

GREEN MOUNTAIN UNION HIGH SCHOOL

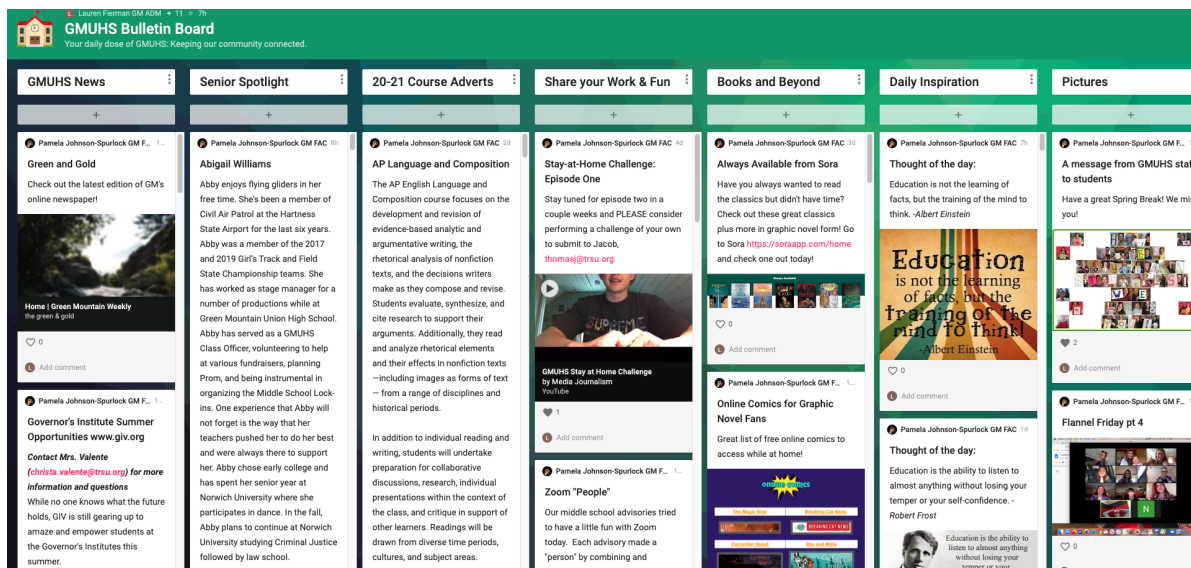
Principal's Report May 2020

Home Learning/Remote Teaching

GMUHS recognizes the heroic efforts of our teachers, staff, and administrators in continuing to provide academic learning and emotional support to our students and families during these unprecedented times. We recognize the extraordinary efforts of our families and students as well. We are all working hard to be generous, flexible, and kind with each other (and with ourselves) as we persevere.

GM Bulletin Board

The GMUHS bulletin board continues to provide a space for teachers and students to share information and inspiration. There are columns with news, descriptions of next year's courses, senior's plans, and various events. The link to the bulletin board is on the GMUHS webpage. It is also here: <https://padlet.com/laurenfierman/ug01rup2ly6y>



Parent Survey

In April, a survey was sent to GM parents to get feedback on the home learning process. The majority of parents/guardians gave either neutral or positive responses to all questions. Comments for all questions ranged from “everything is wonderful” to “everything is terrible” -- and everything in between.

Overall, there was support for maintaining the structure we started with. The summary of the results was shared with staff and with parents through the GM Weekly Reminder.

You can see a summary of the results here: [Summary of Parent Home Learning Survey](#)

Green and Gold

Even from home, students continue to prepare and publish content in GM's monthly online newspaper with fiction, poetry, art, and articles on current events. Read what is on the minds of GMUHS students during these extraordinary times here: [Green and Gold](#)

Graduation

The senior class has continued discussions on possibilities for the graduation ceremony. We are confident we can have a meaningful celebration while still maintaining social distancing and safety recommendations. The ceremony will not look like the gatherings of previous years, but we hope to be able to find a way to have students walk across the stage in front of their parents and family members. Everyone at GM remains committed to having whatever form of celebration possible that will meet the needs and wants of our seniors within the current constraints. We should have final plans in place within the next two weeks.

Award Ceremonies

End of the year award ceremonies (other than graduation) will be conducted online. Students and families will receive notification of applicable dates (and zoom links).

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION:

Home Learning

Class meeting schedules are available on the GMUHS website.

The family companion guide to the Continuity of Learning Plan will be available soon.

At Green Mountain, Monday through Thursday, we are following a schedule of online meetings that allow students to see their middle school teachers every day and their high school teachers on their regular A and B day rotation. On Fridays, students meet in their advisory groups, see teachers for support where needed, and meet with their grade levels and/or clubs.

REVISED GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR GMUHS

During this time of emergency remote teaching, Green Mountain Union High School recognizes the need to adjust expectations for completion of graduation requirements.

Here is the system we will follow:

- All seniors are responsible for completion to proficiency of any graduation requirement that was taught (and summatively assessed) prior to March 13, 2020.
 - Students should be in contact with their teachers and guidance counselors to work out a plan for completion of missing requirements.
- Any graduation requirement that is not taught at all in a class in which a senior is currently enrolled between March 13 and the end of the 2019-2020 school year is waived.
- Seniors should do their best to meet proficiency for any graduation requirement that is first taught or assessed after March 13, 2020.

- Seniors who do not meet proficiency for requirements first taught or assessed after March 13, 2020, will have the requirement waived **IF** they achieve to a level of at least Emerging on the appropriate rubric. In other words, the requirement will be waived as long as the student participates and attempts the material.
 - If a senior receives an NE (no evidence) because no work was even attempted, the requirement will not be waived.

Individual circumstances can be addressed by contacting the Guidance Department.