



# The HOWL

*Grass Valley Charter  
An EL Education Mentor  
School*



8/19/19

“We are Crew, Not Passengers.”



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## Welcome Back Charter!!

A hearty welcome back Charter Community! We hope that each of you had an amazing Summer.

It was great to see so many of our families at our welcome back BBQ this past Friday! Thank you for coming out.

We hope that folks got to learn a bit more about our school via our information booths! In case you missed it and want to get involved:

**Crew 24** – Our parent group focused on having fun and making our community even more amazing! Contact Olivia for more info [opritchett@gvsd.us](mailto:opritchett@gvsd.us)

**GVCS Foundation** – The critical fundraising arm of our school, responsible for our 3 annual fundraisers, and countless awesome aspects of our school.

Ranging from supporting Expedition expenses, building our climbing wall, making the garden dream a reality, and more! For more info, contact Wendy at [wendywabas@gmail.com](mailto:wendywabas@gmail.com)

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Kudos go out to our 8<sup>th</sup> graders who helped bring the fun and build friendships at the BBQ – one face painting at a time!



## Something to Ease Back Into the School Year...

Whew! Is this whole waking up early, making lunches, getting kids ready for school, bracing for homework thing got you overwhelmed? You know what you need? Something to remind you of the mellow Summer days & make you excited to be back at school! A tall order you say?

No problem with these sweet Charter Sunglasses!  
At GVCS - We are Crew and your future is bright!



Student Council will have them available for sale for \$5 when pizza-sales starts in the coming weeks.

If you need 'em now, so you can face down any challenge coming your way, just see Mr. E.



## Playground Drum Roll!

Its arrival is imminent... Late September! Get those static-electricity cancelling sneakers on, because this baby has sliiiiiiiiiides!





## Sports Updates!

### **Boys Volleyball**

8/19 – 10/11

Coach Needed, Contact  
Mr. E [aezzell@gvsd.us](mailto:aezzell@gvsd.us)

### **Cross Country**

8/19 – 10/11

More info from Coach  
Curry this week! She can  
be contacted at  
[rcurry@gvsd.us](mailto:rcurry@gvsd.us)

### **Girls Basketball**

10/14 – 12/13

### **Boys Basketball**

12/16 – 2/21

### **Girls Volleyball**

2/24 – 4/24

### **Track**

4/6 – 5/24

### **Mountain Biking Club:**

Fall Season to begin in  
September, more info  
shortly.

Contact Mr. E with Sports  
Qs

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

## Library!

Wow! If you have not had a chance to swing by and check out the fantastic work done in the Library this Summer, by our new Librarian, Ruth Purwin, you need to check in out.

The space looks amazing and is already getting flooded by excited young readers!



Thank you to the GVCS Foundation for your amazing support in making this a more welcoming place of learning.

## Boys Volleyball Coach Needed ASAP

We are looking for a Boys Volleyball Coach for the season that runs from 8/19 – 10/11. If you are interested please contact Mr. E at [aezzell@gvsd.us](mailto:aezzell@gvsd.us)

## Dates! Be In The Know!

9/2 – Labor Day, No School

9/5 – Back to School Night

10/10 – All Parent Meeting

10/21-10/25 – Fall Break

11/1 – Staff Professional Development, No School

11/11 – Veteran's Day, No School

11/18 – 11/22 – Middle School Intensives

11/27 – 11/29 – Thanksgiving Break

## 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