SHREK 2

Calling all actors and theatre enthusiasts! Auditions for Glendale Middle’s play, Shrek 2 begin January 10 and 11 in the auditorium from 3:30 PM-5:00 PM. The performance date is March 14 and 16. All rehearsals will be held after school during January and February. Don’t miss this opportunity to show off your acting skills.

MATHEMATICS GROWTH AT GLENDALE

We are pleased to announce that Glendale Middle School has the second highest growth scores in mathematics in the state among schools with similar demographics. Last year 40% of our 8th graders met or exceeded the state benchmark in mathematics and are very prepared for their high school classes. We thank the math department for their efforts in helping every single student reach their potential in math. Afterschool math tutoring and homework help is held every day after school.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of parent volunteers for the following jobs:
- Lunch Supervision from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM daily
- Set Design for Shrek 2 Play
- Costume Design and Sewing for Shrek 2 Play
Stop by the Front Office if you are interested in these volunteer opportunities.

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**ELECTIVE CLASS HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH**

The Glendale Buzz in Glendale Middle School’s video broadcast that is written, produced, and directed by students. Each week, the publication of the Buzz provides students with a steady stream of feedback, affirmation and ownership, while also strengthening their ability to work in a self-directed environment. In addition to building academic skills such as writing, proofreading, presenting and speaking, students practice professional broadcast skills, such as media production and behind-the-scenes technology. And woven through all of their work are skills critical to our professional and personal lives: collaboration, communication, creativity, critical thinking, responsibility, flexibility, and the problem-solving prowess that comes from working under pressure to produce a daily news show in a room full of people and unreliable technology. Check out the episodes on our school website.

**GLENDALE RISING CULTURAL EDUCATION DAY**

At our annual cultural education conference, invited speakers from the Glendale community and beyond, delivered a selection of student-centered sessions, which shared knowledge and resources about recognizing and addressing implicit bias, as well as ways to find and share our unique voice as a community. The keynote speaker Dr. David Parker, engaged and delighted Glendale students and faculty with his energetic, humorous and highly relevant presentation. Glendale Middle School would like to offer its grateful thanks to all our community partners and to the many presenters who participated in the event, in addition to our Counseling Dept; Cassie Bell, Dan Del Porto and Jerly Alcala who organized the conference.

**SHARON MOORE-UTSTA OUTSTANDING 7TH GRADE**

Our very own, Sharon Moore, received UtSTA Outstanding 7th Grade Science Teacher of the Year Award. Each year the organization recognizes exceptional and innovative science educators. The program was created to raise awareness and exposure of the outstanding work being done in the science education field. New to Glendale, she immediately became a favorite amongst her students. Dedicated to investigative, inquiry-based instruction, Sharon Moore creates hands-on labs that are highly engaging for the middle school student. Stop by her classroom; you’ll be impressed!
AFTERSCHOOL CLUB HIGHLIGHTS

Don’t miss out on the afternoon fun at Glendale Middle! We have several clubs that need more students enrolled.
- Dance: Learn the classics and experience the newest dance trends: ballet, jazz, and hip hop. Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00 PM-5:00 PM
- Love for Art: Explore art, music, dance, and theater in this arts based afterschool club. Monday-Friday from 3:00 PM- 5:30 PM
- Girls Who Code: The goal of this club is to educate and equip girls with the computing skills to pursue 21st century opportunities and to close the gender gap in technology and change the image of what a programmer looks like and does. Wednesdays from 3:00 PM- 4:00 PM.

GLendale sports COLUMN

Basketball Season Update
Our basketball team has been tearing up the court in practice with their agile ball-handling skills and calculated passing. Our players are respectful, responsible, safe, and very kind on and off the court, as well as in the classrooms of GMS. Come ROAR with us; listed below is the schedule of the games. All games begin at 4:10 PM and end at 5:10 PM.
1/15-Hillside vs. Glendale @ Glendale
1/17-Hillside vs. Glendale @ Hillside
1/22-Bryant vs. Glendale @ Glendale
1/24-Bryant vs. Glendale @ Bryant
1/29- Clayton vs. Glendale @ Clayton
1/31-Clayton vs. Glendale @ Glendale
2/5- Nibley vs. Glendale @ Nibley
2/7- Nibley vs. Glendale @ Glendale
2/12-Northwest vs. Glendale @Glendale
2/14-Northwest vs. Glendale @Northwest
2/19- Glendale Team 2 vs. Teachers
2/21- Glendale Team 1 vs. Teachers

IMPORTANT PARENT INFO ABOUT VAPING

BY ADMINISTRATION

Vaping tobacco and marijuana amongst teens has increased significantly. America’s teens report a dramatic increase in their use of vaping devices in just a single year, with 37.3 percent of 12th graders reporting “any vaping” in the past 12 months, compared to just 27.8 percent in 2017. The use of electronic cigarettes (e-cigs) is also referred to as vaping. There are hundreds of different brands and a few different styles of e-cigs. But in general, they are all battery-operated devices that have a cartridge that holds a liquid solution. When a person puffs, the e-cig vaporizes the liquid and the user inhales the vapor. Vaping marijuana (THC oil) can be more dangerous than smoking the drug. This is because people often vape a higher concentration of THC which, in turn, intensifies the high and can increase the likelihood of addiction. Please talk to your child about the effects of vaping and look for any devices. Please contact the school if you have any questions or concerns. Administration and the Student Resource Officer can help you identify any drug or device use to vape.