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Good afternoon,

Happy New Year, we hope you had a great Winter Break. We have officially made in through one third of the school year. The 3rd Marking Period finishes on January 29th for 7/8, their School Tool accounts have their schedules and which class they will be taking next.

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 January, we will be focusing on Perseverance.

Students will be taking NWEAs again the week of January 11th. These are benchmarking tests that we use to measure student's growth throughout the year. All WAVE students will be able to schedule with their teachers for Math on Friday, January 15th and Reading on Friday, January 22nd. There will be an AM and a PM time slot available. WAVE Parents should reach out to their child's teacher directly to schedule this. We look forward to seeing how much our students have grown since the beginning of the year.

The Middle School will be holding a Coat Drive. There will be a collection box in the Middle School Main Office. There will be more information about this initiative shortly.

School will not be in session on January 18th for Martin Luther King Jr Day.

School Picture Retakes will be rescheduled, that date is still to be decided.

Attached, there is a Family Resource Calendar from Cornell Cooperative Extension through Tioga County, as well as a workshop flyer for Virtual Nutrition Classes

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 running again. You can reach out to Nick Soprano at nsoprano@gstboces.org to sign your child up. REACH starts at 1 pm and goes until 5:30 pm Monday through Friday.

A few 7-12 after school sports practices have begun: Swimming, Indoor Track and Field and Bowling are having practices. Modified Boys Swimming takes place from 2:30-4:30 starting January 4th. Basketball, Wrestling, Cheer, and Volleyball Coaches will hold practice sessions at their discretion. The Athletic Department can be reached by contacting Richard McIntosh at rmcintosh@gstboces.org or calling 607-565-8114 for any questions.

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E-sports, the school's gaming team, has begun. Please reach out to Mr. Frank Brown at fbrown@gstboces.org for more information and sign up.

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

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. http://v2.toolboxpro.org/classrooms/template.cfm?ID=6733&P=0

We look forward to seeing the growth our students have made, and for what the New Year will bring us.

Waverly Middle School Guidance Department