



# Greene Central School NEWSLETTER

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## Greene CSD is Looking for All Eligible Kindergarten or UPK Students for the 2022/2023 School Year

If you have a student who will be either 4 or 5 by December 1st 2022, please let the Primary School Office know ASAP. Letters go out in January (K) and February (UPK). UPK has a limited number of spots to fill, so names will be drawn at random if more applications are received than we have spaces to fill. You can call (607) 656-4161 or email [janderson@greenecsd.org](mailto:janderson@greenecsd.org) with the information about your child. Please have your student's name, date of birth, home address and phone number included in the email or ready when you call.

—Mrs. Pratt & Mrs. Anderson



### TEACHER OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Middle/High School art teacher, Samantha Olbrys, who was named WICZ Fox 40's Teacher of the Week!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS NO SCHOOL

### FEBRUARY

18-21  
PRESIDENTS'  
DAY RECESS

### MARCH

18  
STAFF  
DEVELOPMENT  
DAY

### APRIL

11-15  
SPRING RECESS

### MAY

27 & 30  
MEMORIAL DAY  
WEEKEND

### JUNE

20  
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## **In Case of Bad Weather-GCS Closing Policy**

Adverse weather and/or road conditions may cause school closings or delays. Often, a two-hour delay for our buses will allow road crews enough time to sand or clear roads and provide a much safer transportation situation.

Parents should be advised that our bus drivers are instructed to not travel on any road that appears to be in hazardous conditions. Therefore, even when school is in session, isolated groups of students may not receive bus transportation. Parents are asked to please be extremely cautious when having young students exposed to the cold or wind for lengthy periods of time. Parents, please have your children dress properly for the weather. Example: Coats, boots, and gloves. In the event of a breakdown or an emergency students must be dressed appropriately. Finally, have students stand well back away from the road while waiting for the bus for their safety and the safety of those already on the bus.

In addition to our automated call system, announcements on closures or delays will be posted on our school's web page, our GCS App, Twitter, and the district's Facebook page. The GCS app is free to download; search for Greene Central School district in your app store. Please check these first, as some media outlets no longer accept closings and delays because most districts utilize the call system and web page. We will continue to provide snow closing information to area radio and television stations.

## **In the Event of a Delay**

- A. BOCES Occupation School Students—In the event of two-hour delay in opening, morning BOCES students will not be sent to the area center. They will stay at the High School campus.
- B. Students attending any special class or parochial school will be transported to their respective schools, but with a two-hour delay in arrival time.

It is important to continue to watch and listen for updates!

## **Early Dismissals**

In the event of a forecast that indicates approaching weather that may cause hazardous driving conditions, we may have an early dismissal. In this event, our automated calling system, our school app, our web page, Twitter, and our Schools Facebook page, local radio and news stations will be updated. We urge parents to alert caregivers of this possibility to ensure that younger children are not left at home unsupervised. Parents of elementary children, please contact the school at your earliest convenience with babysitter information, so that students are loaded properly on their bus.

—Transportation Department

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## Student Achievement



*We have been having a Primary Program one time per month for each grade level when we recognize citizens of the month. Students are awarded certificates and a group photo is posted on the Primary School webpage.*

*—Mrs. Pratt*



*Congratulations to Skyler Nowalk on her induction into the National Technical Honor Society at DCMO BOCES this is a well-deserved honor.*

*awesome!*



***Congratulations to the Boys Varsity Soccer team on winning the Section IV title for the first time in 30 years!***



***Congratulations to Olivia Kennedy on her signing a letter of intent to play softball at Caldwell University. Congratulations on this fine achievement Olivia!***



The following teams were NYSPHSAA Scholar Athlete Teams for the Fall Sports Season.

Field Hockey, Girls Soccer, Girls Swimming, Volleyball, Golf, Boys Soccer

The following athletes were MAC Scholar athlete for their team for the Fall Sports Season. Congratulations to all.

Football—*Grayson Flanagan*

Field Hockey—*Sarah Sexton*

Boys Soccer—*Alexander Boel*

Girls Soccer—*Cali Knapp*

Girls Swimming—*Natalie Specht*

Volleyball—*Grazielle Lora*

Golf—*Parker Flanagan*

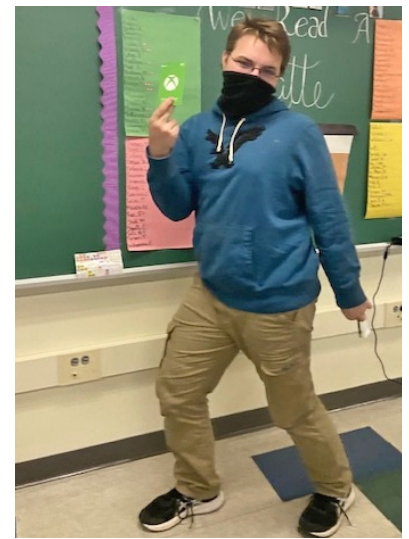
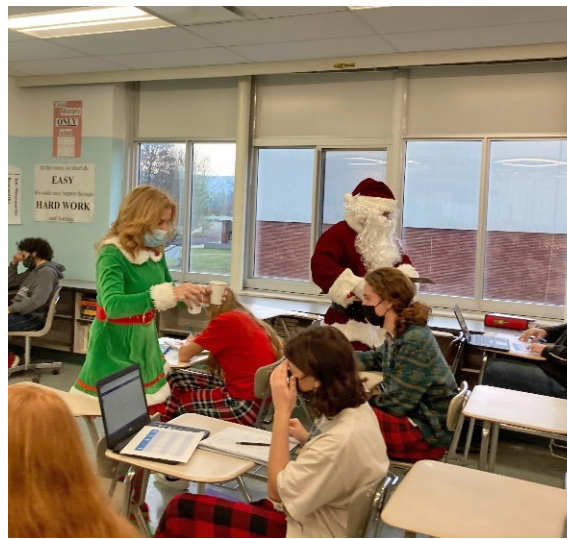
—*Mr. Ayres, Athletic Director*



## Student Council

The High School Student Council held the annual GCS Food Drive which aids our local Rotary Food Bank. Students & staff collected nearly 800+ food items earning the High School student body hot chocolate and candy canes the day before Holiday break. Santa and Mrs. Claus even stopped by to lend a helping hand! Student Council thanks Rotary for the opportunity to serve our community. In addition to the hot chocolate & candy canes, the High School students could earn raffle tickets for donating items or by earning a 100% on a test in the first five weeks of the 2nd marking period. Our lucky winners were: *Cali Knapp, Chris Boyle, Will Dunlap and Danny Arnold!*

—Miss Brant, Ms. Fiato



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## Homecoming

GCHS Students were able to enjoy Homecoming activities, with minor changes, this year! The spirit week competition, first annual outdoor pep rally, Homecoming parade, and an outdoor dance on the tennis courts were held. We were delighted to be able to provide a little normalcy to our student body.

—Miss Brant, Ms. Fiato



**King: Michael Gianetto**  
**Queen: Olivia Kennedy**



**Grand Marshal: Dan Frair.** Mr. Frair is a father of two Greene graduates, Kiersten, Class of 2017, and Alec, Class of 2020. In addition to providing continuous community support he is an active member of Rotary, a husband to one of our staff members (Evie), the Undersheriff for Chenango County, and a Navy Veteran.



**Homecoming Court (Left to Right) Adreana Romano, Damien Hitt, Carsyn Puglisi, Sebastian Quarella, Samantha Darling, Michael Gianetto, Olivia Kennedy, Trenton Rapp**

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## Student Activities



*Interact & Student Council members helped raise over \$1,000 for our local Salvation Army.*

*—Mrs. Fish*



*National Junior Honor Society members organized the prize room for the Middle School's annual Winter Carnival. Thank you to staff, students & community members for all of your donations!*

*—Mrs. Fish*



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## From the Cafeteria

The G.C.S. Food Service Department would like to thank you for your patience with recent menu changes. This is a result of food shortages. We will continue to keep you up to date on any menu changes made throughout the school year. Also watch out for our NY Thursdays on our menus. NY Thursdays are meals cooked from scratch in each school's kitchen using seasonal foods that are locally grown and harvested.

*—Mr. Corson*

### What are NY Thursdays?



NY Thursday meals are cooked from scratch in each school's kitchen using seasonal foods that are grown, harvested and/or produced in New York State.

We will be offering the meals on the third Thursday of every month.

Made possible by:  
DCMO BOCES Food Service Management Team  
Food and Health Network  
Sidney Farm to School Program

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**Greene, New York 13778**

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**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL MISSION**

The purpose of the Greene CSD is to provide a world-class education in order to develop well-equipped, motivated and adaptable lifelong learners. Our graduates will be well-prepared whether they enter the workforce or college. Our graduates will have the interpersonal, literacy and problem-solving skills that will allow them to contribute to society and be successful community citizens.

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL VISION**

The Greene CSD will be a model school in providing a flexible and nurturing environment that leverages innovation, collaboration and a variety of opportunities in all areas so as to support student growth and learning.

**Reminder**

Board of Education meetings are held in the Board of Education Conference Room. BOE meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

**2022 BOE MEETINGS**

**FEBRUARY 2**

**FEBRUARY 23**

**MARCH 16**

**APRIL 6**

**APRIL 20—DCMO BOCES BUDGET VOTE**

**MAY 9—BUDGET HEARING**

**MAY 17—BUDGET VOTE**

**MAY 18**

**JUNE 8**

**JUNE 29**



**Emergency Reminders**

Please notify the appropriate school office if there is any change in your child's emergency contact information. In the event of student illness, injury or an early dismissal, this information may be needed.

*Thank you!*