

Granby High School Announcements April 23-27, 2018

Our mission is to "Raise the Bar" so that ALL students will be well prepared for college and the world of work. This will be accomplished through rigor, relevance and relationships between all Granby stakeholders.



**Have no doubt.
Figure it out!**

GRANBY HIGH'S SCHOOLWIDE INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS

By the end of the 2018 school year, 100% of students will show at least 10% growth in critical thinking skills as measured by results on performance based tasks, unit tests, SOL tests, industry certifications, AP tests, and IB tests.

Our Instructional Focus Statement

At Granby High School, we will improve students' critical thinking skills through use of Kagan strategies with JIGSAW as a high yield strategy.

Displaying Student Work and Posting Our Data

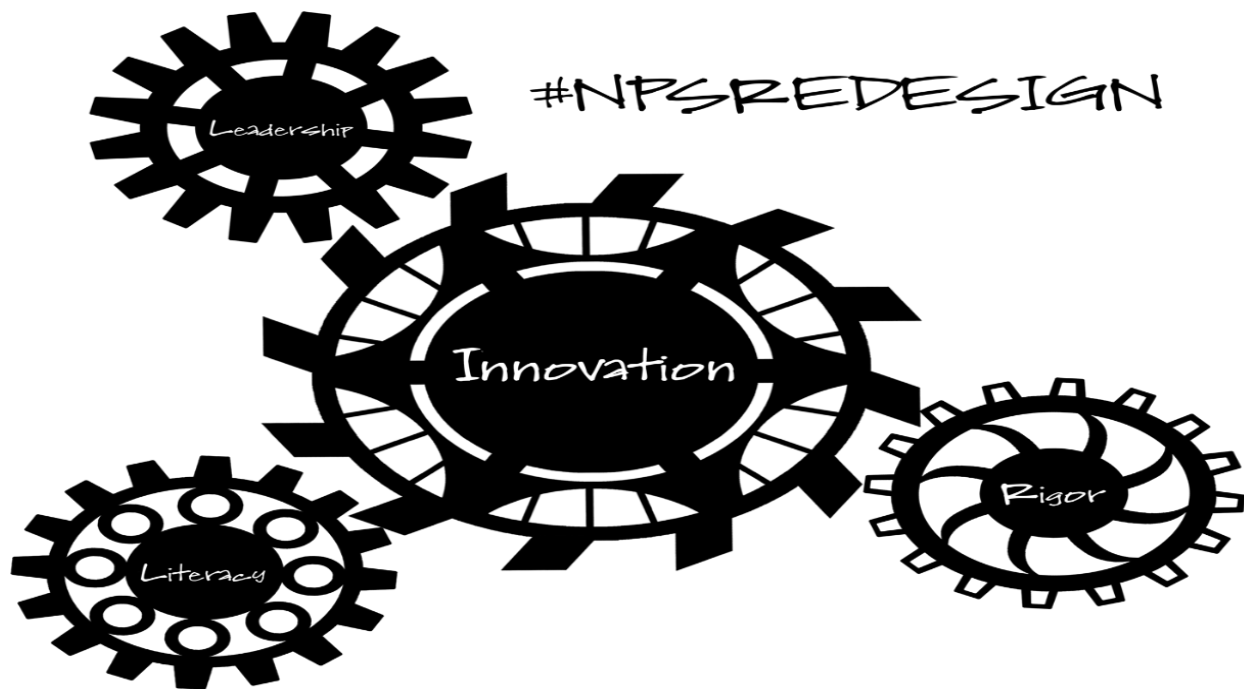
Students should see exemplary student work as well as data posted in classes and on the halls throughout the building. The purpose of posting student work and data is to help us all understand where we are and what we need to do to reach our academic and attendance goals.

Kagan Strategies and JIGSAW Implementation with Fidelity

Students should participate in Kagan strategies in each class on a daily basis. Students should complete JIGSAW strategies in each class for each unit of study!

Reading and Writing to Improve Literacy

Every student should engage in focused and/or sustained silent reading activities on a daily basis in every class. Every ninth and tenth grader should be using a writing structure to develop persuasive writing responses in English and Health classes at least 4 times each quarter.



Theory of Action

Norfolk Public Schools students will develop their individual potential, maximize skills for lifelong learning, and successfully contribute to a global society. All personnel will intentionally facilitate an environment that supports exemplary and innovative teaching and learning opportunities in every school, in every classroom, every day, for every student – no exception.

Leadership

Leadership facilitates and maximizes the efforts of all personnel to effectively promote and support teaching and learning.

Literacy

Literacy is reading, writing, listening, speaking, and thinking critically.

Rigor

Rigorous teaching and learning opportunities are academically, intellectually, and personally challenging.

Innovation

Innovation promotes the implementation of emerging and transformational ideas and actions to support teaching and learning.

Granby High School's
GOAT Award Honoree

Mary Hightower

Mary Hightower is a remarkable teacher and colleague. She ensures that students are exposed to the rich culture of the arts through various avenues. Ms. Hightower has a great sharing personality and goes beyond the call of duty of helping her colleagues.

Thanks, for all you do! You are our GREATEST OF ALL TIME THIS WEEK!

ATTENTION PARENTS

Full Year Courses Beginning 2018-19 School Year

When school starts in September 2018, all courses on the secondary level in Norfolk Public Schools will be full year courses. Currently, students earn semester credits. At the end of this school year, students need to make sure they have passed both semesters of all courses or plan to attend summer school to recover any half credits that they failed to earn this school year or in the past. Please check your child's academic progress and contact your child's school counselor if you have questions.

Attendance – Are You In Danger of Being Truant?

Please be sure students are in school and in class every day. Please send notes to have absences excused if your student has been absent from school. Have students submit their notes to Academy A or Academy B. Students who have missed 5 unexcused days must have an attendance plan. Students who have missed 7 or more unexcused days will be referred to truancy court.

Please Check Grades – Interim Progress Reports Distributed April 25th

If you need meet with teachers, please call Academy A or B to schedule an appointment. Let's make sure our students are working hard and earning good grades.

Reminders about the Dress Code and Cell Phones

Please be mindful that we must continue to follow the dress code and cell phone policies. Everyone is required to follow school rules. Please remember to always be respectful, responsible, reliable, and safe. We want to always do things the **COMET WAY!**

SENIOR Class Meeting May 1

The senior class meeting will be held in the Auditorium on May 1st at 7:30 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. Students who are scheduled for NTC on May 1 will be transported to NTC after the senior meeting.

Seniors – GRADPOINT

Seniors working on GradPoint classes are reminded that all classes need to be completed by May 15, 2018. If you have any questions or concerns, please see Mrs. Singleton.

Senior News for Class of 2018

Senior news is posted on the school's website. Letters have been mailed to parents. Please be sure to stay abreast of news and deadlines.

Scholarship News

Attention Seniors, would you like to WIN \$500 Cash? Remember, for every Scholarship or Financial Aid Award Letter you bring in you will get entered into a drawing to win \$500 and receive a Blow Pop! Even if you do not plan to attend the college, we want to know about the award offered. Emailing letters or even screen shots of letters will work! Turn them in to Mr. Bunting, ACCESSS, or your Counselor.

National Chemistry Olympiad

Please congratulate Shannon Jackson and Jumi Hall. These two young ladies (along with 15 other students from Chemistry and AP chemistry classes in Granby HS) participated in the local phase of the National Chemistry Olympiad on March 15th and qualified for the National Competition this upcoming Friday, 4/20. The national competition is organized by Norfolk State University

Art Fees –

All NPS students enrolled in an art class are required to pay an art materials fee. The fee is \$30.00 (all photography classes are \$60.00). Please pay any outstanding balances right away.

Global Initiative at GHS

Granby Global Initiative is raising money to purchase LuminAID solar lanterns to be donated to families and communities in Puerto Pico that are still without power following last year's hurricane season. Please make a donation during any lunch in the Commons starting next Monday, April 23rd, until Friday, May 4th. An interest meeting will be held on the 23rd as well, in 29C. We hope to see you there!

Tidewater Community College Open House

Mr. Burnett is organizing a trip to TCC for an Open House on May 10, 2018. Please see Mr. Burnett if you are interested.

CPR Certification

Students graduating in 2021 that have not been CPR certified need to contact Ms. Baylor by e-mail at kbaylor@nps.k12.va.us to arrange for a testing date and time.

IB Announcement

Parents should look for letters, exam schedule, and instructions to come home with their child. Letters allowing students to leave early or arrive late on the days of their IB exams may be signed by parents and returned to Mrs. Gardner by April 27th. IB examinations begin May 2nd and end May 18th.

National Art Honor Society

Seniors who are in the NAHS need to turn in their \$10 fee for their graduation cords by Friday April 27. Senior members that do not meet this deadline will not receive their NAHS cord in time for graduation.

Students that are interested in becoming a member in the NAHS for the 2018-19 school year need to submit their membership applications by Friday April 27. Late applications will not be accepted. New members will be notified during the first week in May.

Current and newly accepted members are required to attend the NAHS reception at Lake Taylor High School on Thursday, May 10 from 6-7:30 pm. Awards will be given to current members and newly accepted members will be inducted for the 2018-19 school year.

Free Breakfast – Grab and GO!

The cafeteria will be providing free breakfast for every student from March 5 through the end of the year.

ACCESS News

Seniors, have you been accepted into at least one college? If you answered yes, then ACCESS wants to celebrate you, with ACCESS College Commitment Day on April 24th at the Ted Constant Center! Please see Mrs. U in 09B for more information, and to pick up a permission slip!

SCA Fund Raiser

SCA still has short sleeve t-shirts, long sleeve t-shirts, and hoodies for sale in 17B. Prices are \$10, \$15, and \$25 respectively. See Mrs. Brunner to purchase one.

Yearbook Sales

Yearbooks are on sale through the main office or in 19B for \$50. Delivery will be after May 28th.

Ring Dance April 28

Attention juniors: tickets for the ring dance are on sale. The cost is \$30 for juniors and \$40 for guests. See Ms. Wallace in 30B for your tickets.

Dates to Remember in April

April

21	Girls In Engineering MATE ROV Mid-Atlantic Regional Competition
24	IB PD Meeting
26	Schoolwide ILT Meeting with Parents and Students
26-29	International Tattoo

Save the Dates – SOL Preparation Saturday Reviews – See teachers for more information.

April 28: English May 12: English and Math May 19: Science

Golf Fall 2018

Any student interested in playing golf in the fall 2018 please see Coach Maynard so he can give you information about the upcoming season!

Archery

The Physical Education department completed our First NASP Archery Unit. With great discipline, concentration and acquired skills, 149 ninth and tenth grade students made tremendous progress. The course was so enjoyable some want to start an archery club in the spring of 2019. Congratulations Archers!



ATHLETICS

Monday, April 23, 2018

Time	Event	Details
5:00pm	Baseball: JV Game	vs. Currituck County @ Granby High School
5:00pm	Soccer: Boys Varsity Game	vs. Floyd E. Kellam @ Powhatan Stadium
6:00pm	Baseball: Varsity Game	vs. Currituck County @ Currituck High School

Tuesday, April 24, 2018

Time	Event	Details
3:30pm	Outdoor Track: Girls/Boys Varsity Meet	vs. B. T. Washington, Churchland, I. C. Norcom, Lake Taylor, Maury, Norview, Woodrow Wilson @ Norview High School
4:00pm	Baseball: JV Game	vs. Norview @ Norview High School
4:00pm	Baseball: Varsity Game	vs. Norview @ Granby High School
4:00pm	Softball: JV Game	vs. Norview @ Norview High School
4:00pm	Softball: Varsity Game	vs. Norview @ Granby High School

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

Time	Event	Details
3:30pm	Tennis: Girls Varsity Match	vs. Churchland @ Churchland High School
3:30pm	Tennis: Boys Varsity Match	vs. Churchland @ Granby High School
4:00pm	Soccer: Girls Varsity Match	vs. Lake Taylor @ Granby -Powhatan Stadium
6:00pm	Soccer: Boys Varsity Match	vs. Lake Taylor @ Granby -Powhatan Stadium

Thursday, April 26, 2018

Friday, April 27, 2018

Time	Event	Details
4:00pm	Baseball: JV Game	vs. Woodrow Wilson @ Woodrow Wilson High School
4:00pm	Baseball: Varsity Game	vs. Woodrow Wilson @ Granby High School
4:00pm	Softball: JV Game	vs. Woodrow Wilson @ Woodrow Wilson High School
4:00pm	Softball: Varsity Game	vs. Woodrow Wilson @ Granby High School