



Great Falls Public Schools
Ten “MOORE” things you need to know
October 19, 2021

Dear Community Member:

Here are some the things going on Great Falls Public Schools that you need to know about!

1. **Fall Concerts- /Fruit Sales:** There is plenty going on in our Fine Arts Department this time of year! All-State Music Festival is October 21-22, and we have 56 GFPS Musicians representing our high schools at this event. There are high school concerts next week as well at GFHS and CMR, and middle school concerts will begin in November. The Art Department will have their first public exhibition of the year with the Ergon Show at GFC-MSU. Opening reception is Friday, October 29 from 4-5:30 pm, and the show is up thru November. Have you seen the 2.5-ton bronze skull on display at CMR from artist Benji Daniels? It is quite impressive—check it out. Fall Drama productions will be here soon! For more information on Music/Art/Drama in our schools, check out:
<https://www.gfps.k12.mt.us/Domain/84>
The annual holiday fruit sale runs Oct 27th and ends on Nov 27th.
2. **Cross Town Athletics:** Crosstown football this week in Memorial Stadium on Friday, October 22 at 7:00 PM- Live Streamed on <https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/associations/mhsa>, Radio- STARR Radio-KXGF 1400 AM and CHERRY CREEK Radio- 99.9 FM Big Sky Sports. Crosstown Volleyball next Thursday night at CMR with the Varsity game at 7:00 PM.. For more sports info:
<https://www.gfps.k12.mt.us/Page/345>
3. **Fall Sports Wrap Up- Soccer, Football, Volleyball, Cross-Country:** The fall sports regular seasons are wrapping up this week and next week around Montana. State Cross-Country is happening this week on Saturday in Missoula.
4. **United Way of Cascade County:** The 2021 annual fundraising campaign is under way. The Great Falls Public School employees participate in the campaign each year. We appreciate the work of over 29 local service partners that United Way funds, who directly or indirectly support students in our schools.
<https://www.uwccmt.org/>
5. **Truck Raffle:** The GFPS Foundation Truck Raffle ends on Friday of this week. Thanks to City Motors, for providing the generous donation of a Toyota Pickup truck and to North 40 for donating a \$1,000 gift card again this year! All proceeds go to funding activities and programs for GFPS students. For more information, call 268-7401. You can still buy more tickets.... please!!!
6. **Help Wanted:** Pass it on...GFPS is looking to hire teacher aides, food service workers, Para educators, substitutes and more. Current openings are always found here:
<https://www.applitrack.com/greatfalls/onlineapp/default.aspx?all=1>
7. **Employee Recognition in October:** Join us October 25-29 as we Treasure Our Teachers! This community wide effort is a partnership between local businesses, community members, parents and students to give an extra special thank you to teachers/staff across Great Falls. Watch for special signs, business offerings, PTA activities and more to give our teachers/staff a well-deserved thank you. A 3x6 banner will be at every school. **Thanks to the following business/organizations:** Great Falls Chamber,

Kids Education Yes, Double Barrel Restaurant, Teriyaki Madness, Klover, The Block, Enbar, Candy Masterpiece, Street Burgers and Tracy's Restaurant.

8. **Federal Cards Sent Out:** Please remember to fill out and sign and date your child's Impact Aid card. This card is a canvas of all students that live on or parents that work on federal property. This survey must be conducted yearly, and all students and families are requested to participate. This survey helps our District fund positions and programs across our schools. Please make sure you fill out your Blue federal card and return it to your child's school by November 5, 2021. Thank you for your support in this survey!
9. **Community Partners:** Thank you to **Torgerson's Agricultural Equipment** for donating and distributing hundreds of pumpkins to every 1st grade student in GFPS! To date, Torgerson's has donated over 27,815 pumpkins to students in our community since 2004.
10. **Board Meetings:** The GFPS Board of Trustees meetings are typically held the 2nd and 4th Mondays of most months. These are public meetings. Agendas and supporting information are always posted the Thursday afternoon prior to the Board meetings. The next Board meeting is on October 25 with the agenda posted on October 21. Important Board information can be found here: <https://www.gfps.k12.mt.us/domain/111>

Reminder: The Annual State Teacher Conventions are on **Oct 21 and Oct 22, 2021. There will be no school on Thursday or Friday of this week. Great Falls is hosting the Teacher Convention and the State Music Teachers this year.**

I hope "Moore" information was helpful to you! The next release is scheduled for November 4, 2021. You are receiving this email as part of the District's ongoing community communication efforts. If you do not wish to receive these emails, there is a place to unsubscribe at the very bottom.

Thanks for reading and thank you for supporting our staff and students!

Sincerely,

Tom Moore

Superintendent

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