



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, February 23, 2026

The February trait of the month is Compassion.

As we continue our celebration of Black History Month, today we recognize Althea Gibson.

Before there was Serena Williams, there was Althea Gibson.

Gibson was more than just an American tennis player and professional golfer, she was also one of the first Black athletes to bypass the color divide of international tennis. In 1956, she won a Grand Slam title—the first African-American to do so. In the '60s, she made even more history as the first Black competitor on the women's pro golf tour.

In 1971, Gibson was inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame, and later served as Commissioner of Athletics for the State of New Jersey.

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The St. Louis Cardinals have provided ticket vouchers to students that earned an "A" average or better in the first semester of this school year. Please stop by Ms. Bush's office to pick up your voucher if you qualify. These vouchers can be redeemed for 2 (two) tickets to any Monday - Thursday St. Louis Cardinals home game with the exception of Opening Day and Chicago Cubs games.

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ATTENTION SENIORS & ELIGIBLE JUNIOR GRADS PARTICIPATING IN GRADUATION:

If you have not ordered your cap and gown for Jostens, please do so IMMEDIATELY to guarantee delivery in time for graduation. The cap and gown are a requirement for participation in the graduation ceremony and must be ordered from JOSTENS. You can order by calling 1-618-654-1001 or online at www.jostens.com. **Cap and gown distribution day will be Wednesday, April 8th in the cafeteria during lunch periods.**

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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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Respect Week is next week, March 2nd - March 6th. This is a special opportunity for schools and communities across Illinois to celebrate inclusion, acceptance, and respect for people of all abilities.

Our school will be hosting a dress-up week to promote awareness, and we hope everyone will join in the fun! Each day will feature a different color theme representing various abilities, along with activities during lunch periods.

Don't forget to buy your Wild Wild Warrior shirt to wear on Friday, March 6th.

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. Stop by room 129 or 123 during your lunch to purchase.

Let's come together, show our support, and celebrate what makes us unique! TOGETHER WE WARRIOR!!

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Debaters! We will have practice next Wednesday directly after school. Please email your cases to Coach Pennell-Davis. Let's make an IMPACT!

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NOW IN SPORTS NEWS:

The girls track team kicked off their indoor season this weekend at Gately Track in Chicago. On the track the girls had several PR's! In the field Lauren Willaredt became the first GCHS athlete in school history to throw the weight throw and Sophie Davison placed 5th in the shot put!! Way to go Girls!

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