GCMS Cougar Connections

November, 2025

#OneTeam

Basketball is Back!
Be sure to check the calendar on pg. 4 for all of our upcoming games! Remember, all admission to GC sporting events is now through gofan.co

GUIDELINES TO SUCCESS

Give your best everyday

Consider and respect others

Make a positive difference

Strive for excellence

Follow Us on Social Media!

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Follow us @GCMSCougars

GRAYSON COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL

VISION:
To build successful, productive citizens who have a meaningful impact on their community.

MISSION:
Empower students to reach their full potential by achieving academic excellence and embracing our core values.

Veterans Day Ceremony To Be Held on Nov. 11



GCMS will be holding a Veterans Day ceremony on Tue., Nov. 11 at 7:50 a.m. in the GCMS gym. Any veteran or active-duty personnel who is a family member of a GCMS student or staff member is invited to participate. Please report to GCMS by 7:30 a.m. to sign in. If you plan to attend, please complete the Google Form that was shared through text or on the website.

Lunch and Learn Event on Nov. 14

GCMS is excited to announce that Lunch and Learn will be returning for its 6th installment on Friday, Nov. 14. At Lunch and Learn, parents and families come out to share a Thanksgiving Meal with our students. Additionally, we invite you to come a little early or stay a little later to see our Cougar Zone Showcase in the Auditorium!



Ring the buzzer out front, and visit the front tables to register and buy your lunch ticket. Those pre-registered and pre-paid will be the fastest in the building! Be sure you know which lunch class you'll be joining with your student! Adult meal price is $5. Attending? Please complete the Google Form or visit the GCMS website for more information.

GCMS Kicking Off Annual Food Drive Nov. 6-Dec. 5

On Nov. 6, GCMS will begin the annual Food Drive for the Grayson Co. Alliance! Canned or non-perishable food items may be brought by students or transported by parents. Please indicate the student's name and grade level on the donation, as we have a spirited but friendly competition. More information about rewards will be coming soon. Thanks in advance for helping us serve our local community! 5 of the last 7 years GCMS has been the biggest donor of items by weight! This year's goal is 3,100 pounds. Let's help our students understand the importance of making an **impact** on their community.





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GCMS Art Show!

Works were on display in Mrs. Shepherd's Art Room during October! Lots of talent and effort from our students!









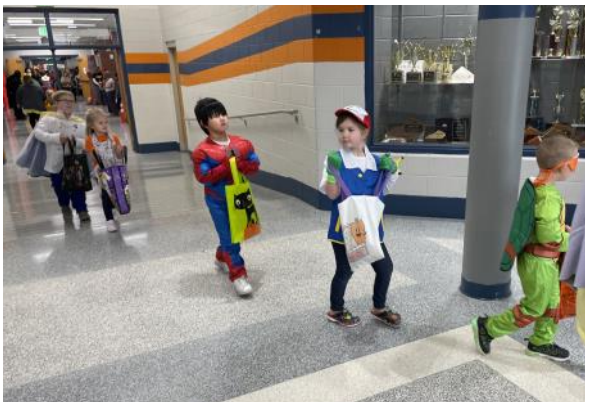
Red Ribbon Week a Success!

In coordination with the Leitchfield FRYSC, students enjoyed a fun "theme week" for Red Ribbon Week Oct. 27-31. Established as a non-profit, the National Family Partnership sets as its mission to lead and support families and communities in nurturing the full potential of healthy, drug free youth. The event culminated with our annual Halloween Costume Contest!



Trick or Treat!

GCMS students and staff also enjoyed our annual Wilkey Trick or Treat Parade on Halloween morning. Big thanks to all who pitched in with candy donations to make this a fun time for all!





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Nov., 2024

Mark Your CALENDAR

Thanksgiving Break—Nov. 24-28

Christmas Break—Dec. 22-Jan. 5

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Girls Basketball Underway

The Lady Cougars are starting strong, with several wins in all 3 grade levels!





Cougar Zone

Mon-Thu. 3-5

& Tue-Fri Before School!

24/7 Access to Grades

Need parent portal? Go to our website, and click the button that says "Need Parent Portal" It's as easy as that!

Infinite Campus Parent Portal Login

GCMS Students and Staff—Working Hard as ONE TEAM!

































GCMS Grayson County Middle School

Living Calendar

November 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3 Mandatory PD/No School Girls Basketball vs. Butler AWAY 5:30 Boys Basketball Night of the Future Stars 6:00	4 MVP/Case Assessment Window Open Boys Basketball vs Ohio AWAY 5:30	5 Debbie Childress-AM Guest Speaker Girls Basketball vs. Owensboro 7/8 AWAY 5:30	6 Boys Basketball vs Butler 6-8 HOME 5:00 KY ACDA Jr. High All State Choir	7 KY ACDA Jr. High All State Choir	8
9	10 MTSS Transition Girls Basketball vs. Ohio Co. HOME 5:30 Boys Basketball vs McLean AWAY 5:30	11 Veteran's Day Program - Gym - 7:45 a.m. Girls Basketball vs. Bowling Green AWAY 5:30 Boys Basketball vs Breck HOME 5:00	12	13 Principal's Advisory - Conf. Room - 7:30 Visit - Senator Steve Meredith Girls Basketball vs. Edmonson AWAY 5:30 Boys Basketball vs Edmonson 6-8 HOME 5:00	14 Progress Grades Go Home Lunch & Learn Thanksgiving Meal	15
16	17 Community Involvement Mtg 3:15-4:15 (Cheer) Boys Basketball vs Trinity 6-8 HOME 5:00	18 Girls Basketball vs. Muhlenberg HOME 5:30 Boys Basketball vs Barren 6-8 AWAY 5:30	19 SBDM Meeting 3:15 Girls Basketball vs. Whitesville 6/7/8 HOME 5:30	20 *Board Meeting - 5:30 p.m./Caneyville* Girls Basketball vs. Breck 6/7/8 HOME 5:30 Boys Basketball vs Hancock 6-8 AWAY 5:30	21 Goal Cards Activity - All Students	22
23	24 Flex PD/No School	25 Thanksgiving Break/No School Girls Basketball vs. Hancock 6/7/8 AWAY 5:30	26 Thanksgiving Break/No School	27 Thanksgiving Break/No School	28 Thanksgiving Break/No School	29

December 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Nov. 30	1 Fastbridge Window Opens Boys Basketball vs Heritage Christian AWAY 5:30	2 Boys Basketball vs Hancock 6-8 HOME 5:30	3 GATE - KYA Girls Basketball vs. Owensboro 7&8 HOME 5:30	4 GATE - KYA Girls Basketball vs. Edmonson HOME 5:30 Boys Basketball vs Owensboro AWAY 5:30	5 Principal's Advisory - Conf. Room - 7:30 GATE - KYA	6

GRAYSON COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL 5-YEAR PLAN

Vision: To build successful, productive citizens who have a meaningful impact on their community

Mission: Empower students to reach their full potential by achieving academic excellence and embracing our core values.

1 INSTRUCTION/LEARNING

- Top 20% of KY Middle Schools on state testing
- Aligned learning targets at appropriate rigor, referenced during class
- All students cognitively engaged through use of Thoughtful Classroom tools and concepts
- Implementation of effective co-teaching models



2 COMMUNITY

- Build networks to increase community/school communication
- Students volunteering/active in the community
- Re-establish mentoring program
- Programs coming into the school
- Create a "Day of Service" or similar event/s



3 STUDENT OPPORTUNITY

- Career exploration
- Technical skills/classes offered
- Bringing more opportunities (grants, transcend boundaries, field trips, etc.)
- Increase recognition



4 STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY/COMMITMENT

- Rebuild soft skills like being on time, etiquette
- Focus on attendance
- Emphasize persistence
- Help students find meaningful impact



5 TEACHER FOCUS

- Show consistency
- Choose to be a team (collective efficacy)
- Teach social skills (SEL)
- Implement PBIS (behavior system) with fidelity



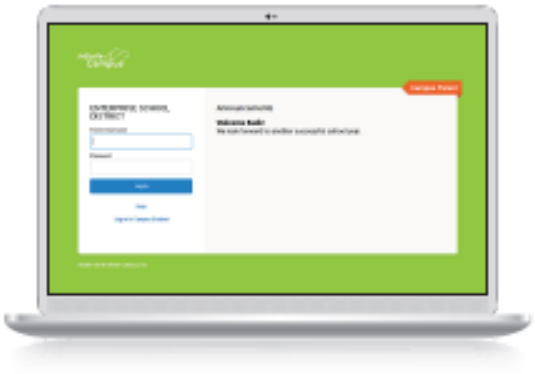
6 PARENT INVOLVEMENT

- Offer events for parents beyond P/T conferences
- Incentivize parent visits
- Encourage parent volunteers



Parents & Students,

information is at your fingertips.



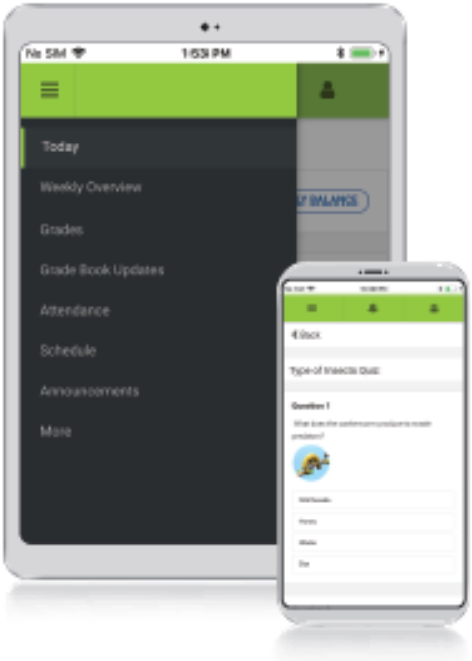
Access on the Web

Campus Student and Campus Parent

Campus Student and Campus Parent are designed to provide real-time access to student information. The easy-to-use design displays what is currently happening in the classroom so you can understand, monitor, and participate in the educational process.

- » Announcements
- » Assignments
- » Attendance
- » Grades
- » Schedules

AND



Download the Mobile App

Campus Student and Campus Parent

Announcements
Quickly see district announcements as they are posted.

Assignments
Browse assignments by specific class or due date.

Attendance
Review attendance events in summary and detail form.

Grades
Immediate access to grades as they are posted.

Schedule
Review schedule from anywhere, at any time.

Infinite Campus Mobile Apps can be downloaded through the Apple App Store or Google Play Store

Available on the App Store

Google play

Need Access?

Go to the GCMS website, and click the "Need Parent Portal Access" button!