



Tiger Tracks

Be Ready, Be Respectful, Be Safe



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CALENDAR

- April**
- 5 Non-Attendance Day
 - 6 District Institute Day– Non student attendance
 - 16 8th grade Graduation Photos
 - 15 Midterm, Trimester #3
 - 15 Virtual Author Visit
 - 23 Exploratory Quarter #4 begins
 - 26 Board of Education meeting, 7:30pm

- May**
- 6 8th grade Graduation Photo Retakes
 - 10 PTO meeting, 6:30pm
 - 17 Board of Education meeting, 7:30pm
 - 24 8th Grade Graduation, 7pm
 - 28 Last Day of School
 - 31 Memorial Day



Attention 8th graders!



Graduation Photos will be on Friday, April 16th!

In person students will be taking graduation photos throughout the day. They will also receive their graduation gowns for pictures and then bring home that day.

Remote students will receive a schedule to come to Gurrie for their photos between 3:30pm–6pm.

From the Principal's Desk



Greetings from Gurrie!

As we can begin to see the end of another winter and warmer days ahead, we also know that this time of year signals that we are moving closer to the end of another year. It is hard to believe that we have completed more than two-thirds of the school year.

It was last year on Friday, March 13th, 2020, when we sent students home for what we hoped would be a few weeks to slow the spread of the virus. Now, a year later, we continue to be impacted by COVID. Throughout all of this I have been so proud and continually impressed by the resilience of our students and how they continue to work hard and focus on their learning along with doing what they need to do to keep themselves, their families, and their community safe. I am also proud of our staff and how they continue to adapt and work so hard to support students. Thanks to all of you, our families, for your support and flexibility throughout this unique school year. What an amazing community we are a part of.

When we return from Spring Break, time typically moves very quickly through the remainder of the third trimester and while this year has been so different from anything we have experienced before, I have no doubt time will move along at a rapid pace.

We are currently working on planning for the end of the year and the events that would typically take place. More information will be coming soon. The date of graduation and time (May 24th at 7pm) has not changed but we are not sure what the event will look like.

In April/May, students will take the IAR (Illinois Assessment of Readiness) assessment. Students are taking five assessments over the course of four days. There are two tests for reading/language arts and three for math. Testing will take place on April 27th and 28th for reading and May 3rd and 4th for math.

Do not forget that our Gurrie website is a great source of information. Go to www.d105.net and click on Gurrie.

I hope that you and your family have a restful, warm, and sunny spring break.

Respectfully,
Ed Hood

Second Trimester Honor Roll

7th Grade

Sophia Anaya
David Anderson
Cesar Belazquez-Dominguez
Amilyn Brasse
Kayla Chrenen
Elizabeth Echeverria
Cornell Fennessee
Valeria Flores
Everado Gallegos-Martinez
Marcos Garcia Villegas
Antoine Johnson
James Klun
Angelina Lopez
Benita Lopez
Janiya Mallory
Evan Meraz
William Price
Tariq Radi
Chris Ramirez
Ben Ross
Adan Rubio-Ramos
Edgar Saucedo
Izabella Skvarla
Iriana Wilson

8th Grade

Kenneth Bach
Natasha Bertovic
Rebekah Brassfield
Chloe Carabez
Benjamin Couture
Biara Diaz
Emmett Dill
Elise Ferro
Samuel Garcia
Aadden Guererro
Genevieve Harmount
Khyla Hopkins
Max Itkowitz
Delaney Judkins
Tyler Kirk
Everett Kittridge
Drake Levreau
Anthony Lowe
Luke Malay
Mila Miletic
Daniya Morrow
Lucas Packard
Anastasija Pavlovic
Gavin Peagler
Michael Ramirez
Jesus Rodriguez

Carol Rubio-Ramos
Filip Soldat
Jack Sullivan
Tiffany Vu



2nd Trimester Improvement Honor Roll

7th Grade

Fletcher Buzek
Mariana Castillejo
Stephanie Diaz
Miranda Flores
Valeria Flores
John Frankhauser
Brandon Garcia
Danika Gordon
Freddie Hernandez
Salgado
Fernando Hernandez-Velazquez
Angel Lopez
Benita Lopez
Steven Luna
Isabella McCracken
Evan Meraz
Diego Ojeda
Chris Ramirez
Areli Romero

Edgar Saucedo
Izabella Skvarla
Gabriel Soto Garcia
Andrew Tinajero
Mario Valenzuela

8th Grade

Katherine Badrov
Madeline Buzek
Gerardo Campos
Eduardo Escobedo
Leonardo Escobedo
Elise Ferro
Javier Flores
Sebastian Garcia
Siena Garcia-Rizzo
Liam Helder
Everett Kittridge
Kara La Rocco
Tona Lopez
Christopher Medina
Cristian Montano
Martinez
Bryan Nguyen
Genesis Nietes

Ryan Nowak
Joey Olinger
Dominic Piscioti
Erick Ramos
Makaela Reimer
Alyssa Robinson
Camila Rodriguez
Victor Rodriguez
Anthony Sanchez
Anthony Silverio
Jennifer Torres
Gavin Whalen

Second Trimester All A's Honor Roll

7th Grade

Oscar Balbuena
Rachel Berry
Miles Bryck
Maya Bylsma
Adriana Capasso
Mariana Castillejo
Patrick Collins
John Curran
Alexa Darlin
Clara Deroche
Gavin Driscoll
Molly Eskra
Lucy Ferron
Jayna Fleenor
Nora Foley
Bridget Gilmartin
Anthony Gonzalez
Isabela Gonzalez
Porter Gourley
Xavier Hendersen
Johan Hernandez
Edgar Jauregui
Dylan Jorgensen
Adrian Karlovic
Karenna Knop

Ella Konkey
Sophia Kutlich
Jenna Lally
Louis Long
Max Maloney
Blake McCracken
Caroline Mhley
Elizabeth Michaelson
Jack Michaelson
Amaya Morales
Evelyn Murillo
Nadija Neskovic
Avery Nuzum
Kaitlin O'Brien
Katelyn Otoole
Luca Paganis
Mathew Papa
Natalia Pepper
Ponton
Katherine Potter
Camila Ramirez
Veda Rodriguez
Claire Rufa
Karla Ruvalcaba
Lucy Schoenecker
Abigail Schulz

Katherine Seiple
Andrew Sherman
Roman Sosnovyy
Camile Szymanski
Benjamin Thompson
Yuritzi Valdes
Isabella Velez
Mykola Washchuk

8th Grade

Marleen Alamo
Noemi Arredondo
Ava Bailey
Daniela Bojovic
Simone Brown
Katherine Carolan
Thomas Curran
Gavin Dill
Chloe Dwan Minucciani
Dylan Hall
Nhan Hoang
Emma Hornickle
Naomi Kallemeyn

Grace Lannon
Anthony Lowe
Daniel Macias
Matthew Matteucci
Madeline McLane
Jason Miller
James Minton
Camden Morris
Sarah Mshar
Abigail Murillo
Daisy Oldenburg
Anastasija Pavlovic
Ian Polonowski
Daniel Popovich
Madeline Price
Alexandria Riley
Sophia Rufa
Elizabeth Rus
London Shannon-Muscolino
Charles Shishman
Filip Soldat
Ilija Tepic
Lily Wenstrup
Andrew Zendejas



Second Trimester High Honor Roll

7th Grade

Abril Aguilar
Teodora Babic
Isabella Barnwell
Ximena Calderon
Maren Cavanaugh
Alexander Cuckovic
Vito Falco
John Franhauser
Jazlene Gonzalez
Freddie Hernandez Salgado
Genevieve Koppel
Daniela Martinez Gallegos
Ayden Martinez
Isabella McCracken
Connor McNeer
Khushi Nayi
Diego Ojeda
Yumalae Pelayo

Roy Piagnarelli
Enesa Selimi
Asina Trent
Ethan Walsh
Jake Yi

8th Grade

Katherine Badrov
Kellin Bourjaily
Sofia Bravo
Madeline Buzek
Gavin Carolan
Logan Cudaback
Emma Hornickle
Alyssa Hubbs
Agnes Kuchta
Antonieta Lopez
Luka Luburic
Derek Martinez
Matthew Matteucci
Ethan Meuer

Jason Miller
Cristian Montano
Martinez
Camden Morris
Sebastian Nevarez
Ryan Nowak
Daisy Oldenburg
Dominic Piscioti
Cristalyn Romero-Rojas
Ilijia Tepic
Devin Wong



Boys Softball begins new season!

Tryouts will be held for hybrid gold in person and remote students last name beginning M-Z on Tuesday, March 16th and Thursday, March 18th for hybrid blue in person and remote students last name A-L, right after school in the outside field until from 3:20pm-5:30pm. Anyone interested make sure to have your waiver, water bottle, softball gear and have arrangements for transportation. See the Gurrie Athletics Google Classroom fore more information.

First game is on Thursday, April 8th against Park!

Go Gurrie Tigers!



Girls Volleyball begins new season!

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First game is on Thursday, April 8th against McClure!

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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's 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:
Mrs. Pedersen at jpedersen@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
Rice Krispie Treats

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

Virtual Author Visit



Gurrie Middle School Library, in coordination with the PTO, will proudly welcome author Kenneth Oppel on April 15th through a virtual visit. Oppel is the author of *Bloom*, a fictional title that describes a time when invasive species affect the planet, seen through the eyes of three young teens. The plant is described as “tall, black, spiky grass” that starts growing all over the world. The title is a great fit due to the current pandemic conditions and also because 7th graders learn about invasive species within their science curriculum.

Oppel will introduce readers to the weird and fascinating world of toxic, invasive and carnivorous plant species. He will also talk about his creative process, from brainstorming, outlining, and successive drafts to finished book.

Kenneth has offered to send personalized book plates to all students who purchase his book. Books are available through the link below for online ordering. In addition, hybrid students will receive a paper copy of the order form in their ELA classes if they prefer that method of ordering.

<https://www.abcfairs.com/kenneth-oppels-virtual-gurrie-middle-school-visit-april-15-2021>

If you have any questions, reach out to Jennifer Sutsser, Library Media Specialist, at jsutsser@d105.net.

