griswold Youth Center 68 Ashland St. Jewett City griswoldREC.org facebook.com/griswoldrec #loveQURresidents

### **SOCIAL SERVICES RESOURCES**



**UCFS** Healthcare

DIAL 860.376.7040 or UCFS.ORG medical services - women's health dental health - behavioral health school-based health centers - eldercare pharmacy - billing - insurance - mental health - substance use - case management



DIAL 211 or 211CT.ORG food - mental health - youth healthcare - housing - income - substance use transportation utility assistance - crisis - older & elderly assistance

- legal help - re-entry



DIAL 860.425.6611 or TVCCA.ORG Senior Meal on Wheels - family case management services - childcare preschool - employment - training -energy assistance - financial education - housing - section 8 rental assistance - senior nutrition program - meals on wheels - senior volunteer services rental or shelter help - SNAPS

#### HOME HEATING ASSISTANCE CT DDS thru TVCCA: ct.gov/staywarm:

860.425.6681, 860.889.1365 or 211 Project Warm-Up - CART or United Way: 860.464.6012 Salvation Army: 860.889.2329 Clergy Fuel Bank: 860.823.3753

#### PARENT INFO

Health Insurance: accesshealthct.com or 7.855.805.4325 Eveglasses for Children - Lisbon Lion Club on Facebook Local Addiction Support Group - Matt's Mission: 860.917.6348 Drug Free Community Info/Resources: griswoldpride.org Addictive Behavior Smart Recovery - Voluntown YSB: 860.376.2226 Car Seat Check: American Ambulance or L&M Hospital Safe-Kids CT: ctsafekids.org American Job Center: 860.848.5200 TVCCA Family Management: 860.889.1365

ELDERLY TRANSPORT, DISABILITY + **ENERGY ASSISTANCE (TVCCA Walk-In Location)** Griswold Senior Center - 860.376.2604

SAFE FUTURES Services for Victims of

**Domestic Violence:** safefuturesct.org or 860.447.0366

GRISWOLD YOUTH CENTER: 860.376.7026 Afterschool in the School (in GES/GMS) Afterschool Drop In Center (Age: 10& Up) Holiday Helpers Christmas Gifts Seasonal School Supplies Retention Diversion Tutoring Juvenile Review Board Families With Service Needs Board **Town Events & Outreach** Youth Development Read to Grow! Free Books for Kids Wellness / Exercise for All Ages

> **VETERANS SERVICES Griswold** Town Clerk: 860.376.7060 x2 American Legion: 860.436.9986 or ctlegion.org Workforce Development: 860.848.5257

CHILD CARE Little Log School House - 860.376.4975 TVCCA Head Start - 860.889.1365 Care 4 Kids - 800.505.1000 GES Before/Aftercare: Carelot.net

Birth to Three: 800.505.1000

WATERFORD COUNTRY SCHOOL **Outpatient Clinic for Children** Ages 3 to 18 - trauma - mental health behavioral issues 860.886.7500 x310

FOOD ASSISTANCE St. Mary's Food Pantry: 860.376.2044 (2nd/4th Tuesday of the Month 10-11 am & 3-4 pm) Gemma Moran Mobile Food Pantry @ St. Mary's (3rd Wednesday of the Month) Feed the Need w/ Lighthouse Church at GYC (2nd/4th Tuesday 11-1 pm)



IMPORTANT UPDATES REGARDING PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR. GES has moved their registration packet online. To access the packet, please click here.

You can download and complete each form electronically. Then email them back to: <u>jcaviness@griswoldpublicschools.org</u>.

Any additional documents (birth certificate, proofs of residency, drivers license, physical) may also be sent here by scanning or taking a photo.

We understand that getting your child's physical during this time may not be possible. We will still process the registration, but we will need the physical to be done before school starts in August. Please be sure to include your child's name in the subject line of each email sent. This will ensure we can easily keep everyone's packet together.

Thank you so much for your understanding and patience during this time.

#### **School Contact Information**

Although our schools are currently closed to the public during this school closure period, we are very much available and willing to assist you. Know that our School Nurses are also here to help. Here are the points of contact:

Griswold Elementary School
Phone: 860-376-7610
Joe Bordeau, Principal:
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Jackie Love, Assistant Principal:
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Tonia Soper, School Nurse
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Griswold Middle School
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Glenn LaBossiere, Principal:
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Renee Normandie, School Nurse
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Griswold High School
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Marceline Macrino, Assistant Principal
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Denise Tedeschi, School Nurse
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We hope that you are all safe and well.

Sincerely yours,

Sean P. McKenna,

**Superintendent of Schools** 

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