### GREER HIGH SCHOOL Opening School Information & Student Handbook Highlights

#### 21-22 SCHOOLYEAR

#### Welcome Back!!! We have missed you!!

The goal of this presentation is to:

- Serve as a "Back to School" guide.All links for forms will be embedded within this presentation.
- 2) Review Covid Safety Guidelines
- 3) Highlight Critical Elements of the Student Handbook



#### **GREER HIGH VISION**

Students will graduate college- and career-ready, inspired to make a positive difference in society.



#### **Graduation Plus (G+)**

#### What is Graduation +?



In the state of Carolina, Near the mountains blue, **Stately stands a noble structure** With a spirit true. **CHORUS**: Lift your voices **Shout your praises Over hill and dale**. Here's to thee, our Alma Mater, Hail thee, Greer High, Hail!

Now and when we have departed From her halls afar; May her truths and lofty ideals Be our guiding star.

#### **Greer High Alma Mater**



#### **#Commitedtogrowth GHS 21-22**

#### **Discuss...**

This is our school's focus for the 21-22 school year. What do you think this theme means? How will you be #committed to growth?

#### Action...

On a strip of paper, finish the following sentence...

"Before I graduate I will..."

This goal can be anything academic, personal, etc.

Who is willing to share your goal?

#### **Important Links and Forms**

#### **Click here to access an electronic copy of the** <u>Student Emergency Information Form</u>

It is extremely important for students to submit an updated Student Emergency Information Form every year. This year's form can be submitted in one of the following formats.

 ALL students can print, scan, and email the form to Nurse King at <u>hking@greenville.k12.sc.us</u>. 2) Students will receive a physical copy during homeroom. They can turn in the physical copy (turn in boxes will be available in the front office, health room, and commons area).

This form is required to be turned in by ALL students.

#### **Important Links and Forms**

Please consider joining the GHS PTSA. The PTSA funds educational needs, teacher grants, and student scholarships. Memberships are only \$5 per person. Please click the link to join and pay online.

#### Join PTSA!

For other payment options, please visit the GHS PTSA website page which can be found under the Parents tab on the GHS website. Free and reduced lunch applications are available online this year. Please click on the link below for access.

#### Application for Free and Reduced Lunch

### Important Links & Forms---FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (**FERPA**) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. If a parent signs a FERPA waiver this means the student opts out of sharing all personally identifiable information. This includes pictures in the yearbook, and on the school website. It also means the student's name can not be printed or mentioned in any type of recognition, including graduation programs.

Please click below to read additional information regarding FERPA.

FERPA NotificationFERPA Notification SpanishFERPA Directory InformationFERPA Directory Information-Spanish

Parents must come in to the main office to sign a FERPA waiver if they choose to opt their student out of sharing any information.

#### Important Links & Forms Notification of Rights

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) affords parents and eligible students certain rights regarding our conducting of surveys, collection and use of information for marketing purposes and certain physical exams.

Please click below to read additional information regarding PPRA.

Notification of Rights-English

Notification of Rights-Spanish

Notification of Public Benefits (Medicaid) English

## **Covid Protocols and Procedures 21-22**<u>GCSD COVID FAQ</u>

- "In keeping with the proviso that was recently passed by the South Carolina Legislature, neither students nor staff are required to wear masks."
- "However, the CDC continues to recommend masking and parents are encouraged to review the advice of public health professionals before deciding what is best for their children."

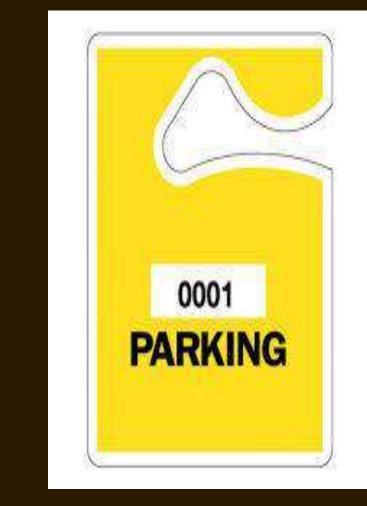
- "Schools will enforce 3-feet of social distancing when possible."
- "Schools will be disinfected each night and high touch common areas will be cleaned throughout the day."
- "Buses will be disinfected twice each day."

### **Covid Protocols Continued**

- "Students who come in close contact with a COVID-19 contagious person must quarantine for a minimum of 10 days."
- "Students who provide proof they have been fully vaccinated are exempt from quarantine, unless they develop symptoms."
- "Just like last year, students who test positive for the coronavirus are required to isolate for 10 days, or longer if symptoms have not improved."

- Hand Sanitizing Stations are throughout the school. Practice good hygiene and social distance in an effort to stop the spread of germs.
- Follow this <u>link</u> to access the GCSD Return to School section of the website.

**Student Parking Passes** Student parking passes are \$30. Students must have completed ALIVE at 25 to purchase a pass and have paid all school debts. Please see the website for more information and see Mr. Phillips for any additional questions.



#### Student Acceptable Use Policy Agreement

The School District of Greenville County provides computer, network, e-mail, and Internet access to students as part of the learning environment. While these systems have the power to deliver a huge number of resources to our classrooms, their ability to serve students depends on the responsible and ethical use of them by every student.

GCS may install software and/or hardware to monitor and record all information system resources, usage, including e-mail and Web site visits. The district retains the right to record or inspect any and all files stored on district systems.

"Acceptable use" of these systems is use that is consistent with the instructional goals of the District. If you break "acceptable use" rules, you may lose the privilege to use both classroom computers and/or the Internet. Further disciplinary and/or legal action may be taken at the discretion of school administration. You are responsible for the chromebook assigned to you. All chromebooks are marked with bar codes and should not be removed.

If you have any issues with your chromebook, you need to see Mrs. Grizzle in the media center between 8:00 AM and 8:45 AM.

#### Chromebooks

The Greer High School Chromebook handbook can be accessed by clicking on the link below.

<u>Chromebook</u> <u>Highlights</u>

### **Chromebooks** Continued

The GHS Administration understands that with any technology device, honest accidents can happen. Our procedures include protections for students who incur damages to their Chromebook (broken screen, keyboard malfunction, etc.).

Procedures for Accidental Damage:

Ist Offense of Accidental Damage- Parent Contact, Warning, Replacement At No Cost To Student. 2nd Offense of Accidental Damage:

Parent Contact, full replacement cost of parts or full replacement cost of Chromebook as applicable will be charged to student

A new Chromebook will be issued upon payment of the replacement cost.

Note: GHS reserves the right to revoke use of Chromebook for students at any time

Students who deliberately damage a Chromebook (or have their Chromebook deliberately damaged by a family member or peer) will not fall under the accidental damage procedure listed above.

### **Be Responsible!**

- Take care of your chromebook. Charge them AT HOME, every night.
- You are responsible for your chromebook and charger.
- It is a good idea to purchase a case or protective covering for your chromebook.
- <u>Good news</u> There is no technology fee for GCS students this year!



### **Tardies-Be on time!**

Students have five minutes in between classes to manage hallways, visit the restroom, and move from one end of campus to the other.

Class time is very valuable, and it is important that you are there, on time every day in order to maximize your learning opportunities.

- □ First Tardy Warning
- □ Second Tardy Warning
- Third Tardy Final Warning,
   Parent Contact
- Fourth Tardy Referral,
   Administrator Assigned Detention
- Fifth Tardy Referral,
   Administrator Assigned ISS
- Sixth Tardy Referral,
   Administrator Assigned ISS
- Seventh and Subsequent Tardies –
   Referral, Administrator Assigned
   OSS

### **Attendance Policy**

- Class attendance is counted by each individual class.
- The student should be present for at least half of a class to be counted present.
- Example: a student may have 5 absences in first period, 2 in second, and none for the rest of the day. 2.

- Students are allowed 10 absences in year- long classes and 5 absences in semester classes.
- Absences in excess of this may result in loss of credit for the class.
- Seat Time Recovery will be offered this year for students who have excessive absences. There is a cost of \$10 for every 3 hours served of STR.



### **Early Dismissals**

Early Dismissal Requests must be turned into the box in the main office by 8:45 A.M.

Written request must be made by parents and state the reason, time to leave, and parents' work, home, and cell phone numbers.

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NO EARLY DISMISSALS AFTER
3:00 PM
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Once the early dismissal has been confirmed, you will need to pick up your yellow slip and check out with the front office clerk before leaving school grounds.

All early dismissals must exit from the front office.

### **School Counseling**

Last Names A-C -Ms. Morgan Hill

Last Names D-H- Mrs. Atiba B. Jackson

Last Names I-N - Ms. Carla Henry

Last Names O-TI - Mr. Coleby Moellman

Last Names To-Z - Dr. Shay Knight



### Media Center

- Hours 8:15 4 pm
- Before & after school and lunch no pass is required to visit
- Students can check out 4 books at a time
- Interested in book club? Text
   @bookjack to 81010

Please see the media center website on the school web page for more information.

https://www.greenville.kl2.sc.us/gree rhs/main.asp?titleid=media

Follow us on instagram @librarygreerhs



#### **ID Badges**

All students, staff and faculty must correctly wear a school issued ID at all times during the designated school day, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS!

If a student comes to school before the 8:45 tardy bell without an ID, they will have the option to purchase an ID for \$5.00. Refusal to wear an ID or inability to purchase a new ID will result in an ISS assignment for I full school day. Purchasing an ID is not an excused tardy for 1st block.



#### **Dress Code**

Students are expected to dress in an appropriate manner while on school district property or representing the school. Personal appearance shall be such that it does not disrupt student work or school order, become distractive to other students, or violate health and safety guidelines.

- Clothing or jewelry is not permitted that displays profanity, suggestive phrases, alcohol, tobacco, drug advertisements, or other inappropriate phrases or symbols.
- Shirts/blouses should be an appropriate length and not inappropriately expose body parts.
- At no time should the student's midriff be visible while standing, sitting, or participating in normal school activities, e.g. raising hand.

- ALL shirts/blouses MUST have a shoulder strap including straps worn underneath see-through garments. Shoulder straps must be at least one inch.
- No tank tops with spaghetti straps,
- Undergarments must not be visible at any time.



### **Dress Code...Continued**

- Pants, shorts, and skirts must be worn at the waist level.
- Skirts, shorts and dresses must be properly fitted and the hem should not be more than ID width (horizontally) above the knee.
- Excessively baggy and excessively tight clothing is not permitted. Leggings, jeggings, and workout fitting pants may be worn if a t-shirt, blouse or sweater worn on top is long enough to meet the ID width standard.
- Pajamas, night clothes, or lounging pants may not be worn.

- Torn clothing or pants with holes an ID width above the knee may not be worn.
- No jeans with holes above the knees are permitted. Paper/tissue is not an acceptable patch.
- Accessories such as hats, hoods, sunglasses, hair curlers, skullies, do-rags, bandanas or head scarfs or head/hair wraps may NOT be worn
- Extraneous articles hanging from clothing such as chains are not permitted.
- Facial jewelry that causes a distraction is not permitted.

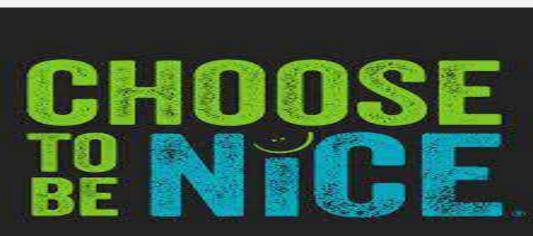
#### **Dress Code...Continued**

Blankets cannot be worn or used in lieu of a sweater, jacket, or coat. Shoes or sandals must be worn. Slippers/bedroom shoes are not allowed. Dress Code Violation Consequences: I st violation: Warning/ISS until violation is corrected 2nd violation: ISS 3rd violation: OSS

# Bullying, Harassment, Intimidation & Misconduct

Bullying, Harassment, Intimidation, and Misconduct are not tolerated at Greer High School. If you are being bullied, or know someone who is, please report the incident(s) to a principal, counselor, or teacher. GCSD Board Policy on Bullying can be acessed by clicking the link below.

http://www.boarddocs.com/sc/greenville/Boa rd.nsf/Public#.



#### **More Information**

The entire Greer High School student handbook can be found on the GHS website or by clicking on this <u>link.</u>

All students will sign off on their understanding of the expectations of both the Student Handbook and the Chromebook Handbook while in Advisory Class.

We are looking forward to a great school year!