# GCS JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL HILTON

**JANUARY 13, 2023** 

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Jan. 13: Senior Teacher Day
- Jan. 16: Martin Luther King Day No School
- Jan. 25: Elective Recital 7:00 P.M.

The NHS will be having a Valentine's carnation sale during the last week of January, with delivery on Valentine's Day. This event serves as both a fundraiser and a service, of sorts, giving families of elementary students the opportunity to send special thank you messages to the dedicated adults who work with their children: teachers, TAs, counselors, library aides, administrators, bus drivers, and more. The NHS advisors will be sending out an email to families with the order form and more details.

### **ATTENDANCE**

One of our goals is to improve our attendance. All members of the school community (students, families, faculty and staff) are partners in this endeavor. We want all of our students here, every day.

Attendance Jan. 6 - 11 Grade 7: 92.6% Grade 8: 93.9% Grade 9: 88.5% Grade 10: 98.1% Grade 11: 91.6% Grade 12: 92.2% Total: 92.84%

## FROM THE COMMUNITY PTSA:

The Reflections Contest is back at GCS!
Students in grades PK-12 submit entries around the theme "Show Your Voice" in any category: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts.
Local and national cash prizes available.
More info in the coming weeks. More: www.pta.org/home/programs/reflections



Internet safety assembly, presented by former New York State Trooper Tom Roid

## **WEEK IN REVIEW**

On Monday, we practiced lockdown drills during lunch in our efforts to improve our safety preparedness. On Tuesday, tenth grade students visited Questar III BOCES to explore CTE programs and we had our internet safety assembly, which students found informative. On Wednesday, we had our Board of Education meeting. Friday is Senior Teacher Day. Student Council will be sponsoring National Bagel Day on January 17 when 15 lucky students will win a bagel with cream cheese from Brugger's Bagels. One lucky staff member will win a dozen bagels with cream cheese.

#### **DISTRICT GOALS**

- Goal 1: Provide a Safe, Inclusive, Welcoming Environment for All
- **Goal 2:** Promote Community Engagement.
- **Goal 3:** Strengthen and Implementation of Innovative K-12 Curriculum.
- Goal 4: Re-Establish Pre-Pandemic School Routines.