Grand Junction High School

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Important Dates

Senior & Junior Check-in Thursday, August 3—8am-3:30pm

Sophomore & Freshman Check-in

Monday, August 7—8am-3:30pm

Make-up Check-in

Monday, August 14—noon-7:30pm

Back-to-School Night

Monday, August 14—5:30-7:30pm

First Day of School

Wednesday, August 16—7:20am

School Pictures

Wednesday August 23— 7am-3:30pm

Make-up Pictures

Monday, Sept. 25—7:30-12:20pm

No School

Friday, Sept. 1—Educator **Effectiveness Training** Monday, Sept. 4—Labor Day

Letter from the Principal

Greetings Tiger families!

Welcome to the 2017-2018 school year. I want to offer a warm welcome from the GJHS staff. For our veteran families, welcome back, for our new families, welcome to high school! This next school year will be an exciting one. Grand Junction High School has been providing a tradition of excellence since 1911. As always, we have some great opportunities for students and families this year. The teachers and staff at GJHS will work hard to ensure that all 1750 students that walk through the doors this year have a wonderful high school opportunity. As a comprehensive 21st century high school, students will have opportunities in all developmental areas such as learning and academics, social and emotional development, athletics, clubs, music, arts, and transitioning to becoming independent adults. High school is definitely a time in our student's lives that drives future decisions and pathways, and allows students to explore and develop who they are becoming. I will assure you that we hold very high standards and expectations and we will support and foster your student's development through these teenage years. In addition, we will try our best to communicate the wonderful things we are doing with your students.

As students gear up for the school year, it is a good idea to start those rituals and routines before the first day of school so that not everything is new all at once. This year is going to be an amazing year. We have so many great things we are doing with your students. For our incoming freshmen families and parents, we are going to continue the positive transitions for incoming freshmen to the high school world. Freshmen will have a separate lunch from the upper classmen and will remain on campus. All freshmen have an access class, or a homeroom class. This class is where freshmen will be supported with a classroom teacher and upper class mentors to help provide the wonderful opportunities that GJHS offers.

This year we will continue our early release Thursday. Our data suggests that we have the most students missing class time on Tuesdays and Thursdays due to afterschool activities and sports. So the shift is to reduce the amount of class time lost on Thursday afternoons. Students will be released at 2:15 on Thursdays. The bus schedule will not change and will continue to transport students at 2:50 on Thursdays. Students who wait for rides or ride the bus are welcome to be on campus until being picked up like any other school day. Students who remain on campus will have the options of doing homework, socializing with friends and hanging out in a respectful manner. The early release time on Thursday's will be used mostly for professional development and meeting times for teachers. Some of the time may be used for clubs and activities. A schedule of the times and purpose will be sent out at a later date.

Please make sure to read the newsletter to find out information regarding check in dates, back to school night, and other important beginning of the year dates. I look forward to a great year with all of you!

Go Tigers,

Ari Goldberg

Important information about Check-In for 2017-2018:

What it is...

Every family needs to complete the **Check-In** process for students at the beginning of each school year. This involves several required things including, but not limited to:

Updating all contact information (please bring proof of address)

Updating custody information (bring any new court documents)

Updating health and immunization information (bring any new documentation)

Completing the Media and Publicity Consent form

Signing the internet use agreement (freshmen and students new to GJHS only)

Completing the Military Opt-Out form, if desired (juniors only)

Families may also apply for:

Free/Reduced Lunch Program

Parking permit (eligible juniors and seniors only – those with no outstanding financial obligations to GJHS). <u>There is a \$10 charge for the parking permit</u>. You will need to bring:

Student's Driver's license

Vehicle registration for each vehicle you may drive to school

Proof of insurance for each vehicle you may drive to school

Your parent - to sign the paperwork in person

At Check-In, your student will get:

New Student ID with a photo taken that day

Class schedule with teacher names and room numbers

Locker assignment

Individualized list of fees*

Please note that counselors will be involved in the Check-In process and will not be available for schedule corrections. Schedule corrections will be done on a first come, first served basis from 9am to 1pm on July 31st.

^{*}Fees are payable with credit card through My Payments Plus, check, or cash.

Important information about Check-In for 2017-2018: (cont'd)

When and where it is...

Check-In is held in the Student Commons and Cafeteria area of the building with the starting point at the east door into the Student Commons.

Dates and Times* for Regular Check-In are:

Seniors: Thursday August 3 8:00 – 11:30 am

Last Name	Suggested Start Time:
· A-G 8:00 –	9:00 am
· H-N 9:00 –	10:00 am
· O-Z 10:00 -	11:00 am

Juniors: Thursday August 3 12:30 – 4:00 pm

<u>Last Name</u>	Suggested Start Time
· A-G 12:30 –	1:30 pm
· H-N 1:30 -	2:30 pm
· O-Z 2:30 –	3:30 pm

Please note that Check-In will close from 11:30 to 12:30 for a lunch break for Check-In workers.

Freshmen: Monday August 7 8:00 am - 11:30 am

Last Name	Suggested Start Time:
· A-G 8:00 –	9:00 am
· H-N 9:00 -	10:00 am
· O-Z 10:00 -	11:00 am

Sophomores: Monday August 7 12:30 pm – 4:00 pm

<u>Last Name</u>	Suggested Start Time:
· A-G 12:30 –	1:30 pm
· H-N 1:30 -	2:30 pm
· O-Z 2:30 –	3:30 pm

*If you have multiple students and want to check them in all at the same time, please come to the later date and time so that we will have all the information ready for you.

If you cannot make it to the Regular Check-In times...

If you need an alternate time to check in, please come to Make-up Check-In on August 14. It will also be held in the Student Commons and Cafeteria area. Make-up Check-In is open to students of all grades.

Make-up Check-In will be:

Monday, August 14, 12:30 pm - 7:30 pm, on the same day as Back to School Night, which is 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm (see below).

Back to School Night

Monday, August 14, from 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Back to School Night Is the chance to come to school with your student to meet his or her teachers and see the school and classrooms ahead of the first day of classes. The first day of classes is Wednesday, August 16, starting at 7:20 am. Back to School Night uses an open-house format. You are free to come and go during the two-hour period according to what is convenient for you.

The GJHS Booster Club will be sponsoring a BBQ supper in the GJHS cafeteria during Back to School Night. The BBQ is free and open to all.

GJHS Fall Sports Registration

Grand Junction High School Fall Sports Online registration will open June 4.

GJHS ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION-

HOW TO REGISTER GUIDE

- 1. Each Student Athlete must register Online with **Family ID**. New students to Grand Junction HS must sign up and create an account. Returning students will log in to their account and update the information.
- 2. Each Student Athlete must turn into the **ATHLETIC OFFICE** a current physical (within the last 365 days). Physical forms can be printed off on the *Family ID* site under *Links* and/or a form picked up in the GJHS Athletic Office.
- 3. Physical must be SIGNED and DATED BY THE DOCTOR, clearly stating; *Cleared for all sports without restriction*.
- 4. Athletic Fee of \$140.00 per sport is DUE prior to first official practice.
- 5. Online payment (starting June 4) through <u>My Payments Plus</u> on the <u>Family ID</u> site under <u>Links</u>. https://www.familyid.com/grand-junction-high-school Go to the Grand Junction High School website (http://gjhs.mesa.k12.co.us/), click on Departments tab, then Athletics, and then go to Forms tab and click on Athletic Participation Registration. This will direct you to FamilyID where you can register for sports.
- 6. Check/Cash will be accepted at the GJHS Athletics Office (starting July 25). Questions/Concerns about Family ID registration contact: support@familyid.com or call 888-800-5583 ext.1

Dress Code 2017-18

At Grand Junction High School, we pride ourselves in having a safe and secure learning environment that enables all students to pursue a high quality education. Students assume a major responsibility in creating this safe and secure environment. This responsibility is reflected in many ways. One such way is the clothing students choose to wear to school. We also understand that styles and fashion change over time and we need to be adaptive to the needs of students and families, while also upholding standards that provide for modesty, comfort, and preparing students for their future.

- 1. Expectations:
 - a. Students are expected to dress appropriately and groom themselves for school and activities in a way that promotes personal, school, and community pride!
 - b. Clothing should always be neat, clean, tasteful, and modest.
 - c. Clothing should conceal traditionally private areas of the body, including, but not limited to, the buttocks, upper thighs, and chest/breasts. These expectations extend to visuals and artwork that may be depicted on shirts and other clothing.
 - d. Shoes must be worn at all times while on campus.
- 2. Prohibited Items-Clothing, hairstyles, images, and accessories will not be allowed that:
 - a. Threaten the safety or welfare of any person.
 - b. Strapless tops (tube tops),
 - c. Muscle shirts that expose the chest
 - d. Clothing that depicts men or women in various stages of undress
 - e. Pajamas and slippers, unless permitted on a Spirit or PRIDE Day.
 - f. Sweat shirts with hoods that can be converted into a mask (hoodies).
 - g. Degrade any race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or disability.
 - h. Bandanas or other clothing that may denote gang affiliation.
 - i. Are obscene, profane, vulgar, lewd, or legally libelous.
 - j. Promote tobacco, alcohol, drugs, or weapons.
 - k. Advocate sex or sexual activity.
 - 1. Disrupt the teaching-learning process.
 - m. Disrupt the safe and/or orderly school environment.
- 3. On Halloween (or the day closest to it) costumes are **not** to be worn during the school day or to school activities.
- 4. Appropriate athletic clothing must be worn in physical education classes.
- 5. Clothing normally worn when participating in school-sponsored co-curricular or sports activities (such as POMs and cheerleading) may be worn to school or school functions when approved by the sponsor, coach, and administration.
- 6. Costumes may only be worn (by students and/or teachers) during a specific class period(s) if the costume is tied to the curriculum or a given class. In addition, it must be school-appropriate, given the context of the unit or lesson. Teachers will work with the administrative team to determine what is acceptable/appropriate for a given project.
- 7. Students may participate in pre-approved dress-up day activities (such as Spirit Weeks, Homecoming, etc.) provided the attire is school appropriate (Orange and Black bandanas are acceptable on these occasions only.).
- 8. A student who is asked by a teacher to remove his/her hat or hoodie must comply.
- 9. A student who is found by any school or district employee to be in violation of the dress code policy may, after receiving rationale from the employee, correct the problem appropriately without further consequences.
- 10. If a student cannot promptly obtain appropriate clothing
 - a. On the first offense, the student will be given a verbal warning (If necessary school appropriate clothing may also be given to students).
 - b. On the second offense, the student may be given a written warning and an administrator may notify the student's parent or guardian (If necessary school appropriate clothing may also be given to students).
 - c. On the third offense, the student will remain in the main office or other designated office area for the day and do school work. This will constitute an in-school suspension and a conference with parents or guardian may be held.
 - d. On the fourth offense, the student may be subject to out-of-school suspension or other disciplinary action in accordance with relevant disciplinary procedures outlined in the school disciplinary code.
- * Administration reserves the right to make changes to these policies at any time

GRAND JUNCTION HIGH SCHOOL REGULAR BELL SCHEDULE

2017-2018

Block Periods

Traditional Periods

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1 st Block	I
7:25-9:00	2
	8:15-9:00
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3 rd Block	9:05-9:55 (Announcements)
9:05-10:45	4
	10:00-10:45
	5A
9 th Grade	- 10:48-11:33
10 th -12 th G	rade - LUNCH
	5B
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(10 th -12 th only) 11:35-1:10	6
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7 th Block	1:15-2:00
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	2:05-2:50

GRAND JUNCTION HIGH SCHOOL THURSDAY / ADVISORY BELL SCHEDULE 2017-2018

Block Periods

Traditional Periods

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1 st Block	7:25-8:02
7:25-8:44	2
	8:07-8:44
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3 rd Block	8:49-9:28 (announcements)
	Advisory
8:49-9:28 &	9:33-10:03
10:08-10:45	4
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	5A
9 th Grade	- 10:48-11:25
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7 th Block	12:54-1:31
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2017-2018 School Year GJHS Calendar

School Not in Session

Teacher In-service August 11 & 14, 2017

Teacher Work DaysAugust 10 & 15, 2017
October 16, 2017
January 8, 2018
March 9, 2018
May 25, 2018

Teacher EE Day September 1, 2017

HS In-service October 26 – 27, 2017

HS Non-Contact May 3-4, 2018

School in Session

Parent/Teacher Conferences

The weeks of: September 11, 2017 November 6, 2017 February 5, 2018 April 9, 2018

Exact dates to be determined later.

School	Not	Tn	Session
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September 4	Labor Day
November 20 - 24	Thanksgiving Break
December 25 - January 5.	Winter Break
January 15	.Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 19	Presidents' Day
March 12 - 16	Spring Break

T	Teacher In-service – All Schools
С	Parent/Teacher Conferences
G	Graduation
N	No School Non-Contact Day
W	Teacher Work Day – All Schools
EE	Teacher Educator Effectiveness – All Schools
•	Last Day of Quarter-School in Session
	No School-Non Contract Days

Statistical Record Data

Total number of contact days elementary -	167
Total number of contact days middle -	168
Total number of contact days high -	170

Classes Begin	August 16 , 2017
1st Quarter Ends	October 13, 2017 (40 ES/MS - 41 HS)
2nd Quarter Ends	December 22, 2017 (41 ES/MS - 42 HS)
3rd Quarter Ends	March 8, 2018 (39 ES - 40 MS - 41 HS)
4th Quarter Ends	May 24, 2018 (47 ES/MS – 47 HS)

General Staff Information

High School Principals	s' First Day	July 12, 2017
Middle School Principa	als' First Day	July 27, 2017
Elementary School Pri	ncipals' First Day	July 27, 2017
Teachers' First Day		August 10, 2017
Teachers' Last Day		May 25, 2018
Elementary School Pri	ncipals' Last Day	June 8, 2018
Middle School Principa	als' Last Day	June 8, 2018
High School Principals	'Iast Dav	June 21 2018