



***Great Falls Public Schools***  
**Ten “MOORE” things you need to know ....**  
**January 8, 2020**

1. **Ignite Great Falls-** Friday January 10 from 7:30-10:30 am at the Meadow Lark Country Club, the Great Falls Development Authority will host a look at exciting new business development projects on the horizon here in Great Falls for 2020. For more information-<https://growgreatfallsmontana.org/ignite/>.
2. **Swimming and Basketball** – This Thursday, Friday and Saturday in Great Falls. **Crosstown Basketball-** Boys at GFHS on Tuesday, January 14, 7:00 pm and Girls at CMR on Thursday, January 16 at 7:00 pm. For more information- <https://gfps.k12.mt.us/athletics/>
3. **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 28, 2020. Candidates must report campaign expenditures to the Montana Commissioner of Political Practices.
4. **Facility Update. Longfellow-**Interior framing is nearing completion on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, 1<sup>st</sup> floor framing is scheduled for the week of January 13<sup>th</sup> and the electrical and plumbing is currently being roughed in. Windows are starting to be installed, and fire and water service is complete. **Great Falls High** Auditorium renovation and main campus mechanical systems upgrades are continuing.
5. **Winter Safety Tips:** GFPS provides a variety of safety information for our staff members and I'm happy to share it with you too. Check out this webpage: <http://gfpsweb.weebly.com/safety-information.html>. You can find information here about safe snow shoveling techniques, and avoiding slips, trips and falls.
6. **Great Falls Chamber of Commerce:** Annual Agriculture Appreciation Banquet will be held Friday, January 17, 2020 at the Heritage Inn, 5:30 pm Social / 6:30 pm Dinner.
7. **End of 1<sup>st</sup> Semester- Early Release-** Friday, January 17 marks the end of the first semester and first half of the school year. High school students will have semester exams Tuesday through Thursday of next week with altered schedules. There is an early out for all students on that Friday, January 17, 2020 so teachers can prepare report cards that will go out the following week.

8. **Business Professionals of America Student Conference-** Great Falls Public Schools is hosting the Regional BPA Conference on Monday, January 20 (Martin Luther King Day) at C.M. Russell High School. We would appreciate YOU as a judge for this competition. Judges are needed for 2.5 hours of the day. Contact Tracy Milton for information at [tracy\\_milton@gfps.k12.mt.us](mailto:tracy_milton@gfps.k12.mt.us).
9. **Martin Luther King Day.** There will be no school for students on Monday, January 20. As MLK believed in civil rights for all and service to one's community, I know many community members are participating in a Day of Service.
10. **Board Meetings.** The next regular Board meeting is on Monday, January 13 at 5:30 pm at the District Office Building, 1100 4<sup>th</sup> St. S. The agenda and supporting information will be posted on Thursday, January 9 at this link: [www.gfps.k12.mt.us/content/meeting-agendas](http://www.gfps.k12.mt.us/content/meeting-agendas).

I hope "Moore" information was helpful to you! The next release is scheduled for January 22, 2020.

Thanks for reading!

Tom Moore

Superintendent

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