



# WESTERN SIERRA CHARTER SCHOOLS

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*Personalized Learning Public Charter Schools*

Oakhurst Campus

# NEWSLETTER

February 2020



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR IMPORTANT DATES

### FEBRUARY

- Feb. 13** • Furballs & Friends (GHS Leadership Project)
- Feb. 17 - 21** • February Break - School Closed
- Feb. 28** • LCAP Meeting 1 - 1-2pm

### MARCH

- Mar. 10** • WSCS Board Meeting - 2:30pm
- Mar. 20** • LCAP Meeting 2 - 1-3pm
- Mar. 24** • Talent Show

### MAY

- May 1** • S.T.E.A.M. Fair



In the world of technology that follows us everywhere, all day long, parental controls is a topic that can be difficult to keep up with. Do you need parental controls? What are the options? Do they really work? Common Sense Media has information that can guide parents to make informed decisions in what is best for their family. Go to [CommonSenseMedia.org](https://CommonSenseMedia.org) and choose the tab 'Parents Need to Know'.

ATTENDANCE  
FORMS





## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PUBLIC NOTICE

## WSCS BOARD MEETING

March 10th, 2020 at 2:30pm • Oakhurst Campus

The agenda will be posted by the front door; also available @ wscsfamily.org

## FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS

### Furballs and Friend:

#### A GHS Leadership Project

**Thursday, February 13, 2020 • 2:30 a.m.**

**Oakhurst Healthcare and Wellness Center**

Furballs & Friends Another awesome event brought to you by the GHS Leadership Class!

What is Furballs and Friends you might ask? Furballs and Friends is when we bring our tame pets to the Oakhurst Healthcare and Wellness Center to brighten up the residents' day.

**When:** February 13th both 2:30

**Where:** *Oakhurst Healthcare and Wellness Center*

40131 CA-49, Oakhurst, CA 93644

Sign-up sheet at school. Contact GHS Student, Courtney Curry with questions at [curry167585@wscsfamily.org](mailto:curry167585@wscsfamily.org)



### Talent Show

**March 24, 2020**

**5:30 p.m.**

**Yosemite High School Theater**

#### Talent Show

Whether you are a budding new talent or a seasoned performer, it is your time to shine!

Yosemite High School Theater - March 24, 2020 at 5:30

- Open to all K-12 students. Each act is limited to 2 minutes each

Deadline to sign up is: Friday, March 6, 2020

Please contact Joyce Vind if you have any questions at 642-1422, ext 109



## EVENTS



SCIENCE • TECHNOLOGY • ENGINEERING + ARTS • MATHEMATICS

### **S.T.E.A.M. Fair 2020**

**May 1, 2020**

**12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.**

NEW DATE and TIME!

S.T.E.A.M. Fair 2020

May 1, 2020 12-2 pm

All grades K-12 are invited to participate!

Informational Packets are available on the sign up board

Any questions contact Joyce Vind 642-1422 ext 109

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If our campus needs to be on a 2 hour delay schedule and it is your student's onsite class day, we now have a 2 Hour Delay Schedule that has been posted on the MHS and GHS website under Oakhurst Schedules. Most classes will be held, but instead of 1.5 hour classes, they will be 1 hour long. ***Please refer to these schedules.*** When a delay occurs, we will send out a Parent Square message!

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# MOUNTAIN HOME SCHOOL NEWS



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR IMPORTANT DATES

### FEBRUARY

- Feb. 4** • 8th gr Parent & Student Info Meeting about Glacier High Enrollment 8:30 - 9:00 a.m.
- Feb. 28** • Spelling Bee 10:00-12:00 (please arrive 15 minutes early). The bee will start promptly at 10:00, latecomers will not be allowed to participate.

### MARCH

- Mar. 2** • Read Across America
- Mar. 12 or 13** • Peach Blossom Festival
- Mar. 24** • Talent Show

### APRIL

- April 16** • Field Trip to Theatre for Young Audiences: *The Bremen Town Musicians* at FSU



## ATTENTION 8TH GRADE STUDENTS & PARENTS!

High School is just around the corner & Glacier High School may be the perfect fit!

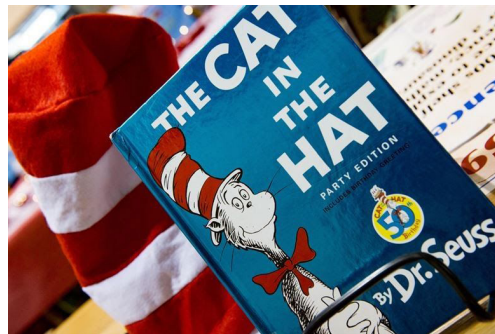
Please join Greg Hill & Mindy Klang to hear what Glacier is all about!

**When:** Tuesday, February 4

**Time:** 8:30-9:00am

(we will extend the time to answer any & all questions)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### READ ACROSS AMERICA 2020

SAVE THE DATE:  
Mountain Home School  
is excited to host author &  
illustrator, Steve Riley for a

presentation on Monday, March 2nd.

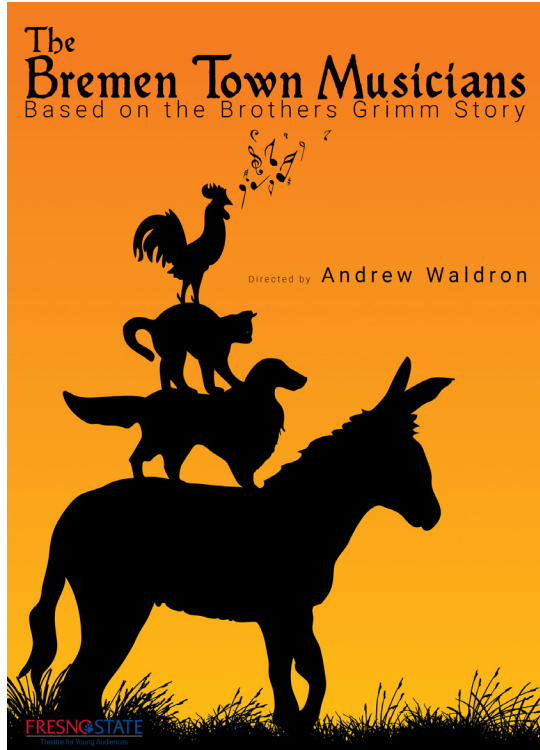
**Time:** 10:00-11:00am

*More information to come!!*





## FIELD TRIPS & EVENTS



### **The Bremen Town Musicians Field Trip April 16th, 2020 11:30 a.m.**

Field Trip to Theatre for Young Audiences performance of The Bremen Town Musicians at Fresno State April 16th @ 11:30 am Students \$3 Adults \$5

*About the play:* This is a wonderful adaptation of the Brothers Grimm story, The Bremen Town Musicians. A donkey, cat, dog, and rooster are kicked out of their home by a crotchety old woman and work together to form a band and tangle with an unwitting group of burglars along the way. With a delightful mix of comedy, singing, live music, and puppetry, Fresno State students will creatively and collaboratively share the classic story with young people across the Central Valley. This performance is geared toward a K-4 audience. Sign up with Denise or Cheryl at the front desk. Seating is limited. Questions? See Mrs. Davis



### **Spelling Bee Friday, February 28, 2020**

The Spelling Bee will be held on Friday, February 28th. Sign-up on the board and get your word lists from Mrs. Hill to start studying!

*Wordlists will be distributed to school mailboxes periodically as names are added to the master list.*



# GLACIER HIGH SCHOOL NEWS



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR IMPORTANT DATES

### FEBRUARY

- Feb. 1**
- Yosemite Valley Hike & Smores! 1:00 p.m. See ParentSquare post for details
  - ACADEC competition @ Madera South HS/ Super Quiz 3:00 p.m./ Awards 4:30 p.m.
- Feb. 3**
- Early Bird Ticket Sales begin for Prom - Cost will be around \$50 per ticket
- Feb. 12**
- Poetry Out Loud County Competition

### MARCH

- Mar. 14**
- SAVE THE DATE FOR PROM: Enchanted Forest! GHS proms are open to ALL high school students & Guest Passes are available on the school website
- Mar. 24**
- Talent Show

### MAY

- May 1**
- S.T.E.A.M. FAIR

Make your way to the  
*Enchanted Forest*

**2020 GHS PROM**  
6-10 PM Saturday, March 14  
Yosemite Lakes Park Clubhouse - Coarsegold

- ◆ Ticket sales begin early February & will cost approximately \$50 each
- ◆ When tickets are purchased, you will choose an entree:
  - Grilled Chicken With Mango Salsa, Flat Iron Steak with Herb Butter, or Vegetarian
- ◆ Contact [kfriesen@wscsfamily.org](mailto:kfriesen@wscsfamily.org) for more information

# Thank you!

The Bake Sale that the Oakhurst Leadership class held at school and then Vons on January 17 was a HUGE success! If you bought baked goods, THANK YOU! If you baked items for the sale or volunteered during it, THANK YOU!

Enormous and ongoing THANK YOUS go out to Kristy Muraszewski for organizing the entire endeavor while I was out of town.

*- Kaylene Friesen*





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### STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

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#### *The Ace Of Aces: The Red Baron*

*By Kyle Stevens*

Manfred von Richthofen, better known as the Red Baron, was a famous and respected fighter pilot of WW1. Manfred was once a cavalryman before he joined the Air Service and became one of the first members of a fighter squadron in 1915. During 1917 he led a special squadron known as The Flying Circus. It is named that because

of the bright red paint job on their planes, but also they move from place to place setting up tents near airfields. In late 1917 Manfred received the "Blue Max", Prussia's highest military honor. Manfred was buried by Australian officers with full military honors.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### Academic Decathlon

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*It's Crunch Time  
Acadec Competition Underway!*

It's time for all that study to pay off- Glacier's Academic Decathlon 10-member-team will "represent" at the County level competition on Saturday, February 1 @ Madera South HS (705 W. Pecan). Guests are encouraged to attend the 3 PM Super Quiz (Jeopardy-like format) and 4 PM awards ceremony in the gymnasium. Let's bring home some serious metal this year!







## COUNSELOR'S CORNER

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with  
Greg Hill

### Important dates/deadlines:

#### Local Community College Applications

Seniors interested in attending one of our local community colleges should apply with priority registration through the "Registration To Go" Program: SCCC (Fresno City, Oakhurst Center, Madera Center, Clovis Community, Reedley College)

#### Local Community College "Registration To Go" Steps

1. Application: Do ASAP
2. Online Orientation: December
3. Counseling / Advising with Student Educational Plan: March
4. Registration for classes: April if above steps are completed

#### FAFSA AND MONEY MATTERS

All seniors planning on attending any college or a career technical school:

FAFSA application opens October 1st. [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)  
Apply ASAP!

**Seniors: COMMUNITY AWARDS APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE** Go to <http://www.glacierhighcharter.org>, then resources/college/career/community awards to access the list, application, and steps. There is also hard copies of everything as well available in the student area. See Mr. Hill for more details. I encourage all seniors to apply. *Deadline for most awards is March 24, 2020.* See cover sheets for exact due dates.





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