



# Tuesday Take Home - December 17, 2019

Gordon Russell Middle School Weekly Newsletter

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Tuesday	December 17, 2019	Basketball Photos	4:00 PM
Wednesday	December 18, 2109	7th Varsity Boys Basketball vs. Ron Russell	4:30 PM
Wednesday	December 18, 2109	JV Black Boys Basketball vs. JV Red Boys Basketball	4:30 PM
Wednesday	December 18, 2109	8th Varsity Boys Basketball vs. Ron Russell	5:40 PM
Wednesday	December 18, 2019	PTC Meeting	7:00 PM
Thursday	December 19, 2019	7th & 8th Grade Winter Band Concert @ SBHS	6:00 PM
Thursday	December 19, 2019	Winter Choir Concert @ SBHS	7:30 PM
		Winter Break 12/23/2019 - 1/3/2020	
Tuesday	January 7, 2020	Principal Recognition	3:00 PM
Wednesday	January 8, 2020	JV Red Boys Basketball vs West Orient	4:30 PM
Wednesday	January 8, 2020	JV Black Boys Basketball vs West Orient	5:40 PM
Wednesday	January 8, 2020	7th Varsity Boys Basketball @ Centennial	6:00 PM
Wednesday	January 8, 2020	8th Varsity Boys Basketball @ Centennial	7:10 PM
Thursday	January 9, 2020	Academic Student of the Month	3:00 PM
Thursday	January 9, 2020	7th Varsity Boys Basketball @ Floyd Light	4:30 PM
Thursday	January 9, 2020	JV Red Boys Basketball vs Dexter McCarty	4:30 PM
Thursday	January 9, 2020	JV Black Boys Basketball vs Dexter McCarty	5:40 PM
Thursday	January 9, 2020	8th Varsity Boys Basketball @ Floyd Light	5:40 PM
Thursday	January 9, 2020	Concert Choir Performance at Gresham Barlow District Office	
Monday	January 13, 2020	7th Varsity Boys Basketball @ Clear Creek	4:30 PM
Monday	January 13, 2020	JV Black Boys Basketball vs. Clear Creek	4:30 PM
Monday	January 13, 2020	JV Red Boys Basketball vs. Clear Creek	5:40 PM
Monday	January 13, 2020	8th Varsity Boys Basketball @ Clear Creek	5:40 PM

## BAND CONCERT DECEMBER 19TH AT BARLOW

Our Winter Band Concert will be on Thursday, December 19th, at 6:00 PM in the Sam Barlow High School Auditorium. We hope to see you there!

## CHOIR CONCERT DECEMBER 19TH AT BARLOW

Our Winter Choir Concert will be on Thursday, December 19th, at 7:30 PM in the Sam Barlow High School Auditorium. We hope to see you there!

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS

I would like to wish you all a very happy holiday season and while I look forward to a new year, I'm very thankful for this past one. Thank you to all staff, students and families that make Gordon Russell the place to be. As I have said many times, "It's a great day to be a Gordon Russell Thunderbird." Please be safe and we look forward to seeing all of you in the New Year!

## LOST AND FOUND – COME AND CLAIM ITEMS

We have on display for your inspection our lost and found items. A large collection of clothing is in our commons. We encourage you to come in or have your student take a look for any of their lost items. We will be donating these items to charity over Winter Break.

## AFTER SCHOOL ATHLETIC SPECTATOR EXPECTATIONS

We are pleased with the parent and student support provided at our after-school games. When it comes to maintaining a game environment that is supportive of athletes and comfortable for all spectators, there are a few guidelines that Russell students should keep in mind.

While attending an athletic event, student spectators need to respect the other spectators attending the event. Movement in and out of the gymnasiums

should be restricted to quarter, half, and between game breaks. The doors leading to the hallway are the only doors available for entry and exit. DO NOT use the doors that lead to the football field. These are emergency exits only.

Students attending after school events are expected to be spectators in the stands. Students are not to be roaming around the hallway or areas outside of the gymnasium. These areas, including the covered play area, are off-limits to student activities during our games. Skateboarding and riding bicycles are also prohibited in these areas when after school events are taking place.

Again, we appreciate student spectators at our after-school athletic events. We expect our spectators to behave in a manner respectful of athletes and other spectators. Students and spectators unable to follow our guidelines will be removed from the event and restricted from after-school activities.

### UPDATING CONTACT INFORMATION

Please remember us if you or your family's contact information changes. You can use your ParentVUE account to update all contact information, review grades, assignments and check on attendance. If you have not activated your ParentVUE account, please contact the office to receive an activation code. Thank you for your support!

### YEARBOOKS

Dear Parents, the Yearbook staff would like to inform you about the Gordon Russell Middle School Yearbook of 2019-2020. All books now cost \$20 before spring break. After that date, they will be \$25. Also, on yearbook signing day, there will be a limited supply: first come, first served and ***cash only***. If you are not sure if you have purchased one, a list is posted outside the counseling office. Buying a yearbook will help the school and also be a record of great memories! Come to the main office and make your \$20 yearbook purchase today!

### GRMS SITE COUNCIL PARENT PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

We are looking for parents who are interested in participating in Site Council for the 2019-2020 school year. The school Site Council is a group of teachers, parents, classified employees and students that works with the principal. The Site Council initiated the staff Peer Observation Project and hope to grow with more projects and development. Please call or email Mr. Bonifacio if you are interested.

**7TH & 8TH GRADE GIRLS BASKETBALL IS BACK!**  
TRYOUTS will be Friday, January 27th and January 28th - 4:00-5:30, practices begin Wednesday, January 29th.

We are very excited that this year we will be offering school Basketball here at GRMS! This is a no "cut sport". Students must have all paperwork in before they will be allowed to tryout. If a student misses tryouts they will not be considered for the A Team. Teams will be leveled by ability and grade. Paperwork will be available in the main office. All paperwork must be complete before tryouts.

Participation Fee:

- Fee is \$80 per player (\$40 if player qualifies for reduced lunch & \$20 if player qualifies for free lunch).
- Is charged for any player who participates in any part of the season.
- There are no refunds as GRMS has a "no cut" policy.

### SUN WINTER SESSION INFORMATION

Registration for Winter Session is open now. Activity guides and registration forms can be picked up in the main office or the SUN Office. Registration forms will be accepted until classes fill up at which time we will create a waiting list. Wrestling participants require a current doctor's physical and insurance information to be on file before starting. For more information please contact SUN Site Manager, Kennery Barrera at 503-367-3974, or [barrera11@gresham.k12.or.us](mailto:barrera11@gresham.k12.or.us)

Students have the opportunity to receive additional help with their homework Monday through Thursday from 4:00-5:30. We have organized this by grade level so students can have access to teachers who know what is being discussed in class, are familiar with assignments, and know the kids. This is an outstanding way for students to not only get help, but to also be in a positive atmosphere each day after school. The SUN program provides a supper service so kids can eat some food after school and before they attend homework club. We encourage you to talk with your student, or their teacher about this program.

Students are able to ride the bus home after SUN. Buses load at 5:25 pm.