



Tiger Tracks

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CALENDAR

January

- 16 MLK Birthday, No School
- 17 District Institute Day No School
- 18 8G LT Virtual Parent Orientation, 7PM
- 20 TGIF PTO Fun Night, 3:20-5pm
- 23 Board of Education Meeting 7:30 pm
- 23 Gurrie PTO Meeting, 6:30pm
- 27 8th Grade Graduation Photos



February

- 1 Parent-Teacher Conference, 4-7 pm
- 8 Parent-Teacher Conferences, 3-6 pm
- 20 President's Day, No School
- 28 Board of Education Mtg., 7:30 pm



Graduation Photos!

Graduation photos will be taken on Friday, January 27th during the morning. Boys should wear a shirt and tie for the gown pose. Many boys choose to wear a sport coat or a suit jacket for the pose without the gown. Girls should not wear dresses or sweaters with high necks, and they should avoid wearing heavy make up. Experience has shown us that this is not the time to try out a new hair style (for either girls or boys).

Proofs will be available within two weeks after photos are taken, and orders may be placed at that time.

All 8th grade students will be photographed whether or not they will be purchasing a photo package.

Reminder to Parents:

Please phone the school BEFORE 8:30 a.m. when your student will be absent for the day. In addition, be sure to visit the teacher's website for information about assignments and upcoming projects.



From the Principal's Desk



Greetings, Gurrie Families.

Happy New Year!

Believe it or not, we have just passed the halfway point of the school year. Midterm for the second trimester was January 23. Parent/teacher/student conference sign up information will be communicated to you in the weekly note and via email (as it was in the fall). It is important for you to take the opportunity to schedule a time to speak to your child's teacher(s) about their growth and progress. Conferences will be Wednesday, February 1 from 4-7 pm and Wednesday, February 8 from 3-6 pm. Please remember that you can sign up for two staff members you really want to speak with. You can also check with additional staff members to see if they have an opening in their schedule or schedule for a different time.

The high school orientation process for Lyons Township High School will again look a little different this year. Incoming ninth graders and their family need to save the date- Wednesday, January 25 at 7pm for a virtual welcome to the class of 2026 WebEx presentation. The link for this virtual orientation will be available on the Gurrie website and families should have received information from LT in an email in December. The link will also be available on the LTHS website. Go to the LTHS website (www.lths.net) and scroll down to the *Class of '26 Transition to LT*. The link for this virtual presentation and more information about the transition into high school will be there. This is an excellent resource for families. On January 26 we will be sending home with students the LTHS course catalog. This will be reviewed/explained in the WebEx presentation on the 25th along with how to register for elective courses. Our 8th grade staff is in the process of making their course placement recommendations for students and you will be receiving those initial placements in an email from LT on January 25.

I want to thank all of our students and parents for your continued support during another unique school year. I also want to be sure and recognize the work our staff is doing. They continue to work hard to provide a supportive and engaging learning environment. This pandemic continues to create challenges for all of us. I am so proud of our students who have committed themselves to ensuring that their health and the health of those around them is protected during this time by practicing physical distancing, good hand hygiene, and wearing a mask. I am looking forward to a very positive and healthy 2023.

Respectfully,

Ed Hood



PBIS NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The PBIS program, which rewards students for their positive behavior in school with Tiger Stripes, would greatly appreciate your help with donations. Please donate items from the list below throughout the school year. It is very important that we have enough items to reward the students.

Donated items can be dropped off at Gurrie main office anytime during the school day or can be sent in with your student. Please label "PBIS".

If you have any questions, please contact:
Ashley Burger at aburger@d105.net or
Mr. Alvarez at ealvarez@d105.net.

The following list shows some of the items that we can use for our PBIS store. Food items cannot have any peanut products or be produced in a factory that process peanut items. Nonfood items like clothing and toys need to be new or unused.

Food Items

Ring pops
Jolly Ranchers
Laffy Taffy
Now and Later
Strawberry Twizzlers
Tootsie Pops
Dumb Dumb suckers

Nonfood Items

Water bottles
Hacky sacks
Stuffed Animals
Picture frames
Slinkys
Pens
Mugs
Movies
Music CD
Calendars
Toys
Journals
Backpacks
Table games
Gurrie Gear
T-shirts
-College,
-Chicago teams,
etc.
Sweatshirts:
-College,
-Chicago teams
-Gift cards

Attention LT Class of 2026!

LTHS will be hosting a virtual parent/student orientation for incoming 9th graders on Wednesday, January 18th at 7pm-8:30pm. Please plan on attending and connecting to the site prior to 7pm. The link can be found on the LTHS website. For more information please contact LT South at 708-579-6500.



SPORTS CALENDAR:

February

- 7 Girls Volleyball VS Park Red
- 9 Girls Volleyball VS Willow Springs
- 13 Girls Volleyball @ McClure
- 14 Girls Volleyball @ Washington
- 16 Girls Volleyball @ Park Red
- 23 Girls Volleyball VS Park Blue
- 28 Girls Volleyball VS Pleasantdale



March

- 2 Girls Volleyball VS Westchester
- 6 Girls Volleyball VS Highalnds
- 8 Girls Volleyball @ Willow Springs
- 10 Girls Volleyball VS Highlands
- 12-15 Hodgkins Tournament

