



Gardner High School

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GHS Monthly Information and Upcoming Events January, 2019

Hello Gardner Community! Here are some of the happenings that occurred during the month of December at GHS:

- Congratulations to our five Students of the Month for December. Grade 8 - Ava Robles; Grade 9 - Kevin Toro; Grade 10 - Julie Richard; Grade 11 - Alex Lopez; and Grade 12 - Julia Jaillet. These students were recognized for being good GHS citizens and representing our Core Values (Community, Appreciation, Responsibility, and Excellence)
- Congratulations to Rick Prouty for being selected as the Teacher of the Month by our Student Council and Government.
- The GHS winter sports season is in full swing with our hockey, indoor track, cheering and basketball teams all working hard and representing Gardner High School well, as usual. School and community support at our sporting events continues to be strong and is much appreciated.
- We received a grant from Growing Places and will be using that money to purchase a Hydroponic Growing Unit and also to support a new Gardening Program at GHS. Students in our Botany classes as well students in the Gardening Club after school will be involved in growing various plants as well as restructuring our inner courtyard. Thank you to science teacher, Steve Tata, along with support from Renee Eldredge and Sherry Gelinias for getting this program up and running.
- On December 19th our band and chorus performed at the annual Holiday Concert to a very full auditorium of students, families, faculty and community members. As always, students did a wonderful job under the direction of Joanne Landry and Doug Lepisto.
- On December 20th GHS students from Janey Medero, Tammi Malloy and MaryPat Devine's classes volunteered at the Gardner Community Action Council and unloaded thousands of pounds of food. This is a monthly happening for our students as they are able to give back to the community and support this worthy cause. Thank you to Theresa Thompson for helping organize this every month.
- The Caring Place again donated presents to GHS families in need of some additional support this holiday season. Their contributions are always greatly appreciated and truly made a difference in the lives of many of our students and families.
- City Hall collected and donated food to the GHS Food Pantry. Boxes and boxes of food were delivered and distributed to many of our families in need. Another big 'Thank You' to everyone who donated and thought of our families during this time of year.

Upcoming events for January:

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- Our winter sports season continues . . . Please refer to the Gardner Public Schools website under Gardner High School or [click here](#) to get all winter athletic schedules.
- Guidance will be visiting AP classrooms throughout the month of January to start discussing the AP tests, registration, and payment information. Contact Melissa Chisholm (chisholmm@gardnerk12.org) in guidance if you have any questions.
- There will be a School Council meeting held on January 8th at 6:00 p.m. in the Snell Conference Room off the main office. All parents are welcome to attend.
- Auditions for "Nonsense Mega Musical" will be held January 8th and 9th. Rehearsals will continue through January and February with performances on March 21st, 22nd, and 23rd.
- Sophomore Haylee Girouard will be performing in the Massachusetts Central District Chorus on January 19th at Mechanics Hall. Congratulations Haylee.
- The National Honor Society Induction Ceremony will be held on January 10th at 6:30 p.m. in the high school library. Congratulations to our new inductees.
- On January 17th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and again on January 22nd from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., our awesome Link Crew will be holding Cocoa and Cram to help prepare 8th grade students for mid-term exams. Interested 8th graders should bring study materials with them to the library where Link Crew members will assist with tutoring. Snacks will be provided.
- Mid-terms will be held from January 22nd through January 25th. Those will be early release days at 10:40 a.m.
- Second term ends on January 25th and the third term begins on January 28th.

I'm looking forward to another great month here at GHS!

Paula Bolger, Principal