

GREENFIELD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

COUGAR CONNECTION

Dear GIS Families:

A Few Important Items:

- **(NEW) ISTEP+ Round Two** - We are closing in on our second round of ISTEP+ testing. Our practice test for all students will take place on Monday. We will begin operational testing on Monday, April 23rd. Again, I encourage you to take a positive approach with your student regarding the test. The attitude of adults makes a huge difference in the students! Additionally, for the days we are testing, I ask that you please do your best to make sure your student is well-rested, eats a good breakfast, and is here at school everyday if well.

- **(NEW) Spirit Week** - Next week is our annual spirit week for Riley Hospital! We will have penny wars at lunch and the winning grade level will earn an ice cream party. So start digging for those pennies! Additionally, we've got several fun days planned (see attachment for further info):

- Monday - Crazy Sock Day
- Tuesday - College Day
- Wednesday - Hat Day (\$1.00 to participate)
- Thursday - Class Colors Day (4th grade wears Blue, 5th grade wears Green, 6th grade wears Black)
- Friday - Crazy Hair Day

- **(NEW REMINDER) Visiting GIS** - Now that the main office has moved, all visitors to GIS will need to park in the lot on the north side of the building (door 11). There will be designated visitor parking spaces there, but if those are full you may park in other nearby spaces as well.

- **Character First** - The character trait for the month of April is Compassion. We are defining Compassion as "Helping others feel better." Please take a minute to speak with your student about this month's character trait.

- **PTO** - Calling all parents! Greenfield Intermediate School currently does not have a PTO. We are hoping to change that for next school year! If you think you might be interested in participating in this endeavor, please email me at dmarine@gcsc.k12.in.us or reply to this email.

- **Volunteer Opportunities** - Are you interested in volunteering to help at GIS? Great! We have many things we could use your help with! If you are interested, you can sign up by [clicking here](#). We'd love to have you :)

Upcoming Dates:

- Blue or Gold Day? - Monday will be a BLUE Day
- ISTEP+ Practice Test - 4/16
- 4th Grade Field Trip - 4/20
- ISTEP+ Testing - 4/23-4/30
- NWEA Testing Window Opens - 5/1
- 6th Grade Field Trip - 5/15
- Incoming 7th Grade Parent Night at GCJHS - 5/15 @ 7:00pm-8:00pm
- Incoming 4th Grade Parent Night at GIS - 5/16 @ 7:00pm-8:00pm
- 6th Grade Visit to GCJHS - 5/17
- 6th Grade Field Trip - 5/22
- Memorial Day (No School) - 5/28
- 4th Grade Awards - 5/29 @ **8:00am (correction made from last week's Cougar Connection)**
- 5th Grade Awards - 5/29 @ 1:00pm
- 6th Grade Awards - 5/31 @ 8:00am
- Last Student Day - 5/31