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Good afternoon,

We are now one month into 2021, and time has flown by. This week we began our 4<sup>th</sup> Marking Period, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders began a new class, and a new special along with it, while 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades began a new special.

We are continuing to focus on Connection for attendance this year. If your child is sick, please do not send them to school. If your child feels well enough, they can e-mail their teacher and check-in with them to count towards their Connection that day.

We continue to focus on one Character Trait a month to continue to maintain the positive culture of our school. In February, our focus will be on Kindness.

School Picture Retakes will be rescheduled, they will be held on February 24<sup>th</sup>.

If the district has a positive COVID case in the classroom, that classroom will be remote. If that happens to your child's classroom, you will receive a call from school personnel with instructions from the teacher, a return date, and pertinent information about meals and internet.

REACH is continuing to run. You can reach out to Nick Soprano at <a href="mailto:nsoprano@gstboces.org">nsoprano@gstboces.org</a> to sign your child up. REACH starts at 1 pm and goes until 5:30 pm Monday through Friday.

Modified Sports began this week. Modified Wrestling is practicing from 3:15-5 at the Chemung School. Girls Modified Basketball practice began Thursday, February 4, 2021, and practice will run from 2:40-4:00 daily in the Middle School Gymnasium. Modified Boys Basketball and Modified Girls Volleyball will run in the Winter 2 Season in March. The Athletic Department can be reached by contacting Richard McIntosh at <a href="mailto:rmcintosh@gstboces.org">rmcintosh@gstboces.org</a> or calling 607-565-8114 for any questions.

E-sports, the school's gaming team, has begun. Please reach out to Mr. Frank Brown at <a href="mailto:fbrown@gstboces.org">fbrown@gstboces.org</a> for more information and sign up.

Waverly Middle School is doing a Gertrude Hawk Fundraiser for the Wolverine Council, our Student Leadership Group. Students should have brought home orders this week, they are due on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. The orders placed have an anticipated delivery of the week of March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Any questions should be directed to Daniele Edwards at <a href="dedwards@gstboces.org">dedwards@gstboces.org</a>.

Attached is the GST BOCES Digital Citizenship Newsletter from February. This is a great resource released each month which talks about different web resources and tips for staying safe online.

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There is also a Waverly Middle School Counseling Web Page with information on Social-Emotional Learning Programming, Career Development, Academics, and more. Please take some time to check it out. <a href="http://v2.toolboxpro.org/classrooms/template.cfm?ID=6733&P=0">http://v2.toolboxpro.org/classrooms/template.cfm?ID=6733&P=0</a>

This school has been flying by, and we cannot wait to see what the second half of the year brings.

Waverly Middle School Guidance Department