## GREENFIELD INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL COUGAR CONNECTION

Dear GIS Families:

## A Few Important Items:

- (NEW) ISTEP+ Round Two One more day to go! Our students will take their last session on Monday. I've been very proud of their efforts this week!:)
- **(NEW) NWEA End-of-Year Testing** The window for our second round of testing begins on Wednesday. Please encourage your child to give his/her best effort on these assessments.
- (NEW) Teacher Appreciation Week The week of May 7th is Teacher Appreciation Week. We are blessed to have the MOST AMAZING teachers here at GIS! Now YOU have the chance to let them know how much you appreciate them. GIS K-Kids will be selling Teacher Thank You cards at lunch next week (April 30-May 4) and will be distributed the following week (see attachment). The cost is 25 cents per Thank You note with a candy message. Students can purchase them at lunch and K-Kids will deliver them during Teacher Appreciation Week. If you choose to not participate in that fashion, I encourage you to show your appreciation for your child's hard-working teachers at some point during the week. The GIS teachers put in countless hours each week to prepare your child for the next grade-level!
- (NEW) Spring Book Fair The Book Fair is back! This will be open next week for students and Buy 1 Get 1 Free starts Monday. We will have a luau theme to accompany the book fair, so on Tuesday students may wear Hawaiian attire and on Thursday, students may wear flip flops. Additionally, we will also have two nights next week where parents can come browse. Please feel free to join us at GIS on Tuesday, May 1st or Thursday, May 3rd both from 5:00pm-7:00pm.
- (NEW) Box Tops for Education The last day to send in box tops for our contest is Monday, April 30th. The top three students will win \$10 to use at the Book Fair and the top two classes will win an ice cream sundae party.
- **(NEW) Survey** The Greenfield Parks Department is updating its Five Year Master Plan. A Community Survey has been designed to gather information from area residents and users to learn more about the recreational interests and to provide an opportunity to express opinions concerning the programs, activities and the quality of the Greenfield Parks. Fiscal responsibility and efficiency

through proper planning are very important to the Park Board and Staff. **To take the Survey, please** go to <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GreenfieldParks">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GreenfieldParks</a>

- (NEW) Character First The character trait for the month of May is Initiative. We are defining Initiative as "Recognizing and doing what needs to be done before I am asked to do it." Please take a minute to speak with your student about this month's character trait.
- **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 <u>clicking here</u>. We'd love to have you:)

## **Upcoming Dates:**

- Blue or Gold Day? Monday will be a BLUE Day
- ISTEP+ Testing 4/30
- NWEA Testing Window Opens 5/1
- Teacher Appreciation Week 5/7-5/11
- 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
- 5th Grade Awards 5/29 @ 1:00pm

- 6th Grade Awards 5/31 @ 8:00am
- Last Student Day 5/31

## **Attachments:**

- Lunch Menu
- Cougar Youth Football Camp Info
- YMCA Summer Camp Info
- ---The program will be held at Weston Elementary School, 140 Polk Avenue, Greenfield, from 6:30am-6:00pm. Lunch will be offered each day. Parents will need to provide two snacks per day and a water bottle. Program dates and cost are listed at the top of the form. Information about financial assistance is available by calling 317-484-9622. Families will need to provide the front page of their 2017 tax return in order to apply. Those who earn \$55,000 or less will qualify for some assistance. This should be done before doing online registration. The YMCA also accepts CCDF vouchers. Registration may be completed online at <a href="indymca.org/youthdevelopment">indymca.org/youthdevelopment</a>
- Teacher Appreciation Week Info