



# Middle School Matters

April 15, 2024

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| Monday 4/15<br>Day 1 | Tuesday 4/16<br>Day 2 | Wednesday 4/17<br>Day 3 | Thursday 4/18<br>Day 4 | Friday 4/19<br>Day 5 |
| Monday 4/22<br>Day 6 | Tuesday 4/23<br>Day 1 | Wednesday 4/24<br>Day 2 | Thursday 4/25<br>Day 3 | Friday 4/26<br>Day 4 |

## Dates to Make Note of:

**Apr. 16 - Spring Choral Concert, 7PM, Gym**  
**Apr. 17 - PATRIOT PRIDE**  
**Apr. 23 - NO SCHOOL- IN SERVICE**  
**Apr. 25 - Envirothon- Hibernia, 8:15am-2PM**  
**May 2 - Spring Instrumental Concert, Gym, 6:30PM**  
**May 3 - PTO Meeting, 9AM**  
**May 13-17 - 7th Grade Henlopen Trip**  
**May 13 - Keystone Exams**  
**May 21 - GVSD String Fest, 7PM**  
**May 22 - NJHS Induction, 7PM**  
**May 30 - 8th Grade Amazing Race, 9:15AM - 3:30PM**

## POINTS OF INTEREST

### Mark your calendars, PSSA time is right around the corner!

It's not too early to start thinking about PSSA exams. The **Language Arts PSSA** will be administered to **all grades April 24-26**. The **Math PSSA** will be administered to **all grades April 29-30**. The **PSSA Science** exam will be administered to **8th grade only on May 1**. Students who arrive late or miss a section must make up all missed parts; This will likely result in the loss of regularly scheduled classes. All electronic devices including cell phones, iPods, Nooks, Kindles, Apple Watches, and iPads are **NOT** allowed in the testing rooms! **\*\*Please try not to schedule any appointments in this time period. Thank you.**

Now is the time to purchase your 2023-24 Yearbook. Online sales will **end on May 12**. After that, there is no guarantee that you will be able to obtain a Yearbook. We will have a limited number of books on sale in June.

Click the link below to request your Yearbook:

[https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productDetail/1044649/GREAT-VALLEY-MIDDLE-SCHOOL/Yearbook/20230901042833590111/CATALOG\\_SHOP/Yearbook/20230901042833603111#design/0](https://www.jostens.com/apps/store/productDetail/1044649/GREAT-VALLEY-MIDDLE-SCHOOL/Yearbook/20230901042833590111/CATALOG_SHOP/Yearbook/20230901042833603111#design/0)



### The Spring Door Decoration Committee

I am pleased to announce the winners:

- Mrs. Scholz's Sixth Grade Adv.
- Mr. Trahey's 7th grade Adv.
- Mrs. Search's 8th grade Adv.
- Special hall Mrs. Oh's Adv.

### STUDENT COUNCIL 2024 National Council of Excellence

The Great Valley Middle School Student Council earned the 2024 National Council of Excellence for its exemplary record of leadership, service, and activities that serve to improve the school and community.

Great Valley Middle School is one of twenty-three middle schools in the United States and the only middle schools in Pennsylvania to earn recognition for the 2024 National Council of Excellence.

Congratulations!



### PATRIOT PRIDE STICKER CONTEST WINNERS

We're excited to announce the winners of our Patriot Pride sticker contest! After much deliberation, we finally have the results. Congratulations to the talented designers who put their creativity into this contest.

6th grade: Emma Hall, 7th grade: Natalie Rodriguez and 8th grade: Laura Garbin Neves.

Thank you very much to everyone who participated. Your efforts made this competition a close and exciting race.



Congratulations to the **middle school mock trial team** for their excellent performance in the **Friendship Mock Trial Tournament on April 11** with a difficult case involving murder for hire. The defense team, consisting of Lucy Chiambalero, Ahana Gupta, Kaylee Tatum, Akshitha Gunnu, Shachi Shah and Rhea Sharma won their match. Additionally, Vishi Sharma and Lucy were recognized as the best lawyers and Aayush Wagh and Shachi were recognized as the best witnesses.  
Good job everyone!