

## **Some updates:**

### **Community Service 2023- 2024 School Year**

George Stevens Academy values community involvement not only within our campus, but in our larger community. We believe that our school is part of our local community and our students and staff can and should work with local government and organizations to help make the Blue Hill Peninsula stronger and more connected. To honor this commitment, and to live our values, GSA requires students to complete community service during their tenure.

Graduation Requirements by Class Year:

2024: 20 hours

2025: 40 hours

2026: 60 hours

2027: 60 hours

Mr. Eckenfelder will be sending notices to students about community service opportunities. If you have a need or any questions about the program, please email him at [t.eckenfelder@georgestevens.org](mailto:t.eckenfelder@georgestevens.org)

### **Calculators in Math and Science Classes**

Students in all math courses and most science courses need calculators.

#### **AP Math Courses:**

As you gear up for the upcoming school year, we want to ensure you have the necessary tools for success in your AP Calculus and AP Statistics courses. A graphing calculator is essential for both in-class exercises and the AP national exams in these subjects. We recommend the NumWorks calculator ([numworks.com](http://numworks.com)) or any of the TI-84 models. If you opt for a different calculator, please confirm its approval for AP exams in the College Board AP course descriptions.

#### **Other Math and Science Courses:**

The calculator of choice for all other courses is the Texas Instruments TI-30XS Multiview scientific calculator. The Multiview is available online and in many local stores for under \$20. This calculator has many special capabilities, and students with other scientific calculators may have trouble doing homework in some courses. Graphing calculators are of course acceptable for any of our math and science courses. However, graphing calculators are expensive and they are not as powerful as software available for free on our school issued laptops.

Questions about purchasing? Reach out to Mr. Torre via email ([j.torre@georgestevens.org](mailto:j.torre@georgestevens.org)) or in person at school.