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*Grass Valley Charter
An EL Education Mentor
School*

2/3/20



“We are Crew, Not Passengers.”



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On Belay!

Our sixth graders are climbing the walls! The climbing wall, that is!

Under the direction of Adventure Teachers, Morgan & Beth, our Crews are learning the fundamentals of rock climbing to prepare for a big end of year adventure!

Students are learning to tie knots, belay each other, climbing techniques and developing more than a little Crew & Perseverance!

We look forward to keeping up with these Crews as they climb to new heights!



GVCS Family Day of Service a Resounding Success!

Wow! Despite spending the last decade and half as part of the Charter community, I am still consistently overwhelmed by the awesomeness of our families! This past Thursday, Crew 24 (our parent community building group) hosted the first Family Day of Service!

Benefitting the Hospitality House, the Interfaith Food Ministry, the Karing Closet and Partners Family Resource Center you did a fabulous job of bringing in the goods! Many, many boxes of clothing were collected that will be distributed to those in need.

But wait! There is still a bit more that we can do to help out! The Interfaith Food Ministry can still use our help! And because we are Crew, let's do this!



For the next two weeks, we will continue to collect non-perishable food. So if you missed out on the warm and fuzzy feeling of helping those less fortunate, you still have a chance. Please place your donation

in the large white barrel in front of the office. Thank you Charter – you are amazing!

We Want To Hear From You!

Parents! If you did not have the opportunity to complete the survey at Student Led Conferences last week, please take a few minutes to do it now. We appreciate your time and your feedback. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WeAreCrew>

Sports Updates!

Boys Basketball

12/16 – 2/21

6th/ 7th – Coach Ben Murphy

b-bmurphy@att.net

7th/8th – Coach Simon
Menesini

pineviewconstruction@gmail.com

Nordic Skiing

Coach Curry rcurry@gvsd.us

Girls Volleyball

**Packets Coming Home this
Week!**

2/24 – 4/24

Coach Russ

russyokon@msn.com

Track

4/6 – 5/24

Coach Curry rcurry@gvsd.us

Mountain Biking Club:

Fall Season is a wrap, Spring
Season will start in March.
More info to follow.

**Contact Mr. E with Sports
Qs**

[aezell@gvsd.us](mailto:aezzell@gvsd.us)

Blue Marble Calling Volunteers!

Save the Date! The Blue Marble Jubilee will return **Saturday, May 16th**! Charter's very own family focused festival promises activities for kiddos of all ages, along with live music and more!

Want to be part of deciding what "more" entails? Join the amazing group of parent volunteers who make this event happen!

First planning meeting of the year is this Wednesday, Feb 5th at 2pm in the Staff Lounge. Questions? Contact Wendy at wendywabas@gmail.com

Want Your Middle School Student To Be Better at Arguing?

From the award-winning NU Debate Team...

Develop your public speaking skills, construct better arguments, learn about current events, and connect with the Nevada Union Debate Team.

Come see if competitive debate is for you!

Join us on Wednesdays from 2/26-4/29

5:30-6:30 PM

Nevada Union High School Room G6
(Between the pool and the wrestling gym)

COST: Free! To all interested 7th and 8th-grade students

RSVP: erindrew71@gmail.com

Boys Basketball

The season is about to kick off this week, come on out and support our students!

2/3 – GVCS vs CC, at 4pm (7th), 5pm (8th) at Seven Hills

2/5 – GVCS vs Ready Springs at 5pm at Mount Saint Mary's

2/6 – GVCS vs Seven Hills at 5pm at Seven Hills

2/11 – GVCS vs CC at 5pm at Mount Saint Mary's

2/18 – 2/20 Tournament at NU, details TBD.

Dates! Be In The Know!

2/7 – No School, Staff Development Day

2/14 & 2/15 - Presidents' Days

An Expanded View of Student Achievement

At GVCS we have an expanded vision of student achievement. We believe that when a student graduates from our school, that they should be well on their way to becoming an effective and productive citizen, who not only envisions a better world, but possesses the tools to help create that world.

As students culminate their education, be it after college or vocational school, we know that their success is not solely dependent upon their test scores, but on the quality of their work and the quality of their character.

As such, at GVCS we consider student achievement to have three dimensions: Mastery of Academic Skills and Content, High – Quality Work, and Character.

We hope that you have found evidence of our commitment to these dimensions of student achievement in the previous pages.



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Our Design Principles

The Primacy of Self – Discovery
The Having of Wonderful Ideas
The Responsibility for Learning
Empathy and Caring
Success and Failure
Collaboration and Competition
Diversity and Inclusion
The Natural World
Solitude and Reflection
Service and Compassion