

October 2021



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Chris Frimml, Elementary Principal

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Homecoming Court

Queen Candidates: Jenna Yilek, Dezi Baldazo, Lily Cowell, Lenah Hood, Madison Lewis

King Candidates: Zach Burgess, Kooper Gill, Brayden Anderson, Abe Dieleman, Corey Bartell



Freshman Attendants: Dylan Mathern, Colin Teske

Sophomore Attendants: Abby Parks, Matthew DeSchamp

Junior Attendants: Marriah Stonewall, Brayden Duden



HOMECOMING — 2021 —



Homecoming is right around the corner. GMG Student Council members are working hard to make it an excellent event for all. Below are the activities and school dress- up days for all to participate in.

Katie Barnes

Activities for Students: Monday, October 4: Relays and Pyramid
Tuesday, October 5: Ruff and Tuff Volleyball, Tug of War
Wednesday, October 6: Ruff and Tuff Volleyball
Thursday, October 7: Ruff and Tuff Volleyball, Lip Sync
Friday, October 8: Lip Sync, Pep Rally

Wednesday, October 6: Coronation @ 6 PM @ Old Gym, Secondary
Powder Puff Football @ 8 PM Football Field
Bonfire @ 9 PM

Thursday, October 7: High School will welcome the Elementary @ 8:20
Read to the Class

Friday, October 8: Pep Rally, Parade in Garwin @ 2:30
Elementary will leave Green Mountain @ 2:00
Football Game @ 7 PM
Introduction of Homecoming Court at ½ Time

Saturday, October 9: Homecoming Dance @ Yilek Store 8-11 PM



GMG Dress-Up Week

All GMG Students and Staff Dress-Up Days:

Monday, October 4:	PJ Day
Tuesday, October 5:	Tropical Day
Wednesday, October 6:	Character Day
Thursday, October 7:	Dress to Impress Day
Friday, October 8:	Spirit Day

Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS



Craft Show: Saturday, October 23rd

Time: 12:00 to 4 PM

Location: The Bull, Garwin



Trick or Treat: Saturday, October 30th

Time: 5 to 7 PM

Location: City of Garwin



Wacky Wednesday: October 13th & 27th

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: United Methodist Church, Garwin

GMG Community School Board Meeting
Garwin
Monday, September 13, 2021
Regular Meeting, 6:30 PM
Public Hearing, 7:00 PM

The GMG Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, September 13, 2021, at 6:30 PM, in the library at the GMG Secondary School in Garwin. Kyle Hall called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Members present were Kyle Hall, Doug Dieleman, Ann Jackson, Jill Roberts, Randy Sienknecht, and Jackie Stonewall. Nathan Holven joined the meeting at 7:09 PM. Also present were Chris Frimml, Jaimie Gargas, Kym Stein (via Zoom), Katie Mathern, Matt Ouderkirk, Lauren Ouderkirk, Ivan Ouderkirk, Annie Battles, Erin Murty, Susie Strohbehn, Eli Mathern, Charles Cowan, and Abe Dieleman.

Consent Agenda:

1. Board Meeting Agenda
2. August 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes
3. Bills Payable
4. Fall Activity Bills
5. Personnel - All personnel is approved pending suitable background check results and appropriate licensure.
 - a. Contracts: Bryan Ellenbecker as weight room supervisor and Payge Duerre as a secondary paraprofessional

Motion by Dieleman, second by Stonewall, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried with all ayes.

Reports:

Lauren Ouderkirk and Annie Battles spoke to the Board about the mentoring program at the elementary school.

Susie Strohbehn and Erin Murty shared about the mentoring program at the secondary school.

Mrs. Stein updated the Board on the increased numbers of open enrollment into the district.

Katie Mathern reported on the unofficial ending balances of the fiscal year in each fund.

Mr. Frimml reported the elementary is currently in the middle of FAST testing. The fourth grade was selected to do a national assessment of math and reading. GMG was asked to participate in this same assessment a few years ago. This assessment will be on February 1st, 2022.

Mr. Gargas reported he has been completing walkthroughs. At the secondary, they are looking forward to homecoming and getting everything organized. Parent night at football was on September 10th, and there was a great turnout. School pictures are completed for all grades. He stated there had been a lot of feedback from many stakeholders saying that GMG is headed in the right direction.

Superintendent Stein reported that a basketball hoop broke during the volleyball game. A company came to fix it and also inspect all of the others. The lift also broke at the secondary building, so we will be getting someone to come in to fix it. Mrs. Stein also mentioned people have brought up having an athletic trainer present for football games. We will look at getting on a list for next season.

Commendations:

Motion by Jackson, second by Holven, to approve the added commendations.

1. Businesses/organizations that provided donations for the new teacher gift baskets
 - a. The Knotty Mama, Sam DeWitt (silk flower arrangements)
 - b. Kristine Lea Photography (20-minute mini-session)
 - c. Gladbrook Young Women (\$10 Hometown Family Market Gift Card)
 - d. Mindy Savage (Scentsy Circle)
 - e. GNB Bank (note pad & car coaster)
 - f. Farmers Savings Bank (pen & post-it note package)
 - g. Garwin American Legion Lounge (2 tenderloin meals)
 - h. Hometown Family Market (\$10 gift card)
 - i. Michelle Burgess, (Norwex Envirocloth)
 - j. GMG Booster Club (T-shirt & Concession stand meal)
 - k. Lincoln Savings Bank
 - l. Stein-Hrabak coozies
2. Gladbrook Legion Auxiliary- flag raising

Motion carried with all ayes.

Public Hearing on Renewing the Instructional Support Levy was held at 7:00 PM.

The President opened the public hearing on the proposed resolution to consider continued participation in the Instructional Support Program. There were no patrons present. The public hearing closed at 7:01 PM.

Director Sienknecht introduced the following resolution and **moved** its adoption. Director Jackson seconded the motion to adopt. The roll was called, and the vote was AYES: Hall, Dieleman, Holven, Jackson, Roberts, Sienknecht, and Stonewall. NAYS: None.

The President declared the resolution adopted as follows:

1. The Board of Directors determines that it is consistent with the five (5) plan to fund the ongoing programs and services of the School District and it is in the best interest of the School District to participate in an Instructional Support Program as provided in Iowa Code sections 257.18 through 257.21, and to provide additional funding therefor for a period of five (5) years commencing the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022.
2. The additional funding for the Instructional Support Program for a budget year will be determined annually, and will not exceed ten percent (10%) of the total regular program district cost for the budget year and moneys received under Iowa Code section 257.14 as a budget adjustment for the budget year.
3. Moneys received by the District for the Instructional Support Program may be used for any general fund purpose.
4. The Instructional Support Program shall be funded by instructional support state aid and a combination instructional support property tax levied annually upon the taxable property within the School District commencing with the levy of property taxes for collection in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and instructional support income surtax imposed annually, the percent of income surtax to be determined by the Board for each budget year to be imposed upon the state individual income tax of each individual income taxpayer resident in the School District on December 31, 2022, and each year thereafter.
5. Unless, within twenty-eight days following the adoption of this resolution, the Secretary of the Board receives a petition containing the signatures of eligible electors equal in number to not less than one hundred or thirty percent of the number of voters at the last preceding regular school election, whichever is greater, asking that an election be called to approve or disapprove this action of the Board adopting the Instructional Support Program, this action of the Board is final and the Secretary is authorized and directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Department of Management.

Motion passed and approved.

Action Items:

Motion by Jackson, second by Stonewall, to approve Board Policy 501.9 Student Absences - Excused. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion by Stonewall, second by Jackson, to approve Board Policy 501.9E1 Request for Remote Learning Form. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion by Jackson, second by Roberts, to approve the Hillyard quote, in the amount of \$26,104.30, for cleaning equipment, using ESSER funds to purchase. Motion carried with all ayes.

Mrs. Stein tabled the consideration of snow removal bids to October's meeting.

Motion by Stonewall, second by Dieleman, to approve Board Policy 711.10 School Bus Seat Belt Policy. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion by Jackson, second by Sienknecht, to approve the Hrabak Lumber Co. quote, in the amount of \$20,898.60, for windows at the elementary, with the addition of tempered glass (\$6,000.00), pending the approval of the use of ESSER funds for the purchase from the Iowa Department of Education. Motion carried with all ayes.

Motion by Stonewall, second by Roberts, to approve the 300 series of Board policies as presented. Motion carried with all ayes.

Discussion Items:

The district is tracking the percentage of absenteeism related to COVID-19.

The State passed that there will no longer be virtual snow days. Any snow days will need to be made up at the end of the year, as needed.

Mrs. Stein explained a possible opportunity to share a special education director with Baxter Schools to earn operational sharing dollars.

Due to an increase in cybersecurity threats in nearby districts, GMG has increased its Cybersecurity insurance. The AEA will be doing a system update as well.

The Farm Committee will meet to decide on the bidding process for the Kienzle Farm.

The Policy Committee had their 1st reading of the 400 series in Board policy. The final reading will be held at next month's meeting.

GMG Community School District will send a SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats) survey to stakeholders. Data collected will be compiled and reviewed.

Motion by Sienknecht, second by Stonewall, to adjourn at 8:11 PM.

Introducing GMG Elementary's Student Success Coordinator & School Counselor

My name is Callie Niedert, and I am the new Student Success Coordinator here at GMG Elementary. This is a new position at GMG, and I am excited to start this new school year off by getting to know everyone! I will be collaborating with teachers and working with students to ensure success among all students. This may look like goal setting centered around academics, social/emotional, or behavior. I will be addressing student needs based on teacher recommendations. In addition, I will also be providing social, emotional, and behavioral support in coordination with the school counselor. My goal is to create a safe and positive learning environment where all students can empower, have opportunities, and grow.

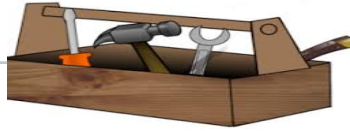
If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me! My email address is cniedert@gmgschools.org.



Hello!

I am Jackie Kriegel, and this is my first year as an elementary school counselor at GMG. I am very excited to assist and guide your child this school year. As the school counselor, I will provide a comprehensive school counseling program that focuses on social/emotional learning and career & academic success. I also conduct small group and individual meetings with students. The goal is for each student to develop socially, emotionally, and academically. My priority is to empower students and provide them with an opportunity to grow and develop as young individuals.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me! My email address is jkriegel@gmgschools.org.



Basic Home Construction Class students are working hard building a shed. While making the shed, the students are learning many new skills and how to use different materials. Students are enjoying learning and monitoring their progress on this activity.

7th & 9th Industrial Arts Class students are learning many new and exciting tools and materials. We are working on several small projects at this time. The students are learning with each project how to problem solve. We know that each tool has a purpose and should be used in a safe a productive way.

General Shop & Carpentry Tool Maintenance Class students work on many projects for our school and build small projects. Students in this class are also learning many tools and how to use them correctly. Students like taking apart projects and understanding how they were built.

Mr. Matt Boerm

Industrial Arts Education

October 2021

GMG Breakfast/Lunch Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Salad bar is served daily at lunch</p> <p>Salad bar offers fresh fruits and vegetables</p>				<p>1</p> <p>B: Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Juice & Low Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Super Nachos, Taco Beans, Orange Muffin & Low-Fat Milk</p>
<p>4</p> <p>B: Frosted Donut, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Corn Dog, Potato Wedges, Chocolate Cake & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>5</p> <p>B: Breakfast Biscuit, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Goulash, Green Beans, Breadstick & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>6</p> <p>B: Breakfast Bar, Juice & Low-Fat</p> <p>Early Out 1:30</p> <p>L: Mr. Ribb, French Fries & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>7</p> <p>B: Pancake on a Stick, Sausage, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Chicken & Noddles, Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Roll & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>8</p> <p>B: Omlet, Toast, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Hot Dog on a Bun, Baked Beans & Low-Fat Milk</p>
<p>11</p> <p>In-Service</p> <p>No School</p>	<p>12</p> <p>B: Breakfast Biscuit, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Chicken Nuggets, French Fries, Rice Krispie Bar & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>13</p> <p>B: Breakfast Pizza, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Mac & Cheese, Little Smokies, Peas & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>14</p> <p>B: Pancake, Sausage, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Tenderloin, Tator Tots & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>15</p> <p>B: Biscuits & Gravy, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Chili Soup, Cinnamon Roll & Low-Fat Milk</p>
<p>18</p> <p>B: Long John, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Italian Casserole, Green Beans, Breadstick & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>19</p> <p>B: Breakfast Biscuit, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Sloppy Joe, Hash Brown & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>20</p> <p>B: Breakfast Bar, Juice & Low-Fat</p> <p>Early Out 1:30</p> <p>L: Sub Sandwich, French Fries & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>21</p> <p>B: Waffles, Sausage, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Crispito, Chips, M & M Cookie & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>22</p> <p>B: Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Juice & Low Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Taco, Potato Wedges, Oatmeal Cookie & Low-Fat Milk</p>
<p>25</p> <p>B: Donut Holes, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Vegetable Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese, Chocolate Cake & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>26</p> <p>B: Breakfast Biscuit, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Chicken Sandwich, Tator Tots & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>27</p> <p>B: Breakfast Pizza, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Dinner Roll & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>28</p> <p>B: Pancake on a Stick, Sausage, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Hamburger on Bun, French Fries & Low-Fat Milk</p>	<p>29</p> <p>B: Omlet, Toast, Juice & Low-Fat Milk</p> <p>L: Tator Tot Casserole, Green Beans, Breadstick & Low-Fat Milk</p>

GMG Community School District

<div> <div>October ▼</div> <div>2021 ▼</div> </div>						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thr	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
					7:00pm: FB Varsity @ Don Bosco	9:30am: Cross Country Varsity B/G & n JH B/G @ Pine Lake Country Club 9:30am: Volleyb JV Tournament @ GMG 4:15pm: Volleyt Girls JH Tournament @ Gladbrook Reinbeck
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	4:30pm: Volleyt Girls JH @ Baxter 4:30pm: Footba JH-4:30 & JV-6:00 @ Colo-NESCO	4:15pm: Volleyt Girls JH vs North Tama 6:00pm: Volleyt Girls Fresh/Soph @ Collins-Maxwell 6:40pm: Volleyt Girls JV @ Collins-Maxwell 7:00pm: Volleyt Girls Varsity @ Collins-Maxwell	1:30pm: Early Out	4:00pm: Footba JH-4:00 (H) vs Belle Plaine 6:00pm: Pack the Gym! 6:00pm: Volleyt Girls Fresh/Soph (H) vs Baxter 6:40pm: Volleyt Girls JV (H) vs Baxter 7:00pm: Volleyt Girls Varsity (H) vs Baxter (Senior Night)	7:00pm: FB V (H) vs Dunkerton -- Homecoming	

10	11 No School In-Service 7:00am: School Board Meeting 4:30pm: Volleyt Tournament Fresh/Soph @ Saydel 6:00pm: Footba JV-6:00 (H) vs Dunkerton	12 8:00am: Picture Re-Takes 4:30pm: Volleyt Girls JH @ Meskwaki	13 6:00pm: Booste Meeting-Secondary	14 4:30pm: Cross Country HS B/G & JH B/G @ Wartburg 5:30pm: Volleyt Girls Fresh/Soph (H) vs East Marshall 6:15pm: Volleyt Girls JV (H) vs East Marshall 7:00pm: Volleyt Girls Varsity (H) vs East Marshall	15 IHSSA Speech Coaches Convention 7:00pm: FB V @ Colo-Nesco	16 IHSSA Speech Coaches Convention 9:00am: Volleyb Girls Varsity Tournament @ Tripoli
17	18 6:00pm: Footba JV-6:00 @ BGM	19 6:30pm: JH/HS Fall Concert 7:00pm: Volleyt Girls Regional	20 1:30pm: Early Out	21	22 7:00pm: Region Tournaments	23
24	25 7:00pm: Volleyt Girls Regional	26 End of Quarter 1	27	28 7:00pm: Volleyt Girls Regional	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6



#WolverineNation Home Events

HS Volleyball

9:00 Oct. 2 JV Tourney

6:00 Oct. 7 vs Baxter

5:30 Oct. 14 vs East Marshall

JH Football

4:15 Oct. 7 vs Belle Plaine

JV Football

6:00 Oct. 11 vs Dunkerton

VAR Football

7:00 Oct. 8 vs Dunkerton

Homecoming Game



Fall Sports Calendar for October

GMG Community School District

Friday, October 1, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
7:00pm	Football: Boys Varsity Game	vs. Don Bosco Catholic @ Don Bosco Catholic High School

Saturday, October 2, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
9:00am	Volleyball: Girls JV Tournament	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ GMG High School Garwin
9:30am	Cross Country: Girls JH Invitational	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ Pine Lake Country Club
9:30am	Cross Country: Girls Varsity Invitational	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ Pine Lake Country Club
9:30am	Cross Country: Boys JH Invitational	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ Pine Lake Country Club
9:30am	Cross Country: Boys Varsity Invitational	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ Pine Lake Country Club
4:15pm	Volleyball: Girls JH Tournament	vs. Gladbrook-Reinbeck MS @ Gladbrook-Reinbeck High School

Sunday, October 3, 2021

Monday, October 4, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
4:30pm	Football: Boys JH Game	vs. Colo-NESCO @ Colo-NESCO High School

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
4:30pm	Volleyball: Girls JH Match	vs. Baxter @ Baxter High School
6:00pm	Football: Boys JV Game	vs. Colo-NESCO @ Colo-NESCO High School

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
4:15pm	Volleyball: Girls JH Game <i>7th followed by 8th</i>	vs. North Tama @ North Tama High School Gym
6:00pm	Volleyball: Girls Fresh/Soph Match	vs. Collins-Maxwell @ Collins-Maxwell High School
6:40pm	Volleyball: Girls JV Match	vs. Collins-Maxwell @ Collins-Maxwell High School
7:00pm	Volleyball: Girls Varsity Match	vs. Collins-Maxwell @ Collins-Maxwell High School

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

Thursday, October 7, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
4:00pm	Football: Boys JH Game	vs. Belle Plaine @ GMG Secondary School Garwin
4:15pm	Football: Boys JH Game	vs. Belle Plaine
6:00pm	Volleyball: Girls Fresh/Soph Match	vs. Baxter @ GMG Community School District
6:40pm	Volleyball: Girls JV Match	vs. Baxter @ GMG Community School District
7:00pm	Volleyball: Girls Varsity Match	vs. Baxter @ GMG Community School District



GMG Community School District

Friday, October 8, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
7:00pm	Football: Boys Varsity Game	vs. Dunkerton High School @ GMG Secondary School Garwin

Saturday, October 9, 2021

Sunday, October 10, 2021

Monday, October 11, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
4:15pm	Football: Boys JH Game (Cancelled)	vs. Dunkerton High School @ GMG Secondary School Garwin
4:30pm	Volleyball: Girls Fresh/Soph Tournament	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ Saydel High School
6:00pm	Football: Boys JV Game	vs. Dunkerton High School @ GMG Secondary School Garwin

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
4:30pm	Volleyball: Girls JH Match	vs. Meskwaki Settlement @ Meskwaki High School

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

Thursday, October 14, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
4:30pm	Cross Country: Girls JH Meet	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ Wartburg Max Cross Country Course-Wartburg College
4:30pm	Cross Country: Girls Varsity Meet	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ Wartburg Max Cross Country Course-Wartburg College
4:30pm	Cross Country: Boys JH Meet	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ Wartburg Max Cross Country Course-Wartburg College
4:30pm	Cross Country: Boys Varsity Meet	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ Wartburg Max Cross Country Course-Wartburg College
4:30pm	Cross Country: Varsity Meet	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ Wartburg Max Cross Country Course-Wartburg College
	<i>JH: 4:30, HS Girls 4:55; HS Boys 5:30</i>	
5:30pm	Volleyball: Girls Fresh/Soph Match	vs. East Marshall @ GMG High School Garwin
6:15pm	Volleyball: Girls JV Match	vs. East Marshall @ GMG High School Garwin
7:00pm	Volleyball: Girls Varsity Match	vs. East Marshall @ GMG High School Garwin



GMG Community School District

Friday, October 15, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
7:00pm	Football: Boys Varsity Game	vs. Colo-NESCO @ Colo-NESCO

Saturday, October 16, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
9:00am	Volleyball: Girls Varsity Tournament	vs. <u>Multiple Schools..</u> @ Tripoli High School

Sunday, October 17, 2021

Monday, October 18, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
6:00pm	Football: Boys JV Game	vs. B-G-M Brooklyn @ BGM High School

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
7:00pm	Volleyball: Girls Varsity Regional	vs. TBA @ TBA

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

Thursday, October 21, 2021



GMG Community School District

Monday, October 25, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
7:00pm	Volleyball: Girls Varsity Regional	vs. TBA @ TBA

Tuesday, October 26, 2021

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Thursday, October 28, 2021

TIME	EVENT	DETAILS
7:00pm	Volleyball: Girls Varsity Regional	vs. TBA @ TBA

Friday, October 29, 2021

Saturday, October 30, 2021

Sunday, October 31, 2021

School Bus Safety Tips

Below are some tips and reminders for students and parents that pertain to the Animal Rescue League (ARL) route.

Danger Zones

School buses have Danger Zones. These are areas that are so close to the bus that it is very difficult for the bus driver to see students. The Danger Zone extends 15 feet to the front, rear, and sides of the bus. Please do not park your vehicle in or near these Danger Zones. To be safe, park at least 50 feet from the front of the bus.

Never put your child in a Danger Zone.

Morning pick-up time is 7:35 a.m.

Have your child ready to board before the bus arrives.

Park your vehicle on the north side of the intersection on Taylor Avenue. This allows the bus driver to have a clear view of vehicles and children boarding and unboarding.

Have your child board from the front of the bus, never from behind. This is putting your child in a Danger Zone.

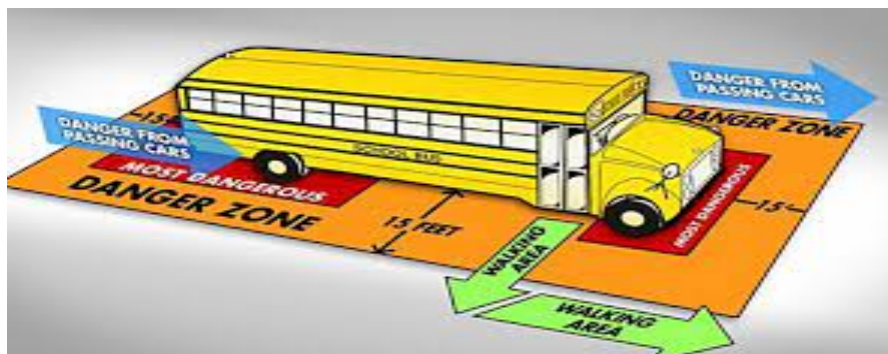
After school drop off time is 4:15 p.m.

To be safe, please assist your young children through the intersection. It is recommended to assist preschool and kindergarten students through the intersection.

If a parent is not at the drop off site then the child will be taken back to the elementary school and placed in Afterschool Day Care. The phone number is 641-474-2251.

Masks are Recommended

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school at 641-474-2251.





GMG COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT: Bus Rules and Regulations



The GMG School District is required by Iowa law that any and all student(s) who ride in a school vehicle must be informed by the school bus driver of the safe riding practices, school bus rules, and how to safely evacuate the school bus in an emergency. This information is required to be given to students twice each school year. The following bus rules and regulations are posted inside the bus as daily reminders.

Getting To the Bus

- Students should be at the bus stop on time
- They should give themselves plenty of time
- They should carry books and other objects in book bags
- Parents should not park behind the bus, this is a blind spot to the driver

Getting On the Bus

- Students should stand back from the bus 10 feet (5 giant steps)
- They should not push, shove or run toward the bus
- They should enter the bus single file and use the handrail
- They should go directly to their seat
- They should place bags or other objects under their seat

Riding On the Bus

- They should sit in their designated area, or assigned seat
 - They should sit quietly, facing forward with both feet on the floor, never get out of their seat while the bus is moving.
 - They should keep hands, feet, and inappropriate comments to themselves
 - They should not throw or shine anything out of the windows
 - They should not put their head, hands, or arms out the window
 - They should keep the bus aisle clear
- They should stop talking and sit quietly at the railroad crossings and other times when you the driver need quiet for safety reasons

Getting Off the Bus

- Drivers and students must be aware of the “school bus danger zones”.
- School bus drivers should always count students as they leave the bus and account for all of them before leaving the stop.
 - If a student is unaccounted for, the driver should not move the bus. The driver should place the transmission in neutral, set the emergency brake, turn off the ignition, and take the key before exiting the bus to look to see that the student is not around or under the bus.

Bus Route information can be located on GMG website: gmgschools.socs.net