

Great Falls Public Schools
Ten “MOORE” things you need to know
February 19, 2020

1. **Congratulations to Great Falls High Bison Wrestling Team- 2020 State AA Champions!**
Elijah Davis and Ethan DeRoche won state championships and 11 other Bison wrestlers scored points to help win the AA Division State Championship for Great Falls High. **GFHS and CMR Swimming teams place in the State Tournament!** The CMR boys placed 2nd, GFHS boys placed 3rd and the CMR girls placed 4th in the AA Division. Congratulations to Coach Ed McNamee and all of the swimmers who competed!
2. **Girls Basketball** is in town this weekend (Senior Night) as both CMR and GFHS play Billings schools on Friday night and Saturday! Please check our Athletic Department website for more detailed information about who is playing, what time and where- <https://gfps.k12.mt.us/athletics/>
3. **Golden Age Pass Tailgate-** Wednesday, February 19, 2020 in the new HUB at Great Falls High School starting at 5:30 PM.
4. **Now Open.** The three-year terms of Trustees Jason Brantley, Jan Cahill and Kim Skornogoski are expiring and are therefore open for election on May 5, 2020. Citizens wishing to be a candidate and named on the ballot, must file a Declaration of Intent and Oath of Candidacy with the County Elections Office between now and March 26, 2020. Candidates must report campaign expenditures to the Montana Commissioner of Political Practices.
5. **Career and Technical Education Month-** For more information on events this month check the CTE website; <http://gfpsweb.weebly.com/cte-home.html>!
6. **Loy Elementary Wins National Recognition-** Character.org, a national organization that promotes character education in schools across America, recently named Loy Elementary as the 2020 Montana School of Character! Congratulations to the staff, students and Principal Kim Ray for this awesome recognition! <https://www.character.org/>
7. **Levy Information and Education-** The GFPS Board of Trustees voted on November 25th to ask the citizens of Great Falls to support an Elementary Operational Mill Levy. Ballots will go out on April 15 and the election will occur on May 5, 2020. **If your organization would like a presentation on the school levy contact the District Office at 406-268-6001** or for more information, please refer to the Budget section of our website at: <https://gfps.k12.mt.us/budget/>
 - a. DON'T Forget to Register to Vote in Cascade County;
<https://www.cascadecountymt.gov/doc/voterregistrationapplication.pdf>
8. **Cascade County Spelling Bee** - West Elementary School Auditorium- 9:30-11:30 AM on Thursday, February 27. Approximately 26 schools with over 65 students will compete in this annual event.
9. **Community Week of Compassion-** March 1-7, 2020, sponsored by local churches and community organizations. All proceeds go to support the Great Falls Rescue Mission, where many of our homeless students in Great Falls reside throughout the school year. For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/events/611491079672251>
10. **Board Meetings.** The next regular Board meeting is on Monday, March 9, 2020 at 5:30 PM at the District Office Building, 1100 4th St. S. The agenda and supporting information will be posted on Thursday, March 5 at this link: www.gfps.k12.mt.us/content/meeting-agendas.

I hope “Moore” information was helpful to you! The next release is scheduled for March 4, 2020.

Thanks for reading!

Tom Moore

Superintendent

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