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GRANADA HILLS CHARTER TK/K 2026-27



Parent Sign-in



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ADMINISTRATION



Administrative
Director
Dr. DaCosta



Assistant
Administrative
Director 6-8:
Mrs. Rodriguez



Assistant
Administrative
Director TK-2:
Mr. Alvarado



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KINDER/TK



Ms. Velasco
Kindergarten



Mrs. Tidalgo
Kindergarten



Ms. Joe
Kindergarten



Ms. Yi
Kindergarten



Mrs. Laski
Kindergarten



Mrs. Potts
*Transitional
Kindergarten*



Mrs. Trenk
Kindergarten



Mrs. Ewan
*Transitional
Kindergarten*

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Mission and Vision

GHC students will be prepared to face the future with the following skills:

- Mastery of the Primary Years Program Standards part of the International Baccalaureate Program
- Ability to think reflectively and critically
- Develop a commitment to hard work, honesty, and cooperation
- Be compassionate and responsible members of our community

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

- Granada Hills Charter TK - 8 is an IB School
- IB = International Baccalaureate
- All of our classes and curriculum follow an IB model which encourages:
 - Critical thinking
 - Inquiry Based
 - Making connections between Subject Areas
 - Project based learning
 - Students to become global citizens



Kids to Juniors 5



Teens 6 to High School 1



High School 2 and 3



IB CONTINUUM
CONTINUUM DE L'IB
CONTINUO DEL IB

IB Team



Lindsey Housenick
Primary Years Programme (PYP)
Coordinator



Sarah Porter
Middle Years Programme (MYP)
Coordinator



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Enrichment Classes

- All students participate in four enrichment classes
- Enrichment subjects include: PE, Music, Mandarin, and Spanish
- PE is held twice a week



Sarah Dearn
Physical Education
Teacher



April Johnson
Music Teacher



Maricela Lomeli
Spanish Teacher



Martha Lin
Mandarin Teacher

Social-Emotional Learning

Social-emotional learning (SEL)
helps people:

- Understand and manage emotions
- Set and achieve positive goals
- Have and show empathy for others
- Establish and maintain positive relationships
- Make responsible decisions



STANDARDS OF STUDENT BEHAVIOR

All students are expected to:

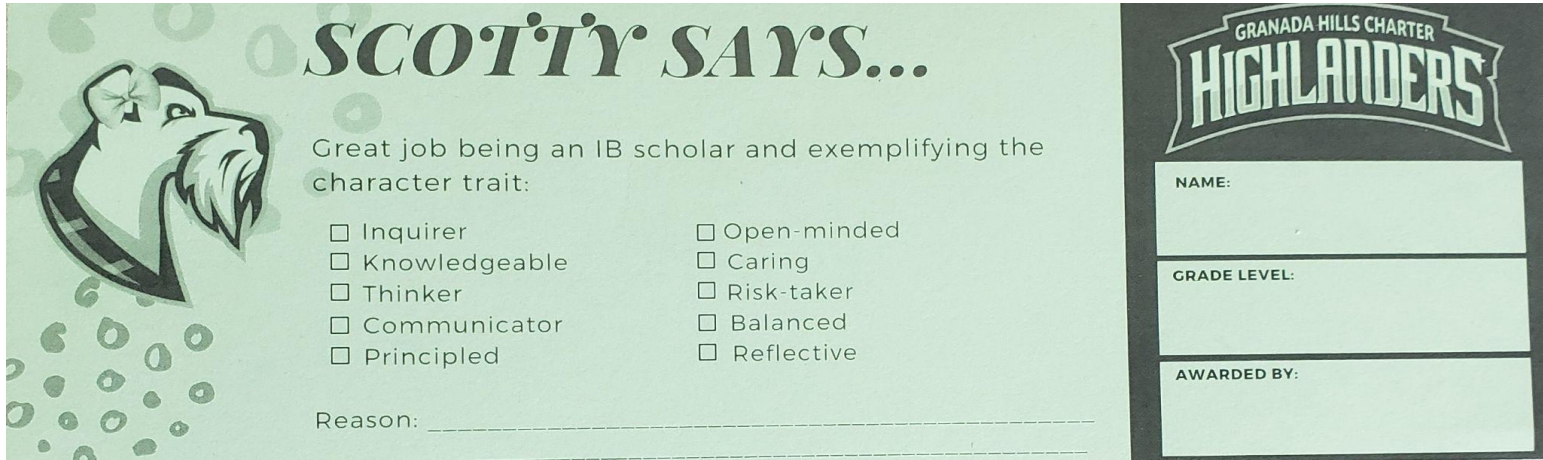
1. Attend school regularly and punctually; and remain on the school grounds (Please see Attendance Policy).
2. Complete all class work and homework assignments and maintain satisfactory marks.
3. Maintain a good attitude towards teachers, administrative directors, other staff members, and fellow students and comply with all reasonable requests from adult staff members.
4. Resolve conflicts or personal problems with the assistance of a staff member.
5. Bring necessary supplies and materials to classes daily, such as notebook, pencil, Chromebook, textbooks, and physical education clothing.
6. Conduct oneself in such a manner to be a credit to the school, home, and family.



GHC Progressive Discipline

- Teachers will address behavioral concerns in the classroom.
- Teachers are the first point of contact for inappropriate student conduct
- If behavior continues, parents will be contacted by the teacher
- Serious infractions and long standing patterns will be surfaced in a timely manner by the teacher and addressed by the Dean/Intervention Coordinator
- Repeated serious behaviors will involve school administration.
- **All disciplinary actions are confidential and support a safe, respectful learning environment.**

Scotty Tickets



The image shows a 'Scotty Says...' ticket form. On the left is a cartoon illustration of a Scotty dog's head. The title 'SCOTTY SAYS...' is in a large, stylized font. Below the title, it says 'Great job being an IB scholar and exemplifying the character trait:'. There are two columns of character traits, each with a checkbox. The traits are: Inquirer, Knowledgeable, Thinker, Communicator, Principled, Open-minded, Caring, Risk-taker, Balanced, and Reflective. Below the traits is a line for 'Reason:'. On the right side of the form, there is a section for 'GRANADA HILLS CHARTER HIGHLANDERS' with three input fields for 'NAME:', 'GRADE LEVEL:', and 'AWARDED BY:'.

SCOTTY SAYS...

Great job being an IB scholar and exemplifying the character trait:

☐ Inquirer	☐ Open-minded
☐ Knowledgeable	☐ Caring
☐ Thinker	☐ Risk-taker
☐ Communicator	☐ Balanced
☐ Principled	☐ Reflective

Reason: _____

GRANADA HILLS CHARTER HIGHLANDERS

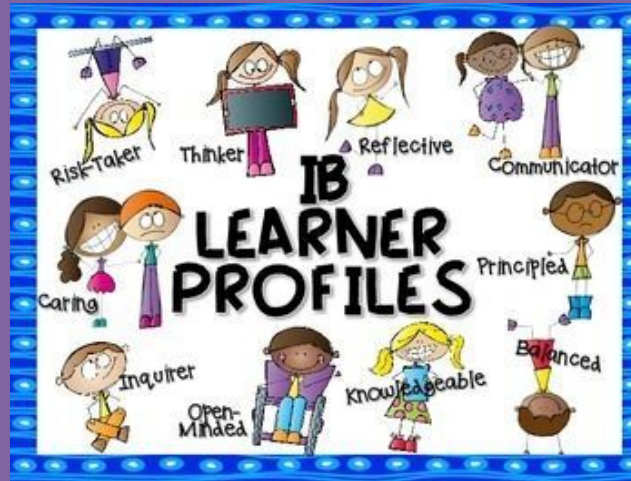
NAME: _____

GRADE LEVEL: _____

AWARDED BY: _____

- Encourages and reinforces positive student behavior
- Staff distribute tickets throughout campus for positive actions
- Students have opportunities to win school prizes and GHC gear
- Recognized during monthly *Scotty Says* assemblies

Scotty Says Assemblies



Special Programs and Student Support Services



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Social-Emotional, Behavior and Mental Health Support Staff



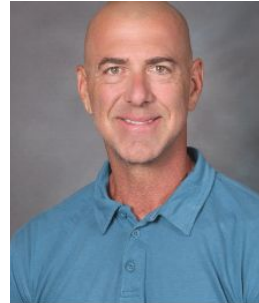
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Mr. Berenson
Dean of Student Life
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TK-5 BELL SCHEDULE

Regular Day Bell Schedule

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

	TK-K	Grade 1	Grades 2-3	Grades 4-5
Arrival	8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:15 AM	8:20 AM
Recess 1	9:10 AM-9:30 AM	9:20 AM-9:40 AM	9:40 AM-10:00 AM	10:30 AM-10:50 AM
Lunch	11:10 AM-11:40 AM	11:20 AM-11:50 AM	11:50 AM-12:20 PM	12:20 PM-12:50 PM
Recess 2	11:40 AM-11:50 AM	11:50 AM-12:00 PM	12:20 PM-12:30 PM	12:50 PM-1:00 PM
Dismissal	2:15 PM	2:15 PM	2:30 PM	2:45 PM

Modified Tuesday Schedule

Tuesday

	TK-K	Grade 1	Grades 2-3	Grades 4-5
Arrival	8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:15 AM	8:20 AM
Recess 1	9:10 AM-9:30 AM	9:20 AM-9:40 AM	9:40 AM-10:00 AM	10:30 AM-10:50 AM
Lunch	11:10 AM-11:40 AM	11:20 AM-11:50 AM	11:50 AM-12:20 PM	12:20 PM-12:50 PM
Recess 2	11:40 AM-11:50 AM	11:50 AM-12:00 PM	12:20 PM-12:30 PM	12:50 PM-1:00 PM
Dismissal	2:05 PM	2:05 PM	2:20 PM	2:35 PM

Minimum Day Bell Schedule

	TK-K	Grade 1	Grades 2-3	Grades 4-5
Arrival	8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:15 AM	8:20 AM
Lunch/Brunch	9:40 AM-9:55 AM	9:50 AM-10:05 AM	10:10 AM-10:25 AM	10:30 AM-10:45 AM
Recess	9:55 AM-10:10 AM	10:05 AM-10:20 AM	10:25 AM-10:40 AM	10:45 AM-11:00 AM
Dismissal	12:15 PM	12:15 PM	12:30 PM	12:45 PM

****TK/K Modified Schedule August 13 - 21
9:00AM - 1:15PM****

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TK-5 STUDENT ATTENDANCE

- Submit a signed written excuse or email to the TK-8 Main Office and classroom teacher within one day of your child's return to clear the absence
- Unexcused absences include missing school or arriving more than 30 minutes late without a valid excuse. (See the Attendance Policy on the GHC website for a list of excused absences.)
- Medical absences of 5+ days require a doctor's note to be excused
- 7 total absences = SART Conference
 - 10+ Absences = SART Conferences and/or Contract
- 10% absences (based on days enrolled) may result in an Attendance Contract

GHC Attendance Recognition



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Attendance Challenge

WINNERS



WHAT TO BRING

WATER BOTTLE



LEARNING MATERIALS



**ONLY WATER IS ALLOWED IN THE CLASSROOMS.
NO SODA OR SUGARY DRINKS.**

WHAT NOT TO BRING

NO TOYS OR
TRADING CARDS



NO ELECTRONIC GAMES
OR WEARABLES



NO ROLLING
BAGS



NO BIRTHDAY TREATS

Please do not bring or send food items
for birthday celebrations.

Teachers can acknowledge students' birthdays
in ways that support the instructional program.

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DRESS CODE

SAFETY



FOOTWEAR/HEADWEAR

Shoes must be worn at all times. Heelys, Croc-type shoes, backless shoes, sandals and slippers are not allowed.

No Non-GHC Headwear

COMFORT



MOVEMENT

All clothes should be suitable for participation in all school activities, including PE.

FOCUS



LEARNING

Clothes should provide appropriate coverage. Words and images on clothing should reflect consideration for others.



CELL PHONE POLICY

1. CELL PHONES REMAIN IN BACKPACKS DURING SCHOOL HOURS
2. SMART WATCHES REMAIN IN BACKPACKS DURING SCHOOL HOURS
3. NO INTERNET ACCESS ON PERSONAL DEVICES WHILE ON CAMPUS
4. VIOLATIONS WILL RESULT IN CONFISCATION OF DEVICES. CONFISCATED DEVICES MUST BE PICKED UP BY A PARENT IN THE MAIN OFFICE.

Regular Morning Drop-Off Procedures

6:30 a.m. – YMCA BEFORE-SCHOOL CARE OPENS FOR REGISTERED STUDENTS

7:30 a.m. - SCHOOL GATES OPEN FOR ALL STUDENTS

Morning Arrival Reminders (TK/K Families)

- **TK/K students and their siblings** may use the **Hiawatha Gate** for morning arrival.
- Please walk your child all the way to the entry gate.
- Drop and Go:
 - Reduces traffic and congestion
 - Helps build student independence
 - Creates a smoother, safer arrival for everyone

Please Note: Additional information regarding the modified schedule for the first and second week of school will be shared by your child's teacher.

Afternoon Pick-Up Procedures

2:15 p.m. & 2:05 p.m. - YMCA AFTER-SCHOOL CARE BEGINS FOR REGISTERED STUDENTS

2:15 p.m. & 2:05 p.m. – PLEASE REFER TO BELL SCHEDULE FOR GRADE SPECIFIC PICK-UP TIMES

- All students in Grades TK/K will be dismissed at the Hiawatha gate
- Students taken to the devonshire gate at 2:25pm (M, W, T, F) and at 2:15pm (Tuesdays)

Inclement Weather Days: Students are picked up from inside the classroom and given 5 additional minutes for pick up. Students then taken to MPR.

Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP)

Program Partners:

- YMCA, Parker-Anderson (TK–6), Upstage Theatre Schools (2-8)

Enrollment Info:

- **YMCA:** Register directly through their website
- **Program Partners:** Interest forms will be sent out 8/14
- Lottery held then families notified via email
- Students may participate in ELOP once per year
- YMCA students (daily, Mon–Fri) can also join enrichment classes

PTSA

- PTSA meetings are held on the **3rd Tuesday of each month.**
- Family events are offered throughout the school year.

Upcoming Events

- **TK/K Meet & Greet at the Park**
 - August 9 | 9:00–11:00 a.m.
 - Porter Ranch Community Park
- **Coffee Chat with Administration**
 - Held 30 minutes before each PTSA meeting



Lunch Applications

- Submit your meal application before the start of the school year if you have not already done so.
- Only one application is required per family.
- Ms. Avina will be available at the table in the back to answer questions or assist with submitting lunch application.



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THANK YOU!



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