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Good afternoon,

Welcome to October! We have had a great first month of school; it has been so nice having kids back in our building.

Our first Marking Period for 7th and 8th grade students finishes on October 16th, the 19th will start our second Marking Period. This means that their main class and special will change. Below is the cycle of classes they will be following. For example, if your student is currently in 8th grade in Socials Studies and PE, their next class will be Spanish and General Music. 5th and 6th grade students will be changing only their Special, so we encourage you to ask your student about their new class.

7th grade

Math and PE

Science and Art

Social Studies and PE

Technology and General Music

ELA and PE

Health/21st Century Skills

8th grade

Math and PE

Science and Art

Social Studies and PE

Spanish and General Music

ELA and PE

Health/21st Century Skills

Marking Period 2 also allows 7th and 8th graders the opportunity to change from WAVE to In-Person or In-Person to WAVE. You can e-mail Ms. Belile at ebelile@gstboces.org or call the Middle School at 607-565-3410 to arrange this change.

As we did last year, we are focusing on one Character Trait Month to continue to maintain the positive culture of our school. In September we focused on Respect, and now in October we will be focusing on Responsibility. Please ask your students about the different activities they are completing to bring awareness to these character traits in their classrooms.

This year for our Attendance, we will be focusing more on Connecting rather than being in person. 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.

School picture day has been cancelled; it will be rescheduled for a later date. We are tentatively planning for November.

This school year, both the Middle School and High School have purchased Choices 360 as a Career Exploration Program. Your student may have received an e-mail that an account has been created for them. We will be pushing into your child's class in October in order to talk to them about the program. Please reach out to Ms. Belile in the Counseling Office if you have any questions.

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

After school sports practices for 7th and 8th grade students have begun as well. This allows students to explore programs and have the opportunity to exercise. The Athletic Department can be reached by e-mailing Richard Macintosh at rmcintosh@gstbooces.org or calling 607-565-8114 for additional information, there is also a flyer attached. At this time, any 5th and 6th Grade Students should reach out to Waverly Recreation to find ways to get their children involved in Sports.

Attached is the GST BOCES Digital Citizenship Newsletters from September and October. There is one released each month which talks about different web resources and how to stay 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 are excited to work with your students in this new learning style, it's going to be a great year.

Waverly Middle School Guidance Department

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