



Out with the Old In with the New

Winter/Christmas break marks the end of the fall semester here at Glacier High School.

No doubt you have noticed the time “crunch” in completing assignments, submitting grades, and planning for next semester.

Here’s a quick refrigerator checklist to help you wrap up the last of the fall semester requirements so you can make a “clean-getaway.”

Have you:

- _____ Turned in Month 5 attendance?
If not, link [here](#).
- _____ Provided work from the final learning period for review and sample collection?
- _____ Reported semester subject grades to your charter teacher?
- _____ Discussed/contracted classes for Spring semester?
- _____ Reviewed progress towards graduation / college admission requirements?

Five New Year’s Resolutions For High Schoolers

(excerpted from Kevin McMullin at “Collegewise”)

1. Be excited about the opportunity to go to college...any college
2. Quit something worth quitting this year
3. Stop getting caught up in high school drama
4. Do more things for yourself that your parents have been doing for you
5. Look for ways to make an impact

Click [here](#) for more details.

GHCS Dates of Interest:

- *KBG Bowling Party 12/11*
- *ASB Xmas Party 12/19*
- *End of Fall Semester 12/20*
- *Winter Break 12/21-1/5*
- *FAFSA Window Opens 1/1*
- *Start of Spring Semester 1/6*
- *EMT Class starts 1/6*
- *MLK Holiday 1/20*



**Junior
College
Dates &
Deadlines**

APPLY/REGISTER/COMPLETE:	
Honors program	12/2
Priority Registrat.	12/15
Online Orientation	2/15
Register-to-Go	3/26

Student Ideas Actually Do Bear Fruit

On December 4th, groups of Kingsburg Leadership class students will be presenting proposals for a class community service project (to be implemented in the second semester).

The presentations will be judged by Andy Souza, Director of the Fresno Food Bank, and Mike Cox, WSCS Director.

The top student idea will become a class project for

the entire class for the remainder of the school year. Kingsburg Leadership students continue to demonstrate that you can be an influence for good in your world. Kudos!

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ASB Christmas Party Slated: Thursday, December 19

Glacier ASB will hold its annual Christmas party at the Oakhurst campus on Thursday, December 19th from 6:30 to 9+ PM.

All Glacier students (ASB class or not) are invited to attend. Student guests (not currently enrolled at Glacier) need to submit a [guest pass application](#) in advance. Xmas goodies are welcome!

Long-standing traditions at this seasonal party include a \$5 gift exchange (optional), and an ugly sweater contest (*definitely* optional).



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Get out that awful sweater once again...

Act Like It

Mountain Home School and Glacier High School families were strongly represented in the Golden Chain's recent production of Tin Pan Alley, a musical look at yesteryear. The November production featured live renditions of early Dixieland, Jazz, and Depression era music, with choreography and dance, as well.

The play's storyline outlines the lack of recognition for femme songwriters throughout the 20's-30's.

For a full write-up of the production, as well as cast listings and interviews, see:

TIN PAN ALLEY

"The Ladies of Tin Pan Alley is a nostalgic celebration of the classic songs of yesteryear"

Jennifer Piccolotti



School or Bowling? You Make the Call...



Kingsburg students, rather than going on "strike," will "split" the school and celebrate the end of the fall semester with a trip to Freeway Lanes in Selma. The date has already been "pinned" down for December 11th from 2 to 4 in the afternoon. All Kingsburg students are invited to take part if they can "spare" the chicken "scratch" \$10 fee, which covers bowling, shoe rental, and pizza. Don't miss this special event, or you'll risk being a real "gutter-ball."



Feeling Fine- Art?

Glacier has recently made several noteworthy additions to its available home-school study curriculums in the fine arts. All three new curriculums are offerings from Oak Meadows products.

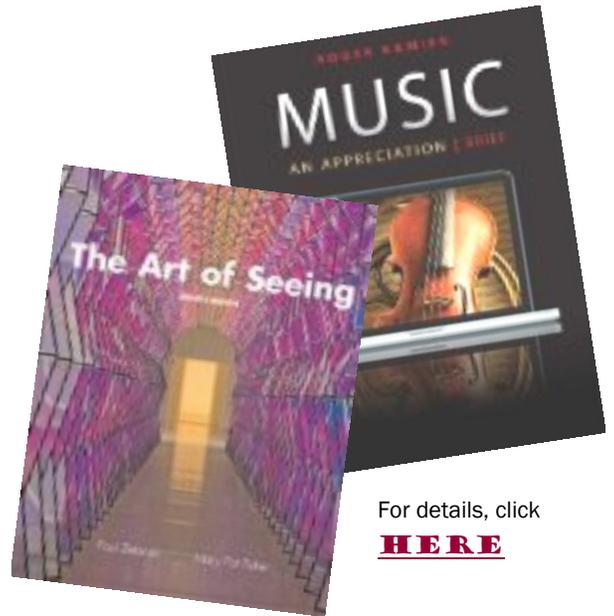
Drawing and Design is an overview of art composition, theory, and history, with exercises in pencil, charcoal, and pastels.

Painting is a guided exercise in acrylics, venturing into portraits, still life, landscapes, and abstract.

The Study of Music is a music appreciation course, including a basic introduction to music theory. The course, however, is

mainly a historical look at the development of European and American music. It comes with a coordinated 5 CD set for listening exercises.

This course would be ideal for the person that isn't particularly gifted in music, but likes listening- and would like to learn more. Skilled musicians would also gain a greater depth of understanding of the historical roots within music.



For details, click [**HERE**](#)

Day Trippers

GHS field trippers (ASB and friends) visited Merced on November 21, taking in the Castle Air Museum and UC Merced.

The Castle Air Museum features over 50 vintage military aircraft on display, and is continuously involved in antique aircraft renovation. The museum is located at the former Castle Air Force Base, which was part of the USAF Strategic Air Command. It was closed in 1995 at the end of the Cold War.



UC Merced, the newest of the University of California campuses (2005), features programs in engineering, natural science, and the humanities, with plans for future programs in medicine and management.



Don't Be Late for this Very Important Date



FAFSA

It's that time of year for seniors to apply for college financial aid through the federal application process (FAFSA). Applications may be submitted beginning January 1, 2014, through early March, but there's a lot of truth in the saying, "the early bird gets the worm." Monies are allo-

cated from the beginning of this time window, so there is less "pool" money available towards the end of it. About 90% of total nationwide college financial aid is based upon FAFSA. Application is easy and may be accessed by clicking here:

[**FAFSA**](#)

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Several current GHSC students are active participants in the music programs at Yosemite High School and/or the Oakhurst Community Band.

Just ask Chris Hawkins, Kayla Hawkins, Cristian Mendoza, or Elaine Wilkinson; all spend a substantial amount of time and travel with practices, rehearsals and performances associated with these groups.

Shown above (L) is Cristian Mendoza at the [Oakhurst Community Band](#) Fall Concert.

"Home of the Gryphons"

Glacier Student "Tops" in State BMX

E.J. Hunt, a student at our Kingsburg satellite campus, is currently ranked

#1

in the state in the Elite division of BMX racing. He'll be competing at the Oklahoma City Grand Nationals December 29-31.

For a look at recent North American rankings, see:

[BMX Rankings](#)

For general information on competitive BMX, and how to get started racing, see:

[BMX Overview](#)

E.J. in action...

