



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

The February trait of the month is Compassion.

As we continue Black History Month, today we recognize Rose Marie McCoy. Ever wonder who is really behind the lyrics of some famous artists' most famous songs? Well, Rose Marie McCoy could have been one of those people. In the 1950s, McCoy broke into the mostly white, male-dominated music business and became a highly sought-after songwriter whose career lasted over six decades. Throughout her long-running career, she wrote over 850 songs and jingles for the likes of Elvis, Aretha Franklin, Nat King Cole, Ike and Tina Turner, Ray Charles, and more.

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The GCHS Speech Team qualified for the IHSA State tournament held in Peoria, IL Feb 20-21

Qualifier:

Bug Wise - State Qualifier in Extemp
Speaking placing second and Impromptu
Speaking placing third

Landon Phillips, Mackenzie Garcia, Khloe Nicol, Jesus Atilano, Hailey Jensen, Lily Booker, Gabriela Gutierrez, Brooke Babillis, Peyton Shipley, Carleigh Graham, Delaynie Carnahan, Madyson Talley, Kaniyah Hunter, Lily Kupinski and Ava Ghirardi - State

Qualifiers in Performance In the Round
placing third

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Applications for the Granite City Federation of Educational Professionals - Local 743 scholarships are currently available.

Four \$500 scholarships will be awarded this year to graduating seniors of Local 743 members.

Six \$500 scholarships will be awarded to GCHS graduating seniors.

To be eligible, applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5/5.0 or a 2.75/4.0.

Email Mrs. Bell, sara.bell@gcsd9.net, for the scholarship application or stop by room 217.

Any questions, email Mrs. Bell or Dr. Baileygaines.

The deadline for submitting completed applications is Friday, March 27, 2026.

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ASVAB testing is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10th at 7:50am in room 353. If you are interested, please see Mrs. Voss in the Guidance Office to sign up for the test.

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ASL Club Meetings are every Thursday from 2:30 - 3:00 in Room 53. Bring a friend!

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The next Chess Club meeting will be on March 2nd in room 156 from 2:30 to 3:30 PM. Come learn, practice, and hang out playing the exciting game of Chess!

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GCHS is now a Unified Champion School powered by Special Olympics and our students in the Life Skills class are excited to present **Respect Week!**

Respect Week celebrates the importance of understanding, acceptance, and respect for every member of our school community. This year's theme is "**Wild, Wild, Respect.**" It will be a dress up week March 2nd - 6th and will help to promote awareness and we hope everyone will join in on the fun! We are selling shirts!

Shirts are red and only cost \$12.00. Orders will be accepted until **February 25th** to allow enough time for students to create and deliver them.

So, look around the building and find a flyer, scan the QR code, buy the shirt, and support your peers! You can also look for us during your lunch hour.

Thank you for your support in helping make Respect Week meaningful and memorable!

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Attention Students, Auditions for the 2026-2027 Marching Warriors Color Guard will be this week from 2:30pm-4:30pm on Tuesday February 17th, for a spin clinic and Thursday, February 19th, for a review and auditions in the GCHS PAC. You will be taught everything you will need to know! Please reach out to Mr. Cowley for all of your questions. See you there!

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Congratulations to our Steel City Winter Guard, bringing home another 1st place WIN! The Winterguard has decided to extend our season and have added the Edwardsville MCCA Winter Guard Competition to our season. Come out and support your Warriors on March 7th!

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Hey Science Club! Reminder that our next meeting is today after school in Mrs. Woodard's Room, room 119. We will be discussing the agenda for next weekend's Science Club trip and the camping trip, as well as collecting recycling items. Can't make it? Talk with Mrs. W or see the agenda posted in Google Classroom.

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NOW IN SPORTS NEWS:

Calling all boys tennis players. There will be a short informational meeting for boys tennis on Wednesday, February 18 after school in room 206. No experience needed, coach

Vaughn will teach you all you need to know. Make sure to bring a friend.

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Congratulations to the Lady Warrior Wrestlers! Ma'Kayla Bonner made it to the blood round. Audrey Barnes punched her ticket to State with 2nd place and Demi Barnes made history as the 1st ever Granite City High School Girl's Sectional Champion! Way to make us proud!

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Congratulations to our boys wrestlers as well, who also fought with true determination. Raymond Morales secured a fantastic win on day one but unfortunately fell just short on day two. Jace Brown had a tough quarterfinal loss on day one but rallied back to fight through to the blood rounds, where he lost a closely contested decision. Eli Miller kicked off strong, winning his first two matches on day one. After a semi-final loss, he bounced back with an impressive pin in the blood round, securing our one and only state qualifier.

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 **SENIOR NIGHT — TONIGHT!** We proudly honor our Boys Basketball players and managers, Pep Band members, Dance Team, and Basketball Cheerleaders for their dedication, leadership, and Warrior spirit.

 **FANS: WEAR YOUR YELLOW!**
Let's pack the gym in YELLOW to support and celebrate our seniors at tonight's Boys Basketball game.

Come early, be loud, and help us make this a night to remember for the Class of 2026.
Once a Warrior, Always a Warrior.

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