

GREENFIELD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

COUGAR CONNECTION

Dear GIS Families:

A Few Important Items:

- **(NEW) Sneak Peek** - Want to see what your child's ISTEP+ test format will look like? [Click here](#) to see a sneak peek. This would be a GREAT thing to go over with your child in advance of the test next semester.
- **(NEW) Character First** - The character trait for the month of December is Discernment. We are defining Discernment as "Finding out why things happen." Please take a minute to speak with your student about this month's character trait.
- **(NEW) Cougars and Cubs** - We have had a wonderful first semester in Cougars and Cubs! The last days to meet this semester will be December 12th and 13th. We will take a break and allow the high school volunteers to study for and take their finals the last week of the semester. We also have to recruit and allow time for the new high school kids to turn in paperwork for second semester, so we will start back up on February 8th and 9th. Your student will continue to be enrolled second semester. Have a wonderful break!
- **(NEW REMINDER) NWEA Middle of the Year Testing** - The window for our second round of testing began Monday. Please encourage your child to give his/her best effort on these assessments. We will use this data to make educational decisions beginning second semester. This is their chance to "show what they know!"
- **(NEW REMINDER) Math Bowl Tryouts** - Math Bowl tryouts for 4th-6th grade students will be Thursday, December 14th at 7:00am in Ms. Lewis' room (B214). Math Bowl is a great way to challenge yourself if you love math! Practices are two mornings a week at 7:00am. The Math Bowl competition will be held February 22, 2018. Students MUST attend Math Bowl tryouts or contact Ms. Lewis or Ms. Mohrbach if they want to be a part of the team. We need some great mathematicians!

Upcoming Dates:

- Blue or Gold Day? - Monday will be a BLUE Day
- NWEA Middle of Year Testing Continues - 12/11
- 5th Grade Field Trip - 12/19
- End of Quarter Two - 12/22
- Winter Break - 12/25-1/5
- Students Return To School - 1/8

Sincerely,

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