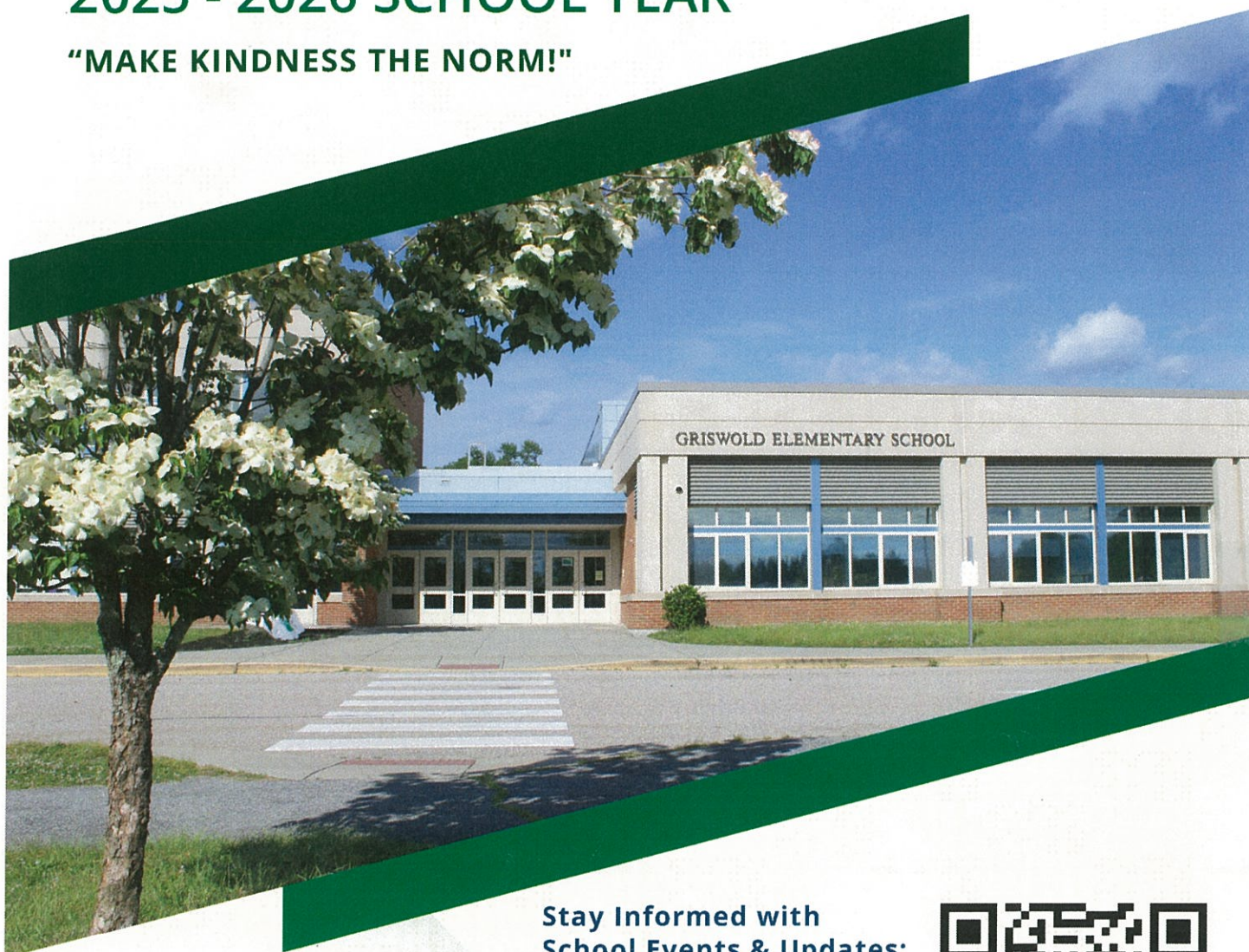
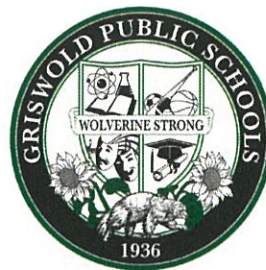


GRISWOLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY FOLDER

2025 - 2026 SCHOOL YEAR

"MAKE KINDNESS THE NORM!"



**Stay Informed with
School Events & Updates:**

- School Flyers
- Community Flyers
- Youth Center Flyers

Contact the GES Main Office at 860-376-7610

<https://ges.griswoldpublicschools.org/about/wednesday-folders>



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**



Help Your Child Do Well in School: Build the Habit of Good Attendance



Did you know?

- Too many absences in preschool and elementary school can cause children to struggle socially and academically.
- Being late to school may lead to poor attendance.
- Missing 10% of school (2 days each month) can make it harder to learn to read and do basic math.

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school — and themselves. Start building this habit in preschool and through elementary school so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day, is important.



What you can do

- Set a **regular** bedtime and morning **routine**.
- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks **the night before**.
- **Keep** your child **healthy** and make sure your child has the required shots.
- Develop **backup plans** for getting to school if something comes up.
- **Monitor** your child's **absences**.
- Try to schedule **nonurgent medical appointments** and extended trips when school isn't in session.
- If your child seems **anxious** about going to school, **talk to teachers**, school counselors and other parents for advice on how to make your child feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- If you are **concerned** that your child may have a contagious illness, **call** your school nurse or health-care provider **for advice**. Ask the teacher for ideas to support missed learning time.

Chronic absence is missing 2+ days every month over the course of a school year.

September	October	November	December	January
M T W TH F	M T W TH F	M T W TH F	M T W TH F	M T W TH F
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
February	March	April	May	June
M T W TH F	M T W TH F	M T W TH F	M T W TH F	M T W TH F
✓	✓	✓		✓
✓	✓	✓		✓



LUNCH

MARCH 2026

GRISWOLD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

2
CHICKEN NUGGETS
FRENCH FRIES
BREAD STICK, CORN
STRAWBERRIES, MILK

3
QUESSADILLA
CHICKEN OR CHEESE
BEANS, BROCCOLI
PEARS, MILK

4
CHEESEBURGER
SWEET POTATO FRIES
GREEN BEANS
PEACHES
MILK

5
CHICKEN PATTY
PEAS & CARROTS
MIXED BERRY CUP
MILK

6
PIZZA CHOICE
TOSSED SALAD
APPLESAUCE
MILK

9
CHEESEBURGER
SWEET POTATO FRIES
GREEN BEANS
PEACHES
MILK

10
BEEF NACHOS
BEANS & CORN
PEARS, CRAISINS
JUICE, MILK

11
PASTA W/ MEATSAUCE
GARLIC KNOT
GREENBEANS
MIXED FRUIT, CRAISINS
JUICE, MILK

12
MOZZERELLA STICKS
CARROTS
BREADSTICK
APPLE, MILK

13
PIZZA CHOICE
TOSSED SALAD
APPLESAUCE
MILK

16
CHICKEN NUGGETS
FRENCH FRIES, CORN
ROLL, CRAISINS, JUICE
STRAWBERRY CUP, MILK

17
SOFT TACO
BEANS & MIXED VEG.
PEARS, CRAISINS
JUICE, MILK

18
PASTA W/ MEATSAUCE
GARLIC KNOT
GREENBEANS
MIXED FRUIT, CRAISINS
JUICE, MILK

19
FRENCH TOAST STICKS
SAUSAGE, HASH BROWN
CARROTS
PEACHES, MILK

20
PIZZA CHOICE
TOSSED SALAD
APPLESAUCE
MILK

23
CHEESEBURGER
SWEET POTATO FRIES
GREEN BEANS
PEACHES
MILK

24
CHICKEN NACHOS
BEANS & CORN
PEARS, CRAISINS
JUICE, MILK

25
PASTA W/ MEATSAUCE
GARLIC KNOT
GREENBEANS
MIXED FRUIT, CRAISINS
JUICE, MILK

26
MOZZERELLA STICKS
CARROTS
BREADSTICK
APPLE, MILK

27
PIZZA CHOICE
TOSSED SALAD
APPLESAUCE
MILK

30
CHICKEN NUGGETS
FRENCH FRIES, CORN
ROLL, CRAISINS, JUICE
STRAWBERRY CUP, MILK

31
QUESADILLA
BEANS & MIXED VEG.
PEARS, CRAISINS
JUICE, MILK

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

BREAD OFFERINGS ARE
WHOLE GRAIN. MILK
OFFERINGS ARE 1%
WHITE OR FATFREE FLA-
VORED. MILK IS OF-
FERED AT EVERY MEAL.

THE USDA IS AN
EQUAL
OPPORTUNITY
PROVIDER AND
EMPLOYER

MY
SCHOOL
BUCKS

PAY FOR MEALS ONLINE
MySchoolBucks.com



Support Gabby's TPIAT Transplant



Gabby is an 8 year old with a rare genetic mutation of CPA1 gene causing acute recurrent and chronic pancreatitis as well as exocrine pancreatic insufficiency. Her pancreas doesn't work correctly and she lives with chronic debilitating pain. This causes frequent absences whether school or extracurricular, sharp/stabbing abdominal pain, nausea/vomiting, and as needed every four hours 5mg of morphine that has been ineffective. Gabby is having surgery 4/14/26 in Columbus, OH to remove four organs including the pancreas permanently and transplanting islet cells from the pancreas to the liver. She has a long and grueling surgery and recover time.

This procedure requires her mom, a registered nurse at Westerly Hospital to relocate with her to OH for up to 12 weeks. It requires her dad, a supervisor at Electric Boat to stay behind and care for the other siblings. It will leave her an insulin dependent diabetic potentially for the rest of her life. Hopefully, it will get rid of her pain and allow a better quality of life. No other options are available due to this mutation. Follow ups are every 2-3 months in OH for the first year and every 4-6 months the second year. Between all her hospitalizations and travel between Boston Children's and Nationwide Children's Hospitals it has depleted the families savings.

At this time, the family has made a go fund me to help them stay afloat with both parents out of work. Additionally, t-shirts are being sold to raise awareness and show Gabby support. Proceeds from t-shirt purchases will also be donated to the family.

Please help this loving family and their little girl



Buy a t-shirt today to support Gabby's cause.
Proceeds are donated to the family. Wear your
shirt the day of surgery and send to
gabbystrongtpiat@gmail.com for her to see



ORDER YOUR GRISWOLD FIELD DAY GEAR TODAY!

- These Top Quality items are great for school events, field trips, and everyday use!
- Remember to include Brothers and Sisters, Moms and Dads!
- Orders will be delivered in 3 - 4 weeks.



Scan Code to Visit Store

ORDERING DEADLINE

FRIDAY APRIL 10, 2026

Absolutely NO Orders Will Be Accepted After Deadline!



ONLINE ORDERING AVAILABLE AT:
[HTTPS://GRISWOLD26.ITEMORDER.COM](https://griswold26.itemorder.com)

If Ordering Online, Please Do NOT Submit paper form!

(This is your design)

MANUFACTURER'S SIZE DESCRIPTION			
SHIRTS	Youth Small 6 - 8	Youth Medium 10 - 12	Youth Large 14 - 16
PANTS	Youth Small 6 - 8	Youth Medium 10 - 12	Youth Large 14 - 16

⚠ Because these are custom made items, we cannot accept returns or exchanges for incorrect sizes and colors ordered.

• Orders due: **FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2026**

• Checks payable to: **GRISWOLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**
(include payment with order)

TEE SHIRT	
YOUTH \$14.00 ADULT \$16.00 XXL \$18.00 ITEM COLOR ASSIGNED BY GRADE	 100% Cotton Heavy Weight
Youth Sizes Y-S Y-M Y-L	Adult Sizes S M L XL XXL
Please enter a QUANTITY IN BOXES, NOT "X"	

DRI-FIT STYLE SHORTS	
YOUTH \$20.00 ADULT \$22.00 XXL \$24.00 ITEM COLOR BLACK	 Dri-fit Style Shorts
Youth Sizes Y-S Y-M Y-L	Adult Sizes S M L XL XXL
Please enter a QUANTITY IN BOXES, NOT "X"	

STAFF SHIRTS	
YOUTH ADULT \$25.00 XXL \$27.00 ITEM COLOR RAINBOW	 100% Cotton Heavy Weight Please Select 1 Size Larger Than You Need
Youth Sizes Y-S Y-M Y-L	Adult Sizes S M L XL XXL
Please enter a QUANTITY IN BOXES, NOT "X"	

STAFF SHIRTS	
YOUTH ADULT \$16.00 XXL \$18.00 ITEM COLOR LIME GREEN	 100% Cotton Heavy Weight
Youth Sizes Y-S Y-M Y-L	Adult Sizes S M L XL XXL
Please enter a QUANTITY IN BOXES, NOT "X"	

Tee colors have been assigned by grade
no substitutions

Pre-K - Red
K - Orange
1 - Yellow
2 - Kelly Green
3 - Hot Pink

Staff:
Lime Green
or
Tie-Dye Rainbow

NAME	GRADE	HOMEROOM TEACHER
TOTAL NUMBER OF GARMENTS ORDERED	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE	PHONE NUMBER (with area code)

After-School Soccer at GES!

for GES students of all ages and skill levels!

Starting April 23rd

**Thursdays (4/23 to
6/4/2026)**

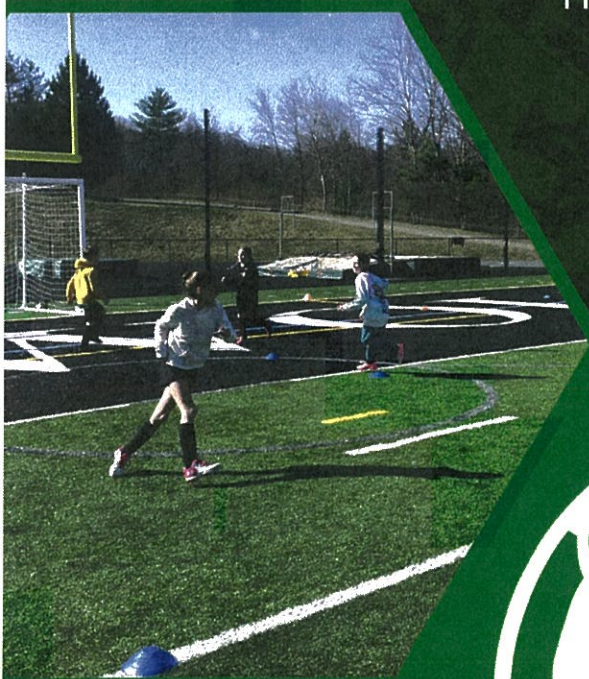
3:15 - 4:15pm

with Coach Connor McManus and Griswold
High School soccer players!

**Griswold Elementary
School Field**

(Directly next to
Griswold Elementary
School)

FREE!



Sign up by completing the permission slip in your Wednesday
folder and returning it to your teacher by Tuesday 4/21!

GES Spring Soccer: Spring 2026 - Permission Form



Dates: Thursdays in April and May

- April 23rd through June 4th

Players: Any GES student is eligible to participate

- **Player Limit:** 30 players

Time: 3:15 to 4:15pm (Clean up is 4:15-4:20pm)

- Pick up is promptly at 4:20 p.m. at the soccer field bleachers
 - The field is the soccer field in between Griswold Elementary School and Griswold Middle School (next to the GMS parking lot and main entrance)

Equipment:

- Students must wear soccer cleats or sneakers in order to participate
- All other equipment (soccer balls, cones, goals, etc.) will be provided by the coaches

After School Information:

Students' Name: _____ has my permission to stay after school for Spring Soccer. I will pick up at 4:20pm or have them attend Wolverines Forward afterwards. Students attending Wolverines Forward will be walked back to GES by 4:30pm.

Circle One Option: They **WILL / WILL NOT** attend Wolverines Forward after practice.

Their GES classroom teacher is: _____.

Does your student have any medical concerns? If so, please write them below:

Contact Information:

Parent Name (Printed): _____

Parent Phone Number: _____

Parent Email Address: _____

Parent signature: _____

Please return this form to the GES main office by Tuesday, April 21st and email Coach McManus at cmcmanus@griswoldpublicschools.org with any questions. Looking forward to seeing you out on the soccer field!

GES Spring Soccer: Spring 2026 - Player Rules

Welcome to GES Spring Soccer 2026! Please read the following rules before our first practice on April 23rd:



1. DATES:

- a. You are signed up to go to practice on Thursdays, starting April 23rd and ending on June 4th

2. EQUIPMENT:

- a. You will need to wear sneakers or soccer cleats to practice; you will not be allowed to play in anything else
- b. Make sure you are dressed in clothing that you can play in, there is no time to change before practice

3. ATTENDANCE:

- a. Parents and guardians will pick you up at the soccer field bleachers at 4:15
- b. Your parent or guardian must check out with Coach McManus before you leave
- c. If someone besides your primary pick up will be at check out, your parent or guardian will need to send an email to Coach McManus by 12:00pm the day of practice
- d. If you are not coming to practice, your parent or guardian will need to send an email to Coach McManus by 12:00pm the day of practice
- e. If you miss more than two unexcused practices, you may be asked not to return

4. CANCELLATIONS:

- a. If practice is canceled (ie. weather, other reasons) it will be done by 12:00pm the day of practice
- b. There will be a connect-ed call to your contact number and mass email sent out

5. BEHAVIOR:

- a. You are asked to respect the space, respect each other, and respect the game
 - i. Respect the space: Keeping the field clean and organized
 - ii. Respect each other: Listening to coaches and teammates, showing good sportsmanship, being nice to one another
 - iii. Respect the game: Following the rules of an activity or game, trying your best
- b. You will be given one reminder to follow these standards
 - i. Second Reminder: You will be asked to sit out and discuss your behavior with Coach McManus before re-entering
 - ii. Third Reminder: You will be asked to sit out and discuss your behavior with Coach McManus and your parent or guardian at check out

GRISWOLD HIGH SCHOOL DRAMA PRESENTS

SHREK

THE
MUSICAL

April 23-25

7:00 PM

TICKETS available at
WWW.GRISWOLDDRAMA.ORG

GEEP's Week of the Young Child SPIRIT WEEK!

The Week of the Young Child is a nationally recognized celebration of children, their accomplishments and their families. Although we are always aware of just how special each and every child is every day of the year, this special time of year simply gives us a reason to highlight young children.

This year, our preschool will celebrate Week of the Young Child the week of April 20th ~ 24th. As a preschool community, we have organized some activities during the week to commemorate children and their families. Please help us celebrate our young children and participate in the following activities!

Please turn this page over to see our spirit week!



The Week of the young Child

SPIRIT WEEK!

Movement
Monday

Wear your athletic
gear or workout
clothes!



Tasty
Tuesday

Wear your fanciest
clothes. Dress for fine
dining!



World-
Together
Wednesday

Match with a twin
or team!



Artsy
Thursday

Wear your
favorite color!



Family
Friday

Show your Griswold
pride by wearing green
and white!





Save The Dates!

Spring Concerts:

Kindergarten: May 6th

1st Grade: May 14th

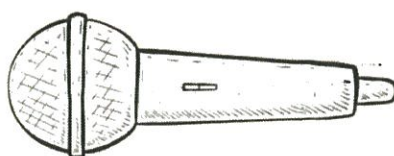
2nd Grade: May 19th

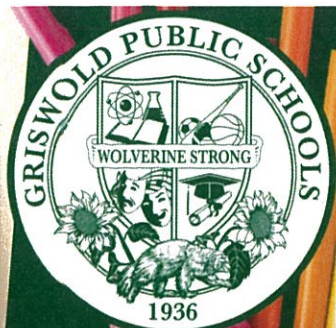
3rd Grade: May 21st

4th Grade: May 27th

ALL CONCERTS WILL BE HELD AT 6PM AND
7PM IN THE GES CAFETERIA

PLEASE EMAIL ANY QUESTIONS TO
CHARRIS@GRISWOLDPUBLICSCHOOLS.ORG





GRISWOLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Children who are 5 before
September 1, 2026 are eligible*

Register for the
2026-2027 School Year



SCAN
ME



Scan the QR code and complete the form to start the
registration process.

Families can find the Registration Packet
and more information about Kindergarten
on our district's website.

****Please note ALL registration materials are needed
before your child can be fully enrolled.****

*Children already enrolled in Griswold Early Education Program who are
eligible for Kindergarten are automatically registered in Kindergarten
and do not need to attend the screening.*

*Kindergarten
Screening will be
held on May 22nd.
Staff will be in touch
to schedule your
child's appointment
time.*

**CONTACT
US TODAY!**

**Children born between September 1 - December 31, 2021,
must submit the waiver application for early entry to
kindergarten. Waivers are due by May 1st!*

griswoldpublicschools.org

Griswold Elementary School
303 Slater Avenue, Griswold
(860) 376-7610

ECholewa@griswoldpublicschools.org



Griswold Elementary School

PTO Updates

GES PTO PRESENTS

SUPER MARIO COIN WARS



March 1 - March 31st



ALL PROCEEDS POWER UP THE GES PTO



Backing school events, magical enrichment, and community fun!



Each grade teams up with a Super Mario character to grab the most points!



TEAM CHARACTERS

PRE-K - TOAD

KINDERGARTEN - PRINCESS PEACH

1ST GRADE - YOSHI

2ND GRADE - MARIO

3RD GRADE - LUIGI

4TH GRADE - BOWSER



POINT VALUES

(EVERY COIN IS A GAME-CHANGER!)



COIN | ★ POINTS |

| \$1 BILL | 100 |

| QUARTER | 25 |

| DIME | 10 |

| NICKEL | 5 |

| PENNY | 1 |



HOW TO WIN



Toss spare change into your grade's jar.

Coins are tallied and added to each grade's score.

The grade with the **most points scores the win!**



LET'S-A GO



GRAND
PRIZE:
ICE CREAM
PARTY!

TO a FUNDRAISING SHOPPING event FOR

where 160 River Rd Lisbon, CT 06351

it's simple! 10% of the purchases made by members of your group will be donated back to your organization.

simply present this flyer to a member of our WOW CREW at the time of purchase.

please note that we do not allow flyers to be handed out in our store or shopping center at any time before, during or after your event.

this section to be completed by five below associate

purchase amount (pre-tax) \$ _____

register (circle one)	1	2	3	4	5	6
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associate name _____

fivebelow.com



LAUNCH
FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

GRISWOLD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTO
FUNDRAISER

ONLINE SALES - APRIL 5 - 11

\$27 1 HOUR JUMP & 20 ARCADE CREDITS

GET YOUR TICKET HERE: [TINYURL.COM/LAUNCHRI](https://tinyurl.com/launchrhi)

YOUR ORGANIZATION GETS UP TO

20% BACK

OF TICKET SALES WHEN YOU BOOK ONLINE

Not to be combine with other offers.

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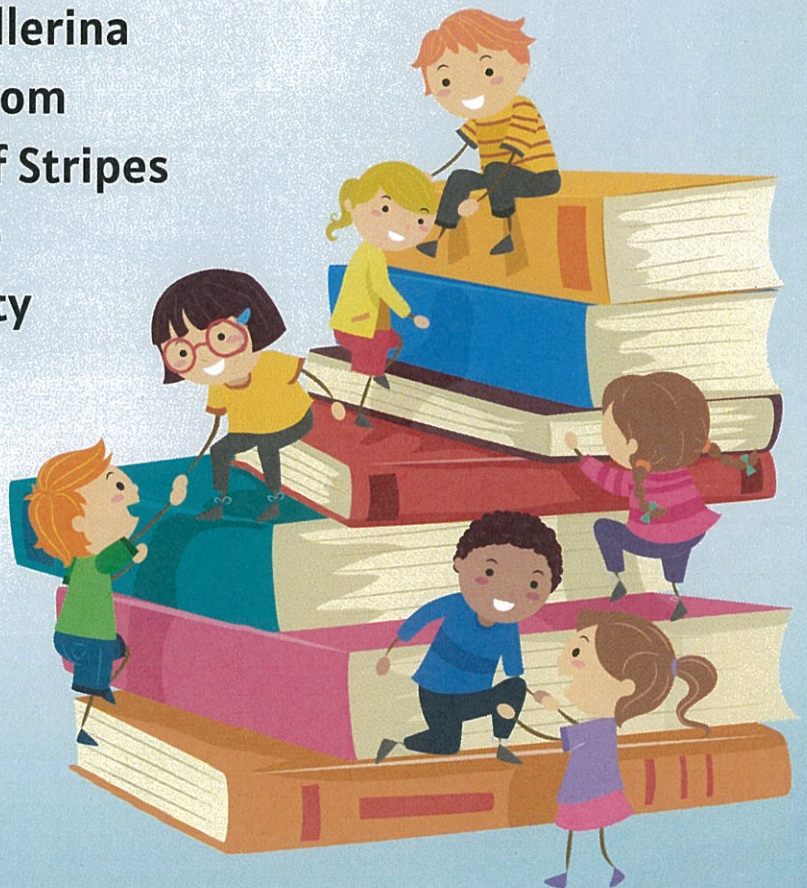
GES PTO

**DRESS LIKE YOUR FAVORITE
BOOK CHARACTER DAY
TUESDAY, APRIL 7TH 2026**

**Kick off the Book Fair in style—
dress up as your favorite book character!
Keep it simple and let your creativity shine!**

Some ideas from past years:

- Fancy Nancy • Angelina Ballerina
- Chicka Chicka Boom Boom
- Where's Waldo • Bad Case of Stripes
- Elephant and Piggie
- Pete the Cat • Bad Kitty
- Paper Bag Princess
- Charlotte's Web



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

JOIN US FOR THE BUY 1 GET 1 FREE SPRING BOOK FAIR!

This year we are offering before school, after school, and during school shopping opportunities!



4/7 *

7:00-8:30 AM

4/8 *

3:30-6:00PM

4/9

3:30-6:00PM

***4/7 + 4/8**

Students who have signed up will be brought to
the Book Fair during the school day!
[Sign up Here](#) for daytime visits!



Scan for the book fair website and to create your digital wallet!



GES PTO Presents

3RD & 4TH GRADE

Glow Dance

FRIDAY, MAY 8TH

6:30PM TO 8:30 PM

Celebrate the end of the school year with
a glowing night of music, friends, and
memories under the lights!

**TICKETS: \$5 PER STUDENT
(ADULTS NO FEE)**

Food and spirit sticks available for sale.
Adults must stay on site for the entirety of
the event. No drop-offs

Join In-Person
or Virtually!

GES PTO

Free childcare
available!

MEETING REMINDER

APRIL 7TH AT 6PM

MEETING INFO

WHO: All are welcome to attend the PTO meetings – no commitment necessary!

WHERE: GES Library

WHEN: 2nd Tuesday of each month (unless otherwise notes)

2026 Dates:

- May 12th @ 4PM
- June 9th @ 4PM

Free childcare at meetings!

*Virtual meeting is an option



CONTACT US

 gespto@griswoldpublicschools.org

 Check us out on Facebook



MEETING AGENDA

- Continued discussion on 2026 fundraisers
- Continued discussion on end of year events
- Subcommittee for Glow Dance
- Field Day Check-in
- Yearbook Check-in

VIRTUAL OPTION

<https://meet.google.com/ayf-onfp-tbx>

NOTE: The Google Meet link changes each month, so please only use the link in the updated meeting reminder and/or agenda.



PTO Student Shout Outs!

TWO WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

Monthly Grade-Level Shout-Out Board

Each month, two grade levels are featured on our special shout-out bulletin board!

Send a message of encouragement, congratulations, or just plain love to your student!

Month	Grade
October	Pre-K + Kindergarten
November/December	1 st + 2 nd
January	3 rd + 4 th
February	Pre-K + Kindergarten
March	1 st + 2 nd
April	3 rd + 4 th
May	Teachers!

-OR-

Monthly Birthday Shout-Out Board

Open to ALL students and staff!

Make their special day extra sweet by featuring their name and a message on our Birthday Board during their birthday month!

Scan here to sign up!



Pricing:

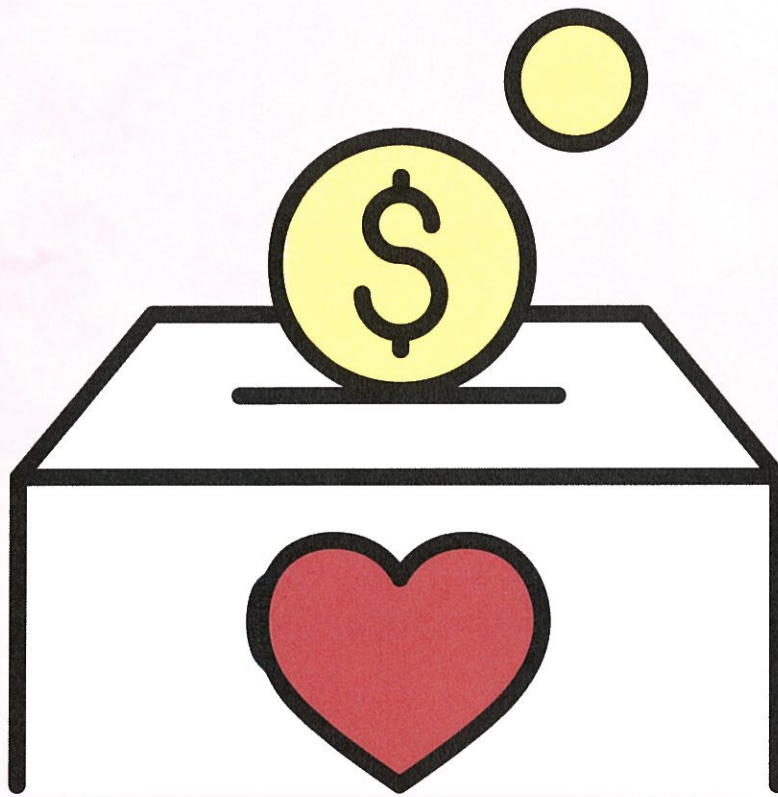
\$5.00

(funding PTO efforts!)

Deadline for April 2026 Boards:

Friday, March 27th!

Questions? Contact GESPTO@griswoldpublicschools.org



WE CARE WEDNESDAYS!

SPIRIT DAYS FOR CHARITY

APRIL 22ND

April's theme:

Princesses and Superheros!

April's Charity:

GES Student, Gabby Murray's
TPIAT Surgery Fundraiser

Donate \$1 via
Venmo or Cash
GES PTO Venmo: GES-PTO-2

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS -
WE NEED YOUR HELP!**



Current Sign-Ups

April 7th-9th Book Fair

Now-May 8th Glow Dance

Committee

May 8th - Glow Dance Night

Help us create great experiences for our kids and
community by volunteering with the GES PTO!

Future Sign-Ups

May- Teacher Appreciation
Week

June- Field Day help and
other end-of-year events

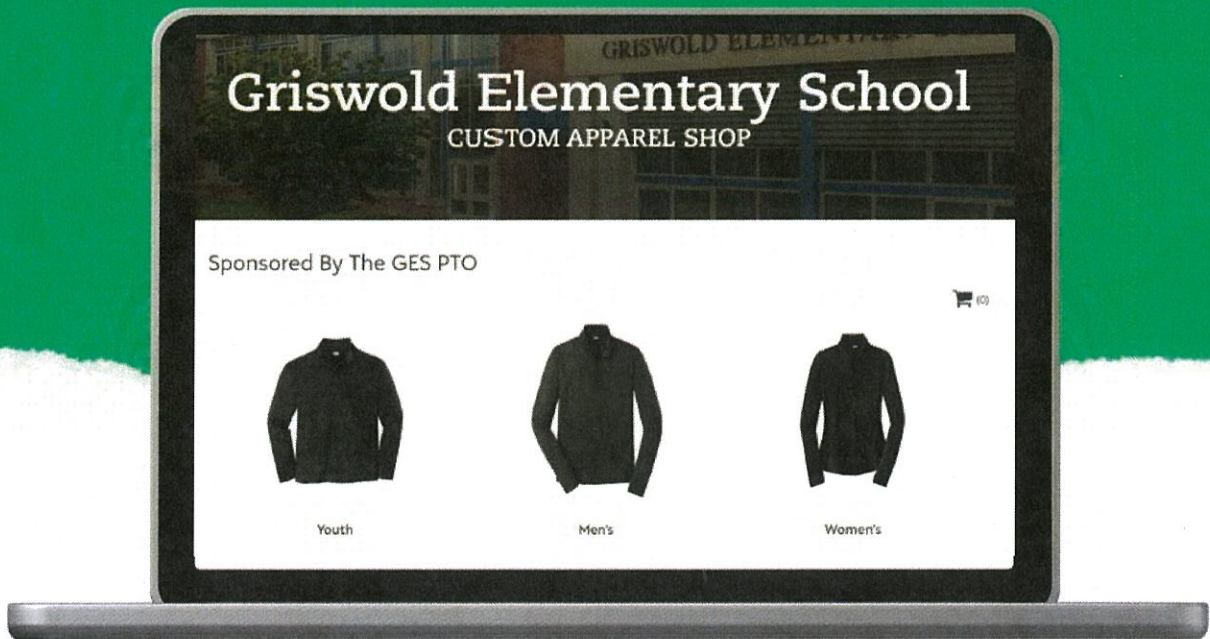
gespto@griswoldpublicschools.org

Calling all GES Wolverines

Show your school pride in style

by checking out our new

Merch Store!





MARCH 2026 EDITION

BOX TOPS

▶ You're in luck! March is
▶ chock-full of earning
▶ opportunities.

MONTHLY BONUS OFFERS

Offers are valid on a single transaction from 3/1/26–3/31/26



Buy 2, Earn 5
on all cereal
products*



Buy 2, Earn 4
on all fruit snack
products*



Buy 2, Earn 4
on Old El Paso
products*



Buy 2, Earn 4
on Chex, Chex Mix
& Bugles products*



Buy 2, Earn 4
on all Pillsbury
products*

*Must submit your receipt within 14 days of purchase. Limit 5 claims per receipt.

FRESH SPRING PRODUCTS THAT EARN

Spring has sprung! Give back to schools with Annie's™ Bunny
Grahams, Pillsbury™ Chick Shape™ Cookies and more.
See all participating products at [BTFE.com/products](https://www.bttfe.com/products)



CELEBRATE ST. PADDY'S DAY WITH LUCKY CHARMS™

Limited-edition Lucky Charms turn your cereal milk green
— and earn some green for schools!

See all participating products at [BTFE.com/products](https://www.bttfe.com/products)

3 EASY WAYS TO EARN FOR OUR SCHOOL



SCAN

Qualifying receipts
in the app



SUBMIT

Qualifying digital
receipts in the app



CONNECT

Your Walmart and
Box Tops accounts

SEE PRODUCTS & LEARN MORE ABOUT
THE BOX TOPS APP AT [BTFE.COM](https://www.bttfe.com)



DON'T HAVE THE BOX TOPS
APP YET? DOWNLOAD IT NOW:

