

**GRISWOLD
ELEMENTARY**

WEDNESDAY FOLDER

2024-2025

***“MAKE KINDNESS
THE NORM!”***

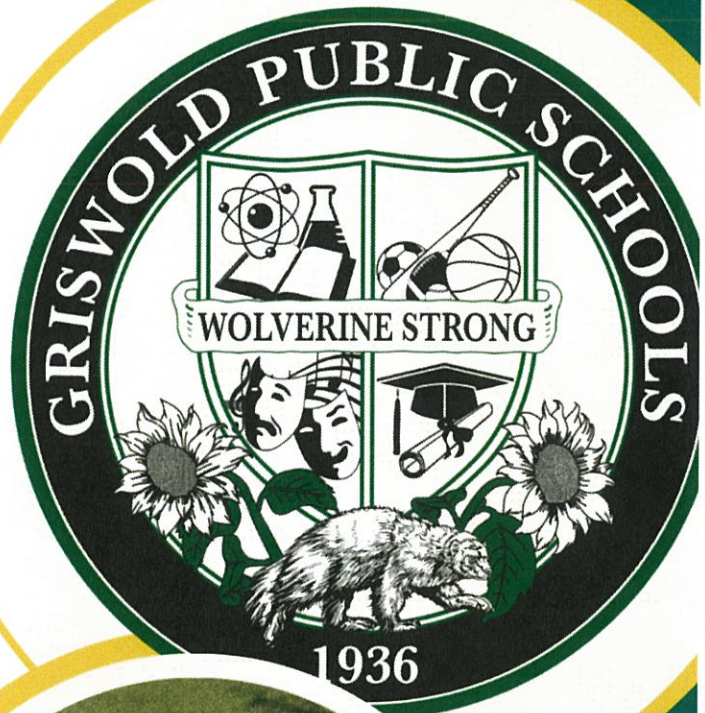
**Stay Informed with School
Events & Updates**

- ✓ School Flyers
- ✓ Community Flyers
- ✓ Youth Center Flyers

More Information

 +860-376-7610

 <https://www.griswold.k12.ct.us/wednesday-folders>



PUBLIC HEARING

on the Initial
2025-2026 GPS



Budget Proposal

Thursday, February 6
5:30 PM, GMS Cafeteria

Learn more at

[griswoldpublicschools.org/
board-of-ed/budget-information](https://griswoldpublicschools.org/board-of-ed/budget-information)





Griswold School Readiness Council

PLEASE JOIN US

We look forward to your participation in our discussions
and to contributing to our collective goals for Early
Childhood Education in Griswold.



Wednesdays @ 9am
November 20th
January 15th
March 19th
May 21st



Location
GES conference room

More information available here

<https://www.ctoec.org/school-readiness-preschool-grant-program/>
or call Jaselyn Caviness; 860-376-7616



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GRISWOLD PUBLIC
SCHOOLS

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JANUARY
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NEW YEAR'S DAY

1

FRENCH TOAST STICKS
SAUSAGE, HASHBROWN
CARROTS
PEACHES, MILK

2

PIZZA CHOICE
TOSSED SALAD
STRAWBERRIES
MILK

3

CHICKEN NUGGETS
MASHED POTATO
ROLL, BROCCOLI
APPLESAUCE, MILK

6

BEEF NACHOS
BEANS & CORN
PEARS
MILK

7

CHEESEBURGERS
FRENCH FRIES
GREENBEANS
BANANA, MILK

8

GRILLED CHEESE
TOMATO SOUP
CARROTS
APPLE, MILK

9

PIZZA CHOICE
TOSSED SALAD
STRAWBERRIES
MILK

10

CHICKEN PATTY
FRENCH FRIES
BROCCOLI
APPLESAUCE, MILK

13

QUESADILLA
RICE & BEANS
CORN
PEACHES, MILK

14

PASTA W/ MEATSAUCE
GARLIC KNOT
GREENBEANS
MIXED FRUIT, MILK

15

FRENCH TOAST STICKS
SAUSAGE, HASHBROWN
CARROTS
PEACHES, MILK

16

PIZZA CHOICE
TOSSED SALAD
STRAWBERRIES
MILK

17

MARTIN

20

LUTHER KING

BEEF NACHOS
BEANS & CORN
PEARS
MILK

21

CHEESEBURGERS
FRENCH FRIES
GREENBEANS
BANANA, MILK

22

MOZZERELLA STICKS
CARROTS
BREADSTICK
APPLE, MILK

23

PIZZA CHOICE
TOSSED SALAD
STRAWBERRIES
MILK

24

JR. DAY

CHICKEN PATTY
FRENCH FRIES
BROCCOLI
APPLESAUCE, MILK

27

SOFT TACO
RICE & BEANS
CORN
PEARS
MILK

28

PASTA W/ MEATSAUCE
GARLIC KNOT
GREENBEANS
MIXED FRUIT, MILK

29

FRENCH TOAST STICKS
SAUSAGE, HASHBROWN
CARROTS
PEACHES, MILK

30

PIZZA CHOICE
TOSSED SALAD
STRAWBERRIES
MILK

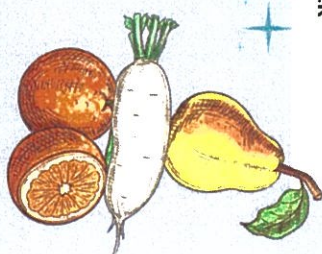
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THE USDA IS AN
EQUAL
OPPORTUNITY
PROVIDER AND
EMPLOYER

BREAD OFFERINGS ARE WHOLE
GRAIN. MILK OFFERINGS ARE 1%
WHITE OR FATFREE FLAVORED.
MILK IS OFFERED AT EVERY MEAL

ADDITIONAL CHOICES AVAILABLE
DAILY. CHOICES ARE PB&J,
TURKEY SANDWICH, CHEF SALAD
OR CHEF'S SPECIAL

LUNCHES:
Free to anyone
that qualifies.
CHILD - \$4.00
ADULT - \$5.00





NORWICH *Sea Unicorns* **READING PROGRAM**



HOW IT WORKS

- READ AS MANY BOOKS AS YOU CAN, STARTING JANUARY 1ST, 2025.
- LOG THE TITLE, AUTHOR AND THE MINUTES OF BOOKS YOU READ, AND SUBMIT THEM TO YOUR TEACHER.
- THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS MAY 1, 2025.

WHAT YOU CAN WIN

**EACH STUDENT WHO READS 500 MINUTES OR MORE,
WILL RECEIVE A TICKET TO A NORWICH SEA UNICORNS HOME GAME.**

- YOU AND YOUR CLASSMATES COULD WIN AN ON-FIELD EXPERIENCE AT DODD STADIUM, BEFORE A NORWICH SEA UNICORNS HOME GAME. ONE CLASS FROM EACH GRADE, THROUGHOUT THE AREA, WITH THE MOST COMBINED MINUTES READ, WILL BE THE WINNING CLASS! (K-8TH GRADE)
- THE STUDENT WITH THE MOST MINUTES READ IN THE PROGRAM, WILL BE HONORED WITH A CEREMONIAL FIRST PITCH ON OUR SEA UNICORNS READING NIGHT GAME (TBA).
- THE TEACHER OF THE WINNING CLASSES, WILL BE AWARDED WITH A PRIZE PACK FROM THE SEA UNICORNS AND THE MASHANTUCKET PEQUOT MUSEUM.



FOR MORE INFO CONTACT, READE@GOSEAUNICORNS.COM



SEA UNICORNS READING PROGRAM

STUDENT:

TEACHER:



BOOK TITLE & AUTHOR

MINUTES

1

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**RETURN THIS READING LOG TO YOUR TEACHER
BY MAY 1, 2025**

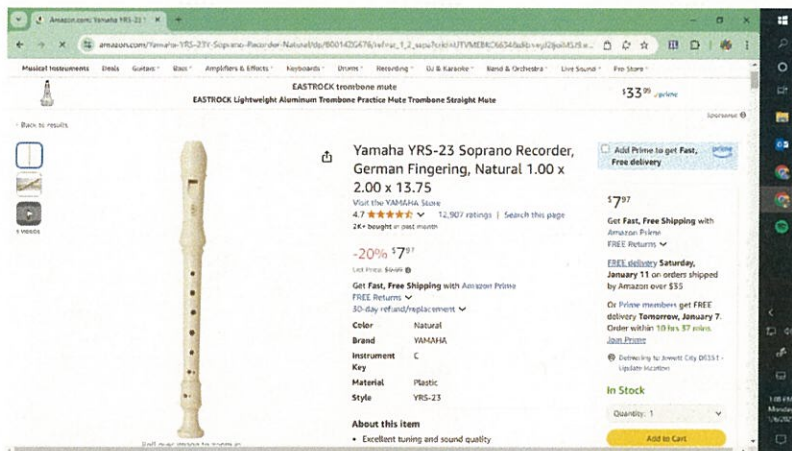
3rd GRADE GES RECORDER INFORMATION

January 2025,

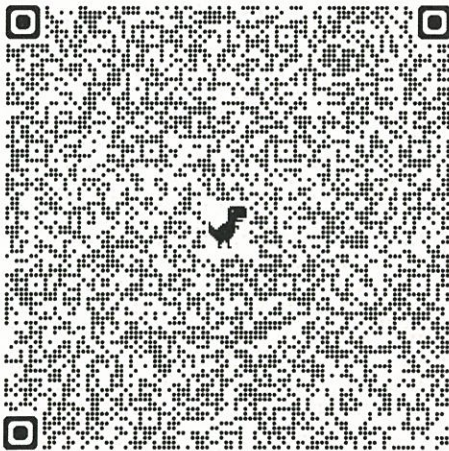
Hello 3rd grade families!

I am very excited to announce that this year the Third graders will be learning to play the Recorder. The Recorder is a small woodwind instrument that is quite simple to play. The Recorder is also inexpensive and the perfect starter instrument for when they begin band and orchestra instruments in middle school. You can purchase a recorder from one of the vendors below. Once purchased the recorder is yours to keep.

Each student should have their recorder by **February 3rd**. Lessons on the Recorder will start The week of February 3rd. There are many types of recorders. **MAKE SURE YOU ORDER A "SOPRANO" RECORDER.**



Here is an amazon link:



You may also call and visit Stewart's Music in Niantic;
860-739-4141

If you have any questions or hardships please contact me at:

kkinsall@griswoldpublicschools.org

Thank you,

Kevin Kinsall, GES Music Teacher



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

BE SURE TO WEAR the color RED Friday February 7th!
NATIONAL WEAR RED DAY for American Heart Health Month

You may already know that February is National Heart Health Month! What better time to engage students in heart healthy happenings while supporting the American Heart Association.

KIDS HEART CHALLENGE has been part of The American Heart Association for 44 years. This is Griswold Elementary School's **16th year** participating in this event to help children who suffer from heart conditions, while at the same time keeping our own heart healthy. We will kick off our campaign February 11-21 during **BOTH** Health and Physical Education classes.

Note: ANYONE WHO REGISTERS ONLINE will receive a KHC Heart Heroes wristband. **We are encouraging all children to gather donations online or by mobile app.** However, if you make a donation by check or cash, please place it in the provided envelope and return it to Mrs. O-P or Mr. Lovell by Friday February 28th. Checks are endorsed: **The American Heart Association.**

PLEASE SEE THE following page with QR code and registration link. Thank you!

If you have any questions, contact:@ rotten-paggioli@griswoldpublicschools.org

Thank you for your support!

Rose Otten Paggioli, Isaiah Lovell
GES Health & Physical Education K-4



Kids Heart Challenge is coming to our school! Join today to make a difference in the fight against heart disease and stroke.

1. Register online and complete Finn's Mission to learn Hands-Only CPR.



Click here to register your student: [GES Kids Heart Challenge](#)

2. Start Finn's Mission to complete your challenges and change lives!

DOUBLE YOUR DONATION

Check to see if your employer has a matching gift program—it could double your donation: [Matching Gift Participating Employers](#)

Thank you so much for supporting our school and the American Heart Association!



League President: Patricia Clark
JCLLPresident@gmail.com



Upcoming Dates & Events

Feb. 14: **Late Registration (+\$50)**
Feb. 27nd: Manager Apps Due
Mar 3rd : **Registration closes**. Manager
Selections & Announcement
Mar 15 or 16th: Baseball/Softball
assessments
Mar 20th: manager meeting
Mar 22st: first practice
Mar 8th, Mar 15th, Mar 22, Apr
5 : Field cleanup
Date April 26 & April 27: Opening Day
events

Parents/Guardians,

The 2025 JCLL Baseball/Softball season is right around the corner. The following newsletter has been published to provide you with key information and changes for the upcoming season. We hope you are as excited as we are for the upcoming season and we will see you at the ballpark. PLAY BALL!

- JCLL Board of Directors

Important Announcements

Umpires Needed!!

For the 2025 season, JCLL will pay for umpiring. Anyone age 16 or older With a league shortage of umpires, parents in stands may be asked to step in as needed to base ump.

Cleanup Equipment Needed

JCLL is looking for any old or unwanted tools that you would like to donate for field maintenance. (Rakes, Shovels, Wheelbarrows, etc.)

Looking to Volunteer? Board Members Needed!

If you are interested in joining please contact any Board Member.

Positions available are: Junior/ Senior League Baseball Coordinator.

Umpire in Chief

Equipment Director

Registrar

Assessments this season.

Details to follow.

2025 assessments Information – Griswold High School

JCLL is a skills-based league when placing players in each division.

All players ages 6-12 must attend assessments.

We will only be having assessments for Baseball/Softball Majors, Minors (player pitch) and Farm (coach pitch). We will have all the information for assessments later; we will send all the details via email.

2024 Registration Information

Registration Fee (before 2/13/25):

\$115/1st child, \$105/2nd child/\$95 3rd child and \$80/TBall

Late Registration Fee (after 2/14/25):

\$165/1st child, \$155/2nd child/\$145 3rd child and \$130/TBall

PLEASE SIGN-UP BEFORE LATE REGISTRATION STARTS! This deadline is set to allow for proper preparation to ensure the season can get started on time.

Registration Options: Online/paperless registration ONLY!

Register Online: Visit www.jewettcitylittleleague.org

* JCLL is a non-profit organization and is run by volunteers. We rely on volunteers to run all the league operations, and this season we will be using JCLL volunteers to assist with the concession stand and a few Opening Day activities.

*This year JCLL will be implementing a non-volunteer fee of \$35. When registering, you will be given the option to either:

1. Pay the \$35 fee up front along with your registration fee to opt out of working the concession stand during the regular season.

2. Waive the fee, committing to work the concession stand during for a minimum of one regular season game.

*We understand that time is valuable to all families in these busy times, but the concession stand is crucial to maintenance of our league/fields and providing the best possible experience for the players. This practice also aligns with all surrounding leagues due to the importance of volunteers.

*If you do choose to waive the fee and do not follow through with the commitment during the regular season, your child will not be eligible to participate in anything that follows until a \$35 fee is paid. This would include All Stars, Fall ball, or the following Spring Season. Any questions please reach out to Amanda Chittick jcllconcessions@gmail.com.

We do offer Volunteer opportunities for community service hours throughout the season, field cleanup, concession stand, ect.

* **PLEASE NOTE:** Payments and registration forms not received online after FEB 13, 2025 will be considered late, and will be assessed the posted "Late Registration Fee" stated above. All registrations received after March 3, 2025 will be placed on a wait list.

Attendance *Matters!*

**Consistent attendance
in elementary school
supports life long
academic success,
social skills, and self
confidence**



We encourage
students to be

- ☒ **At School**
- ☒ **On Time**
- ☒ **Every Day**

**Please reach out to the Support Team
with any concerns about your student's
attendance**



Griswold Elementary School

PTO Updates



Valentine Grams



GES
PTO

Happy Valentine's Day, GES Families! GES PTO is selling Valentine Grams for GES students to be delivered directly to students on Thursday, February 13th. Each Valentine Gram is on sale for \$1.00. In addition to your message on one of the hearts, a lollipop will be added. Please include payment for each gram.

Please complete the entire form with payment and return to GES by Monday, February 10th.

Child's Name: _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____

Grade: (please circle)
PK, K, 1, 2, 3, 4

Message: _____

From: _____

GES
PTO



*Just in case we need to contact you....
Who is this Valentine Gram from?*

Phone Number:

Amount included:

\$ _____

*We accept cash/check
(written out to GES PTO)*

THE **HARLEM WIZARDS** ARE COMING TO TOWN!



VS.



**GHS & GES
WOLVERINES**

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025

Griswold High School

6:30 PM

Doors open at 5:30p

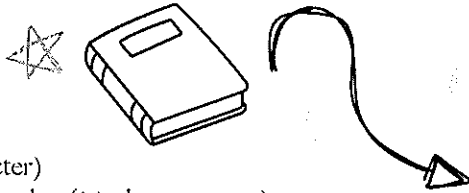
To Purchase Tickets, scan QR code or visit:

[GHSPTO.ORG/FUNDRAISERS](https://ghspto.org/fundraisers)



GES Yearbook Shout Outs!

A yearbook "shout out" is a short message to your GES student that will be printed in the 2024-2025 yearbook and is open to all grades Pre-K thru 4th.



"Sam, you did great this year!"

"Fantastic job in Kindergarten, Ella!"

Devon, you worked so hard this year!

Details:

\$5.00 = Up to 70 Characters

(spaces and punctuation count as a character)

\$1.00 = Additional Character blocks (14 characters)

Payment:

Cash/Checks (made payable to GES PTO)

Shout Out Deadline: Friday, March 28th, 2025

Your Name: _____ Your E-mail: _____ Phone Number: _____

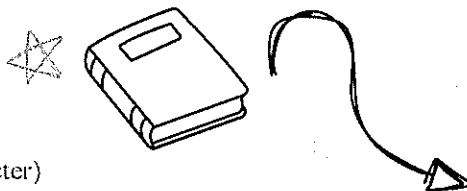
Student's Name (included free): _____

Please form message in the spot below. Please remember to write clearly or feel free to attach a typed version!

Questions? Contact Becky W | GESPTO@griswoldpublicschools.org

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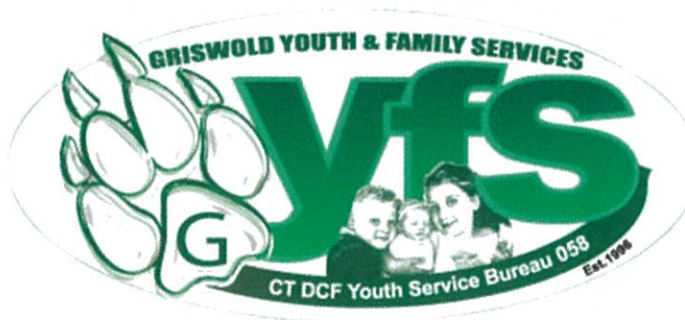
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Town Of Griswold

Youth & Family Services

Updates

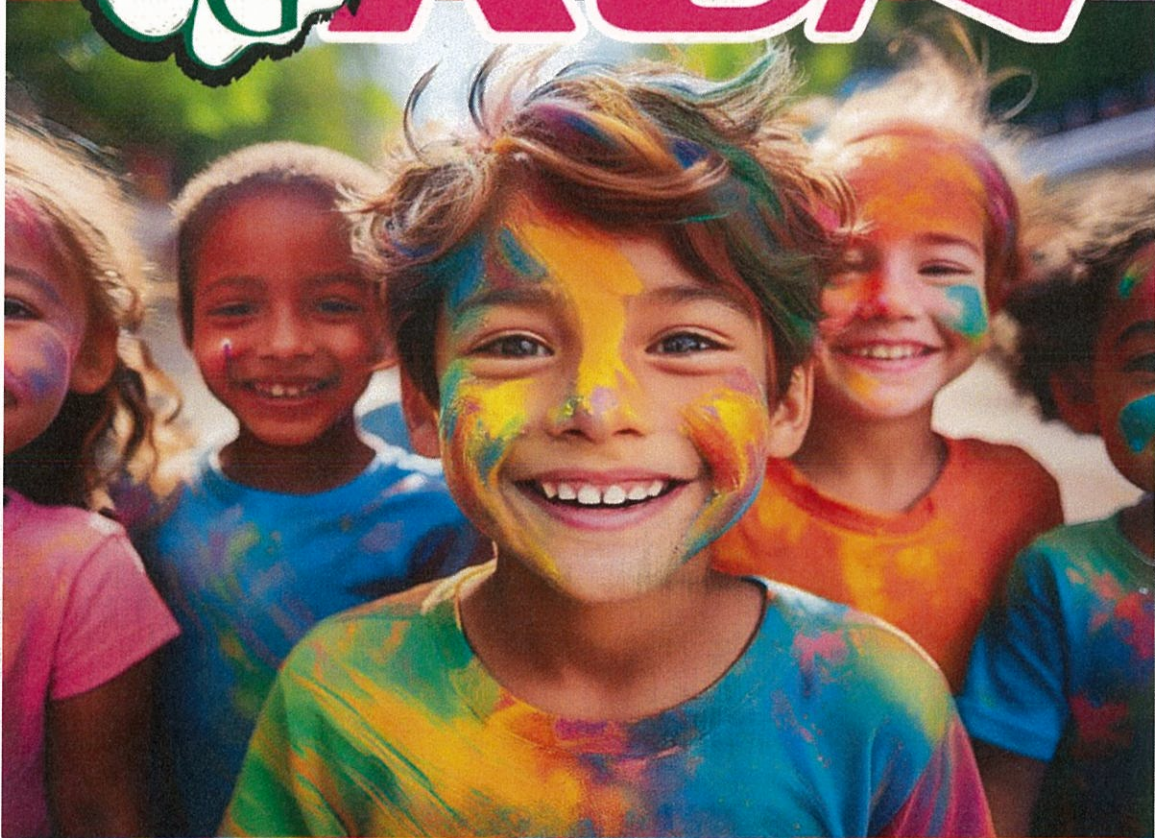


TOWN OF GRISWOLD, CT
Youth & Family Services
Park & Recreation Department
Griswold Youth Service Bureau 58

28 Main Street
Jewett City, CT 06351
(p) 860 376-7026 (w) griswoldyfs.com
(e) director@griswoldyfs.com



COLOR RUN



info coming soon

**ENROLLING IN FEBRUARY
@GRISWOLDREC.ORG**





FEBRUARY MARCH PROGRAMS



TUESDAYS:

3:30-4:30 PM

GRADES: 2-4

FEB 25 & MARCH 4, 11, 18

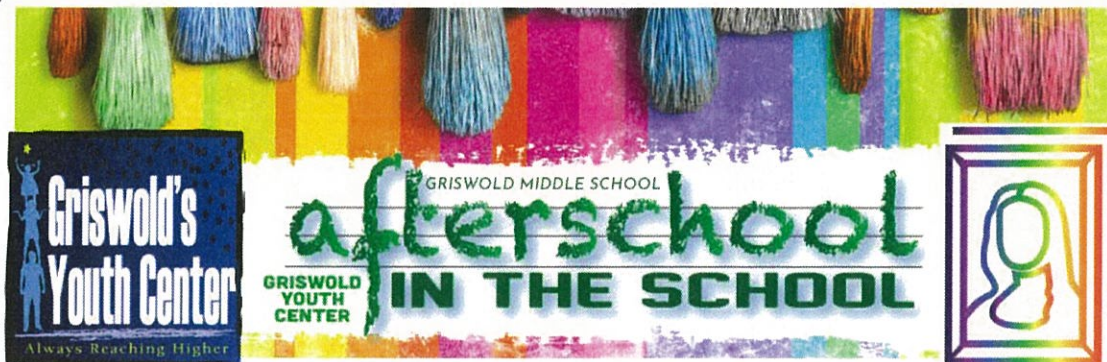
Resident's Fee: \$77.00

CHOCOLATE CONFECTIONS



JOIN FOOD EXPLORERS FOR A CELEBRATION OF CHOCOLATE! EACH WEEK YOU'LL MAKE A DELICIOUSLY SWEET CHOCOLATE CONFECTION. YOU'LL BE MAKING: CHOCOLATE PANCAKE TACOS, CHOCOLATE MINI DONUTS WITH CHOCOLATE GLAZE, CHOCOLATE STRAWBERRY CHEESECAKE CUPS, CHOCOLATE ORANGE PIES. ALL RECIPES ARE NUT-FREE BUT MAY CONTAIN DAIRY, EGGS, AND GLUTEN.

SIGN UP : GRISWOLDREC.ORG



Mona Lisa Studio

CULTIVATING CREATIVE MINDS

After School Art Clubs

GES!

Grades 3&4 Fantasy Art

Wednesdays:

March 12, 19, 26 & Monday 31

GMS!!

Grades 5-8 Glow Art

Mondays:

March 3, 10, 17, 24

\$20

PER STUDENT

Deadline: Feb. 28th

SIGN UP: GRISWOLDREC.ORG

APRIL 5, 2025
Held @ GES | 9 AM - 12 PM

rain or shine

EGGtopia

Community Egg Hunt

EGG HUNTS

🕒 **SENSORY FRIENDLY
(ALL AGES) @ 9-10 am**

🕒 **AGES 1-4 @ 10:30 am
AGES 5-9 @ 11:30 am**

**CRAFTS,
DANCING &
GAMES!
PHOTOS +
EASTER BUNNY!**

may limit to 12 eggs

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**Cal's
Appliance**
QUALITY APPLIANCE REPAIR

GRISWOLD
DENTAL ASSOCIATES

eastern
CT savings bank



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MUSIC IN THE PARK

FREE FAMILY FUN



COMMUNITY YARD SALE

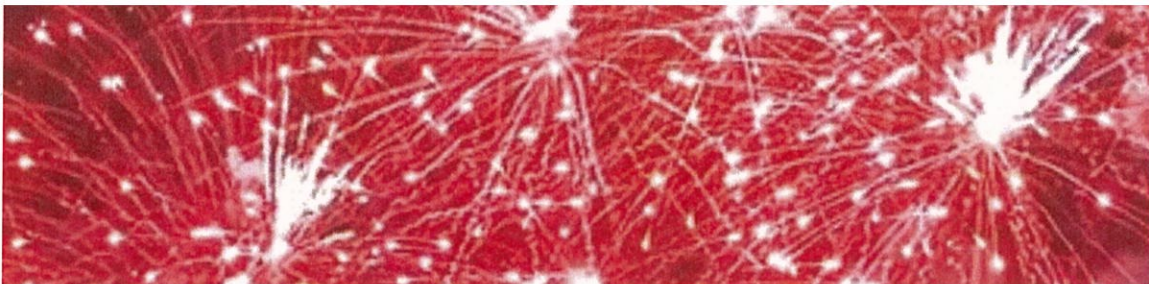
\$10 SPOTS - LIMITED

MAY 3, 2025

YARD SALE 7 AM - 3 PM

MUSIC: 10 AM - 3 PM





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DENTAL ASSOCIATES


Jewett City
Savings Bank
Since 1979

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Equipment, Inc.

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GRISWOLD YOUTH&FAMILY / PARK&REC'S



HELD AT: VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PARK
GPS: 68 Ashland Street, Jewett City

FREE ACTIVITIES: 4 - 7 PM
FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL : 4 - 10 PM
FIREWORKS : 8:30 PM

CALLING ALL NON-PROFITS!

FREE SPOTS & WILL BE ON THE SCAVENGER HUNT!

FOOD TRUCKS WANTED! \$75 FOR A SPOT, LIMITED SPOTS,
FIRST COME FIRST BOOK!

SIGN UP AT: GRISWOLDREC.ORG



WELLNESS/EXERCISE/FITNESS LOCAL OPTIONS

Kokondo Karate

Monday/Thursday @ 7 pm

Call Tom: 860.376.5680

Held at: River Church, 32 School St., Jewett City

Aerobics/Pilates

Monday/Thursdays @ 5:30 pm

Call Tory: 860.859.7922

Held at: River Church, 32 School St., Jewett City

Yoga

Mondays @ 5:45

Call Erica: 860.608.2449

Held at: 879 Voluntown Road

Local Gym/Fitness Center

CT Barbell

Open 7-Days a Week

Call: 860.591.1075

Located in Slater Mill:

39 Wedgewood Drive, Jewett City

Aerial Arts Fitness

(860) 367-2302

Located in Slater Mill:

39 Wedgewood Drive, Jewett City

Local Professional Trainer/Fitness Center

Sessions Wellness Studios

Call Kris: 860.917.0744

Located: 461 Voluntown Road, Jewett City

Local Professional Classes/Fitness Center

Body Love Fit

Call Bonny: 860.608.8198

Located in Slater Mill:

39 Wedgewood Drive, Jewett City

ALL YOUTH SPORTS:

griswoldrec.org

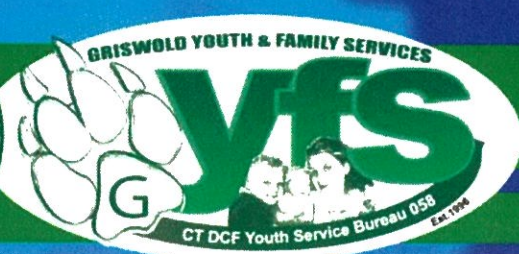
VIEW ALL SPORTS, EXERCISE & WELLNESS OPTIONS AT:

griswoldrec.org

Griswold Nutrition Drinks, Snacks + More

(860) 382-9231
In Slater Mill, 39 Wedgewood Drive

WOLVERINE FIT



SUPPORTING LOCAL BUSINESS

GRISWOLDREC.ORG

GRISWOLD & LISBON PICKLEBALL CLUB

Various Days Available

We love to see new faces and all levels are welcome! This is a just for fun meetup league!

How to Play?

- Download TEAMREACH App
- Use Code: LM169
- Locations in both Towns.
- Griswold will supply Waivers to be signed before playing.



SIGN WAIVER



NON-PROFIT YOUTH SPORTS

**REC BBALL
TRAVEL BBALL**

**Town of Griswold
Park & Rec**

griswoldrec.org

**WRESTLING
CLUB**

**Town of Griswold
Park & Rec**

griswoldrec.org

**FOOTBALL
FLAG & CHEER**

griswoldyouthfootballandcheer.com

**SOCCER
OUT/INDOOR**

griswoldsoccer.org

**T-BALL
SOFT/BASEBALL**

jewettcitylittleleague.org

**LACROSSE
CLUB**

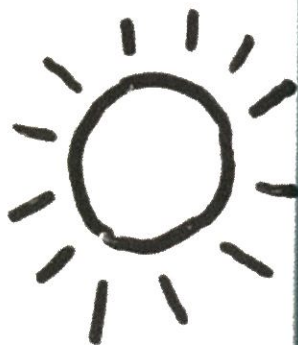
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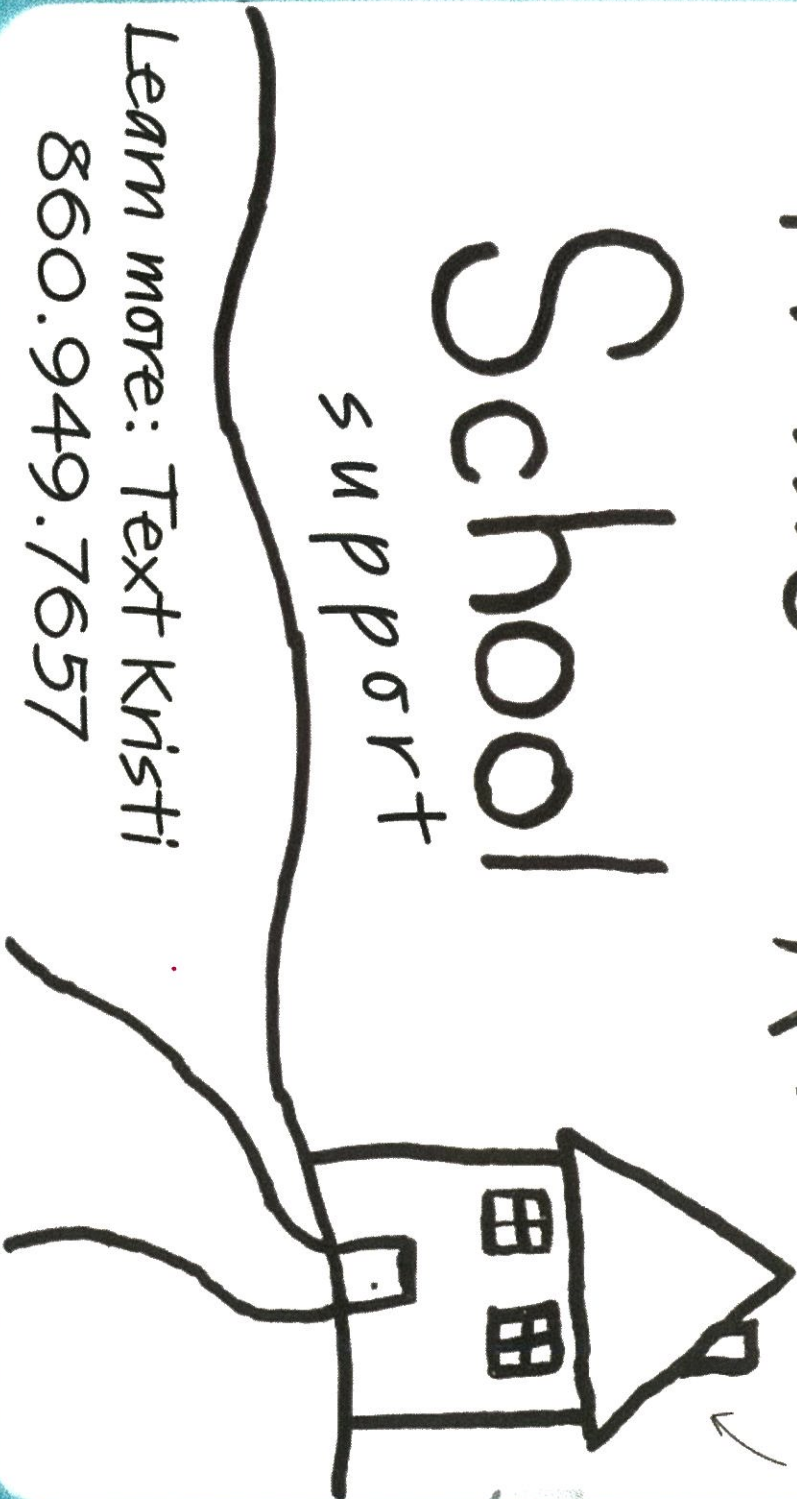
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The Griswold
Youth Center



Learn more: Text Kristi
860.949.7657