

GFHS BISON WEEKLY INFO

ISSUE 5 | WEEK OF: **09/28/2026**

PARENT NEWSLETTER



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

It's Homecoming Week! These only roll around once per year, and we're ready for it! It's going to be quite a fun week. We encourage everyone to get out and get invested this week. Invest yourself in float building, Color Run, attending a game, and just supporting the Great Falls High School Bison!

GO BISON!



Principal Habel



* Important phone numbers:

- **Attendance: 406-268-6251**
- **Counseling: 406-268-6330**
- **Finance: 406-268-6317**
- **Main Office: 406-268-6250**
- **Records: 406-268-6315**
- **Nurse: 406-268-6332**

DO WHAT'S RIGHT

* Important "To-Do's":

- **Update PowerSchool Information:**
Please remember to update phone numbers and addresses that may have changed over the summer.

Call or email Debbie at:
406-268-6337 or
debbie_munson@gfps.k12.mt.us

TREAT OTHERS THE WAY YOU WANT
TO BE TREATED

REGULAR			PLCT			EARLY OUT			ASSEMBLY (40 MIN)		
PERIOD	START	END	PERIOD	START	END	PERIOD	START	END	PERIOD	START	END
0	7:00	7:54	0	7:07	7:54	0	7:24	7:55	0	7:05	7:55
1	8:00	8:53	1	8:00	8:47	1	8:00	8:31	1	8:00	8:48
2	8:59	9:52	2	8:53	9:40	2	8:36	9:07	2	8:53	9:41
3	9:58	10:51	3	9:46	10:43	3	9:12	9:43	ASSEMBLY	9:46	10:26
4	10:56	11:49	4	10:49	11:36	4	9:48	10:19	3	10:31	11:18
LUNCH	11:49	12:19	LUNCH	11:36	12:06	5	10:24	10:56	4	11:23	12:10
5	12:25	1:18	5	12:12	12:59	6	11:01	11:33	LUNCH	12:10	12:40
6	1:24	2:17	6	1:05	1:52	7	11:38	12:10	5	12:45	1:32
7	2:23	3:15	7	1:58	2:45				6	1:37	2:24
									7	2:29	3:15

* GFHS Events and Sports Travel forms
[Click Here](#)
GFHS TRANSPORTATION FORM

* Student Handbook
[Click Here](#)
GFHS STUDENT HANDBOOK

DO THE BEST YOU CAN

HOMECOMING WEEK EVENTS AND INFO

Themes:

- **Mythical Monday**
- **Toga Tuesday**
- **Theme Day Wednesday**
 - **Seniors - Water** 💧
 - **Juniors - Earth** 🌍
 - **Sophomores - Fire** 🔥
 - **Freshmen - Air** 🌀
- **Bison Class Wednesday - Dress Classy**
- **Bison Pride Friday!**



- **Monday**
 - Color Run 6–8pm
 - \$2 fee (Starts south side of stadium)
- **Tuesday**
 - Float Build 3:45–7:30 (Heritage Building Fairgrounds)
- **Wednesday**
 - Float Build 3:45–6:30 (Heritage Building Fairgrounds)
- **Thursday**
 - Float Build 3:45–7:30 (Heritage Building Fairgrounds)
- **FRIDAY:**
 - "Bison Pride" (blue/white/Bison gear)
 - Pep Assembly @ 9:20 (No Period 1)
 - Barbecue @ 11:15 (seniors start; everyone else will be announced)
 - School released @ 12:10
 - Parade is at 1:30 ON 1ST AVE NORTH THIS YEAR DUE TO CONSTRUCTION

GFHS WEEKLY ARTS



From campus clean ups to volunteering in our community, Art Club members are doing the good work. Way to go Bison!



Art Club meets at lunch
Wednesdays in room 113.

Homecoming float building is
Tuesday-Thursday at the
Fairgrounds from 3:45-7:30.

GFHS WEEKLY PERFORMING ARTS

DATE 26-27	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
9/26	Super Saturday		Memorial
10/1	Homecoming Royalty	8:00 AM	Davidson Auditorium
10/2	Homecoming Game	7:00	Memorial
10/6	Fall Orchestra	7:00	Davidson Auditorium
10/13	Fall Band	7:00	Davidson Auditorium
10/14	All State	All Day	Bozeman
10/15	All State	All Day	Bozeman
10/16	All State	All Day	Bozeman
10/21	Fruit Sale Begins		
10/26	Fall Choir	7:00	Davidson Auditorium

GFHS WEEKLY ATHLETICS

SPORT	DAY	DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	LEVEL	VARSITY	JV	SOPH	FROSH
SOC	TUES	9/29/2026	GFH	CMR JV BOYS (CMR HOME)	MEMORIAL STADIUM	JV		7:00 PM	
SOC	TUES	9/29/2026	GFH	CMR JV GIRLS (CMR HOME)	MEMORIAL STADIUM	JV		5:00 PM	
VB	TUES	9/29/2026	GFH	CMR (CMR HOME)	CMR FH-AUX GYM	V-JV-S-F	7:00 PM	5:30 PM	4:00 PM
VB	TUES	9/29/2026	GFH	CMR (CMR HOME)	CMR AUX GYM	9B			4:00 PM
FLAG	TUES	9/29/2026	GFH	BOZEMAN	BOZEMAN	V-JV	4:30 PM	TBA	
FLAG	TUES	9/29/2026	GFH	GALLATIN	BOZEMAN	JV		6:00 PM	MU-8/29
GOLF	THURS	10/1/2026	GFH	AA STATE TOURNAMENT	GREAT FALLS-MLCC	V	10:00 AM		
SOC	THURS	10/1/2026	GFH	CMR BOYS (CMR HOME)	MEMORIAL STADIUM	V	7:00 PM		
SOC	THURS	10/1/2026	GFH	CMR GIRLS (CMR HOME)	MEMORIAL STADIUM	V	5:00 PM		
X-C	FRI	10/2/2026	GFH	GREAT FALLS INVITE	ANACONDA HILLS GC	V-JV	3:00 PM		
GOLF	FRI	10/2/2026	GFH	AA STATE TOURNAMENT	GREAT FALLS-MLCC	V	10:00 AM		
FB	FRI	10/2/2026	GFH	GALLATIN-HC	MEMORIAL STADIUM	V-JV	7:00 PM	3:00 PM	
FB	SAT	10/3/2026	GFH	GALLATIN	BOZEMAN	F			10:00 AM
SOC	SAT	10/3/2026	GFH	BILLINGS WEST GIRLS VAR	BILLINGS	V	12:00 PM		
SOC	SAT	10/3/2026	GFH	BILLINGS WEST BOYS JV	BILLINGS	JV		12:00 PM	
VB	SAT	10/3/2026	GFH	BUTTE	GFH FH	V-JV-S-F	2:00 PM	12:30 PM	11:00 AM
VB	SAT	10/3/2026	GFH	BUTTE	GFH FH	9B			11:00 AM



Three Foundational Beliefs of GFPS Athletics

Positive Experience

Athletes committed to our programs have a worthwhile experience.

Competitive

Develop programs competitive at the state level.

Lifelong Skills

Build inherent life skills that carry with them.



TREAT OTHERS THE WAY YOU WANT TO BE TREATED



DO WHAT'S RIGHT



DO THE BEST YOU CAN



FROM THE GFHS LIBRARY



Chromebook care

Store in a safe place

Keep it charged

Completely **shut down** AT LEAST once a week

*This will allow for any necessary updates

Do not apply stickers

Do not eat or drink near your Chromebook

GET INSURANCE

Insurance is \$27/year.

[@securranty.com/gfps](https://securranty.com/gfps)



Damages/loss/theft can total up to \$300.00



GFHS "INSIDE" INFO

HAPPENING THIS WEEK:

Week of 09/27-10/03/26				
Homecoming Week	09/28-10-03/26	Monday-Sat		
Color Run	09/28/26	Monday	South end of the stadium	6:00pm Line up/6:30 Run
Pre College Advisory	09/28 & 09/30	Monday/Wednesday	HUB	10:30-12:30pm
MT Army National Guard Table	09/28	Monday	HUB	11:30-12:30pm
Float Building	09/29-10/01/26	Tuesday-Thursday	Heritage Building at the Fairgrounds	3:45-7:30pm
Royalty Assembly #1	10/01/26	Thursday	MC	8:25-9:10am
Royalty Assembly #2	10/01/26	Thursday	HUB/FH/SC	9:30-10:15am
NCMASS Curriculum Meeting STEM Center	10/01/26	Thursday	STEM Center	All Day
Pep Assembly	10/02/26	Friday	FH	9:20-10:20am
Bison Barbecue	10/02/26	Friday		
Parade	10/02/26	Friday	Downtown 1st Ave. N from 8th to Central	1:30 PM
GFHS Legacy Alumni	10/03/26	Saturday	Entire School	All day
SAT Testing	10/03/26	Saturday	SC 105	7am-1:00pm

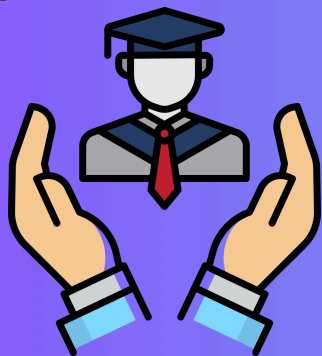
CONNECT WITH US!

Social Media

- GFH Website:
<https://gfhs.gfps.k12.mt.us/>
- Instagram:
@greatfallshighbison
- Facebook: @GFHBISSON



Great Falls High School Counselor Corner



USE THE QR CODE OR [CLICK HERE](#) FOR SENIOR CLASS NEWS



USE THE QR CODE OR [CLICK HERE](#) FOR COUNSELOR NEWS



LEGACY INDUCTION WEEKEND THIS COMING WEEKEND



FIRST ANNUAL
GREAT FALLS HIGH SCHOOL LEGACY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

LEGACY INDUCTION Weekend

Call 406-268-6312 for details

Honoring Great Falls High School alumni who are visionaries, pioneers, difference-makers, and standouts whose lives and accomplishments have made a lasting impact on their communities and inspired generations to follow.

"You can't be what you can't see" - Marian Wright Edelman

Get your tickets at GFHS or at Schulte's 38th St. Store

*** Alumni and Inductees from all throughout the US will be in attendance.**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Friday, October 2nd
 - Watch the 2026 Homecoming Parade
 - 1:30pm
 - On 1st Ave. N.
 - No-Host Meet and Greet
 - 5:00pm - 8:00pm
 - Elevation 3300
- Saturday, October 3rd
 - Tour of GFHS
 - 9:30am
 - GFHS Exhibition of Inductees
 - 10:30am
 - GFHS Old Gym
 - GFHS Legacy Alumni Induction Ceremony
 - 12:30pm
 - GFHS Davidson Auditorium
 - GFHS Legacy Alumni Benefit Dinner
 - 5:00pm - 9:00pm
 - Rendezvous at Four Ten



To visit the GFHS Legacy Alumni website
Scan QR code



***This inaugural GFHS Legacy Alumni class of 2026 spans over 100 years
A FEW OTHER NOTABLE GFHS INDUCTEES:**

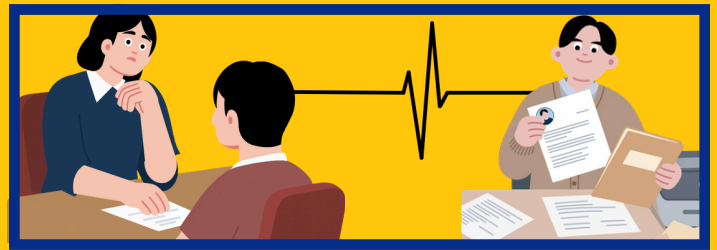
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| • JOSHEPHINE TRIGG - 1893 | • HAROLD "HAL" MOE - 1929 |
| • ADM. JOHN H. HOOVER - 1903 | • ALMA SMITH JACOBS - 1934 |
| • PAM SPENCER-MARQUEZ - 1975 | • FRANK "CAPTAIN FOG" FOGARTY - 1942 |
| • CHARLES "CHIP" ERDMANN - 1964 | • TALMAGE COLLINS - 1918 |
| • JAYMEE SIRE - 1998 | • AND 40 MORE... |

OCTOBER 2ND & 3RD, 2026
**ONLY 300 DINNER TICKETS
BEING SOLD**

TOURO ADVISING PROGRAM

PROGRAM GOALS:

The Touro Advising Program (TAP) provides structured academic support from trained medical student volunteers to help high school students with college essays, scholarships, applications, and coursework in math, Basic sciences, and reading. Students receive clear feedback during the sessions, with support available both in person ([GFHS MC classroom 201](#)) and virtually. All volunteers are monitored and supported by at least one background-checked, experienced tutor, creating a reliable, supportive environment focused on real college and career readiness results.



WHAT WE OFFER

- Help with college essays, scholarship applications, resumes, and college applications.
- Support in math, basic sciences, and reading
- Clear, structured feedback within one week of submission.
- In-person and virtual (Zoom) meetings are available throughout the week (On select Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 2- 5 PM).
- Volunteers with experience working in the college application process

TOURO ADVISING PROGRAM SCHEDULE: GFHS Main Campus Room 201

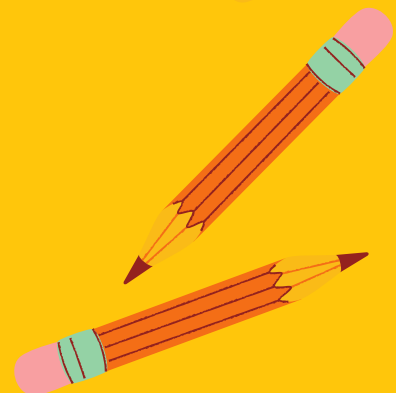
- Mon - Sept. 28th - 2-5pm
- Wed - Sept. 30th - 2-5pm
- Wed - Oct. 21st - 2-5pm
- Thurs - Oct. 22nd - 2-5pm
- Mon - Oct. 26th - 2-5pm
- Wed - Oct. 28th - 2-5pm
- Thurs - Oct. 29th - 2-5pm

- Wed - Nov. 4th - 2-5pm
- Thurs - Nov. 5th - 2-5pm
- Thurs - Nov. 12th - 2-5pm
- Mon - Nov. 16th - 2-5pm



**TOURO COLLEGE
OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE**

TOURO UNIVERSITY
Great Falls, Montana Campus



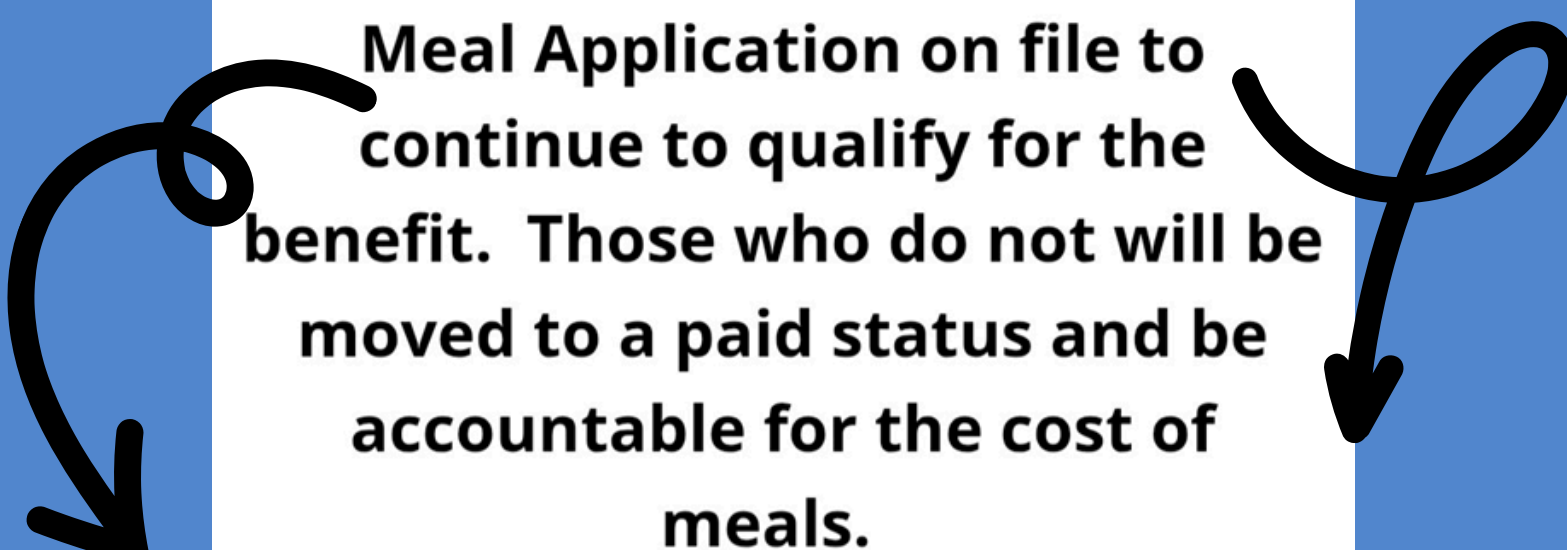
PARENTS/GUARDIANS

STUDENT HANDBOOK

- Student Handbook & Participation Form Sign Offs
 - DUE EVERY YEAR in order for students to be allowed to participate in any school clubs or activities.
 - They were due by Sept 11th, please sign & return forms as soon as possible. If you cannot find the form, you can get one in the main office.

FREE & REDUCED ELIGIBILITY

Free and Reduced Price Meal Eligibility carryover period will end in mid-October. All eligible families must have a new (2026-2027) Free and Reduced Price Meal Application on file to continue to qualify for the benefit. Those who do not will be moved to a paid status and be accountable for the cost of meals.



GFHS APPS & INFO



**APPLY FOR SCHOOL
NUTRITION FREE & REDUCED
FOR YOUR STUDENT**



**MUST BE RENEWED EVERY
YEAR.**



CLICK HERE!

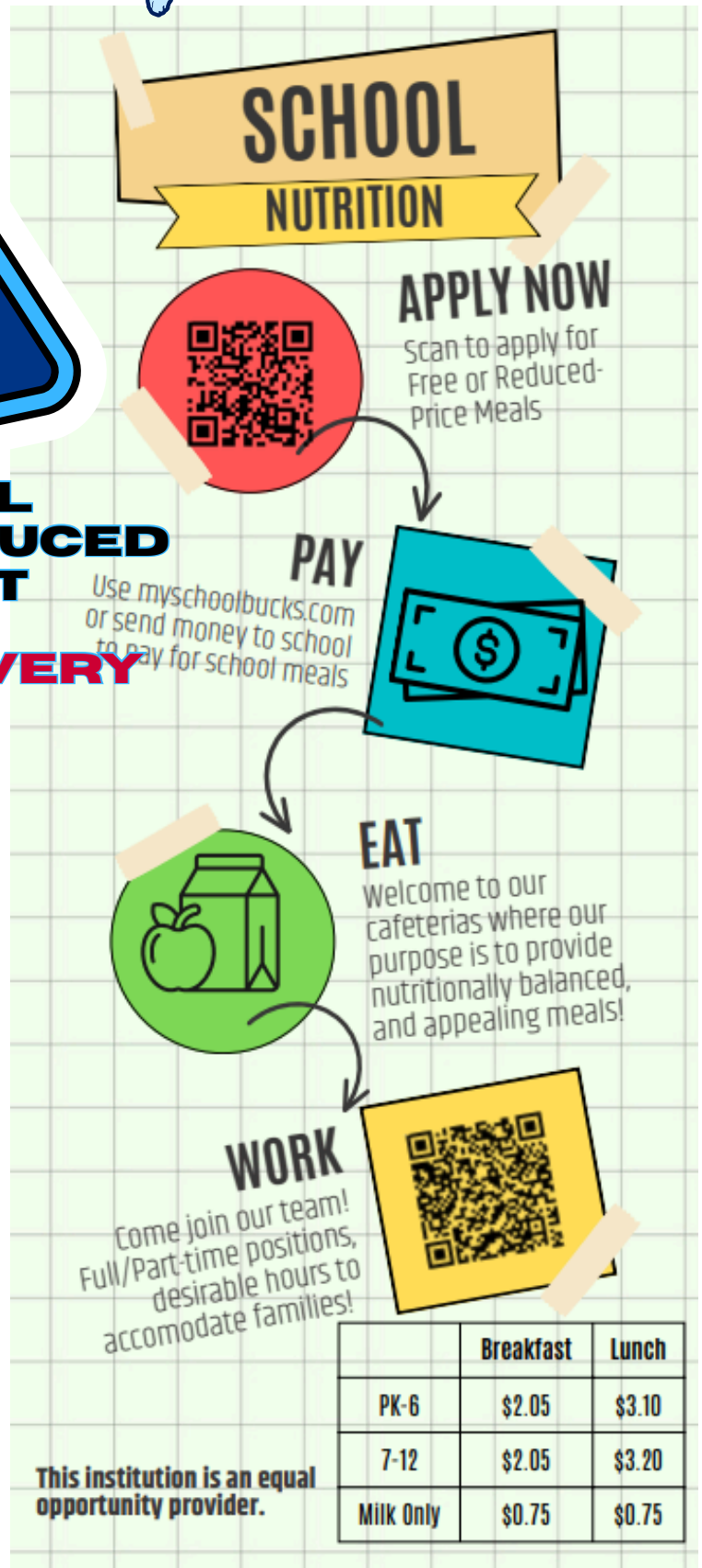


ParentSquare

PARENTSQUARE INFORMATION:

ParentSquare is the district communication tool.
Click on the links below for more information:

[GFPS District Letter
Getting Started Guide](#)



GFHS TITLE I STATUS

Great Falls High is a Title I high school, which means we receive federal support to help ensure every student has access to a high-quality education.

- Our goal is to improve academic outcomes for all students by providing the resources and support they need to succeed.
- If you ever have questions or concerns about your student's progress, please don't hesitate to reach out to their counselor or associate principal.
- We are here to partner with you and problem-solve together.



Paul Culbertson, Associate Principal	406-268-6322	Students A-G
Tami Faulkner, Associate Principal	406-268-6313	Students H-N
Shianne Currey, Associate Principal	406-268-6314	Students O-Z
Chad Getten, Guidance Counselor	406-268-6334	Students A-C
Amy Schoenen, Guidance Counselor	406-268-6338	Students D-G
Clint Houston, Guidance Counselor	406-268-6336	Students H-L
Rosie Rossberg, Guidance Counselor	406-268-6333	Students M-R
Dana Freshly, Guidance Counselor	406-268-6335	Students S-Z



MORE STUDENT SUPPORTS:

- **Saturday School:**
 - Saturday School has not started
 - Look here for updated times
- **After School Support:**
 - **English Language Arts:**
 - Not started yet (see individual teachers)
 - **Math 3:20-5:10pm in South Campus 108**
 - Not started yet (see individual teachers)

***Watch here for weekly updated information**



GFHS TITLE I STATUS

WE WANT ALL FAMILIES TO KNOW

- **We Care Deeply About Your Child's Success:**
 - Our teachers and staff are committed to your child's academic achievement, personal growth, and well-being, striving to help them become confident, capable, and responsible individuals.
- **We Foster Growth Beyond Grades:**
 - We focus on developing lifelong skills like problem-solving, self-advocacy, responsibility, and work ethic, preparing students for future success in and out of the classroom.
- **We Challenge and Support:**
 - We hold high expectations, pushing students to grow while providing compassion, encouragement, and individualized support to meet their unique needs.
- **We Build Relationships:**
 - Our staff strives to be trusted mentors, creating a safe and welcoming space where students feel valued, heard, and motivated to succeed.
- **We Invest Time and Heart:**
 - We work with many students daily and pour our energy, compassion, and resources into helping each child progress, even when faced with challenges.
- **We Work as a Team:**
 - Your child's success is a collaborative effort. We need your support to reinforce expectations for your child to be in class every day so we create an environment where learning thrives.

We are a Second Home: Our school is more than a place for learning—it's a community. We are here for our students and families from 7:00 a.m. until late in the evening, offering support, connection, and care.

GFHS PROFILE OF A LEARNER

LEARNER TRAITS, SKILLS AND CHARACTERISTICS (9TH – 12TH GRADE) THAT WE BELIEVE WILL MAKE EVERY STUDENT BETTER:

GREAT FALLS HIGH SCHOOL IS COMMITTED TO TAKING STEPS EVERY DAY TO INSTILL THESE QUALITIES INTO OUR STUDENTS:



CRITICAL THINKER

- Investigate a question with an open mind
- Evaluate sources of information for reliability
- Integrate different viewpoints
- Synthesize information to take action

STRONG COMMUNICATION SKILLS

- Articulate ideas to a targeted audience effectively
- Use conflict resolution strategies effectively
- Actively listen for understanding
- Collaborate with others
- Reflect on their communication with others

WORK ETHIC

- Persevere to complete difficult tasks
- Understand how to balance time and priorities
- Use interpersonal skills and seek resources to help complete tasks
- Complete activities to the set standard and show pride in work
- Integrate academic skills with workplace skills to demonstrate readiness for life beyond high school

PROBLEM SOLVER

- Integrate other points of view into the problem-solving process to generate an optimal solution
- Evaluate information and compromise to reach a solution
- Identify healthy risks and take them when needed

INTEGRITY

- Behave empathetically to others
- Self-regulate
- Follow through
- Consider the good of the whole and act accordingly
- Do the right thing while demonstrating grace, pride, and kindness, even when it is difficult
- Apply talents to better their community