



Tammy's Top Ten on Tuesday September 27, 2016

- 1. Ballots Due Next Tuesday:** 30,945 ballots were mailed on Monday, September 19. If you have not done so, please return it either by sending it in the mail with proper postage or by taking it to the Elections Office at 325 2nd Ave. N. On Election Day, October 4, drop it off at the Exhibition Hall at ExpoPark (Fairgrounds). If you are mailing, it must be received by the Elections Office by October 4. The postmark doesn't matter.
- 2. Not a Registered Voter:** No worries. For the school vote, from now until October 3, you can go to the Elections Office at 325 2nd Ave. N. On Election Day, go to the Exhibition Hall at ExpoPark. It's also not too late to register for the general election in November.
- 3. Homecomings:** Once again, the annual tradition of homecoming is upon us. Homecoming activities promote school spirit for students, alumni and community members. Here's some general information:
 - a. CMR:** This week, September 26-30; Theme: Real Rustlers in Fantasy Land; Parade @ 2 pm on Friday on Central Ave.; football vs. Helena Capital at 7 pm at Memorial Stadium also on Friday.
 - b. GFHS:** October 3-7; Theme: Bison Around the World; Parade @ 1:30 pm on Central Ave. on Friday, October 7; football vs. Missoula Sentinel at 7 pm at Memorial Stadium on October 7.
- 4. Midterm:** Next week marks midterm of the 1st quarter. It's hard to believe that 1/8 of the school year has already passed! The first quarter ends on November 4.
- 5. Truck Raffle:** The GFPS Foundation Truck Raffle is in full swing. The Toyota truck was donated by City Motors and all proceeds go to funding activities and programs for GFPS students. This year, there is also a 2nd place prize of a \$1000 gift certificate to North 40. For more information, click here: <http://www.gfpsfoundation.org/support-us/truck-raffle/>.
- 6. Montana PTA Convention Held:** Last Saturday, the Heritage Inn hosted the 101st State PTA Convention. With the theme "We've Only Just Begun," the participants made plans for communities to work together for children and families through education, leadership, communication and advocacy. To find out more about the Montana PTA, click here: <http://montanapta.org/>.
- 7. 8th Grade Career Fair October 6:** GFPS, United Way and Graduation Matters Great Falls is sponsoring a multifaceted career awareness day for all 8th graders. Community members will give talks about their career and its opportunities, volunteers will hold mock interviews for students so they can experience this part of the hiring process, and students can participate in 1 of 3 field trips to the Trades Rodeo, the Simulation Hospital at GFC-MSU, or MAFB. This effort takes over 100 volunteers. More are still needed to conduct the mock interviews. Please call United Way at 727-3400 if you can help.
- 8. Scholarship Nights for Seniors:** Given the large amount of money awarded each year to graduates via a variety of scholarships, it behooves parents and students to understand the process. The GFPS Foundation and the High School Counselors will be hold scholarship information nights for seniors and their parents in October. They will cover such things as what reviewers are looking for, what documents are required, timelines and deadlines, and the dos and don'ts of applying. Please help spread the word about these important events:
 - a. CMR:** October 4, 6:30-8:00 pm in the Bill Williamson Auditorium.
 - b. GFHS:** October 11, 6:30-8:00 in the Great Falls High Auditorium.

- 9. Military Appreciation:** As a way to honor our community military members and their families, GFPS is sponsoring free admittance to any community member with a military ID at the events below. A special announcement is made during the game to recognize military contributions to our great country.
- CMR & GFH Soccer, Saturday, October 8, 2016 (Note: free admittance; no announcement) CMR vs. Bozeman, GFH vs. Billings Skyview, 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
 - CMR Volleyball, Saturday, October 8, vs Butte, 2:00 p.m.
 - GFH Volleyball, Saturday, October 29, vs Billings Skyview, 1:00 p.m.
 - GFH Football, Thursday, October 20, vs Billings West, 7:00 p.m.
 - CMR Football, Friday, October 21, vs Bozeman, 7:00 p.m.
- 10. Board Meetings:** There is only one Board meeting in October and it is on Monday, October 17 at 5:30 at the District Office Building, 1100 4th St. S. The agenda and supporting information will be posted on the afternoon of October 13 at this link: <http://www.gfps.k12.mt.us/content/school-board>.

I hope you enjoyed my Top Ten on Tuesday! The next release is scheduled for October 11, 2016.

Take care. Be well. Stay safe.
Tammy L. Lacey
Superintendent

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