



Greenville 2010 Homecoming Weekend!

Spirit Week: September 27th -October 1st: Daily themes were decided by HS Student Council

Homecoming Pep Rally: Friday, October 1st:

9th Period – Student Assembly in HS Gym, Jazz Band performs, Staff vs. Staff athletic contest, presentation of fall athletic teams

2:45–7:00 pm: Pep Rally Activities after school begin outside

- High School Yearbook
- High School Student Council – Pie in the Face Contest Fundraiser
- FFA Food booth
- PTSA/PTA school support/membership booth
- Battle of the Bands – Outside Stage
- Bonfire at dusk – 6:00 PM approximate start time
- Volleyball Net Set Up, Sporting equipment available for student use

7:00 pm: Evening Homecoming activities

- 6:00 – 8:00 pm – Elementary School Activity Night
- 7:00 – 9:30 pm – HS Student Council dance for HS students in MS Gymnasium
- 7:00 – 9:00 pm – HS Student Council dance for MS students in MS Cafeteria

Saturday: October 2, 2010

7:30 am -10:30 am: Homecoming Breakfast: *All You Can Eat Buffet*

- Visit with Friends & Family at the Scott M. Ellis Café
- Adults \$9.00, Children 10 and under \$5.00
- Reservations accepted until 9/30/2010: Contact Karen Overbaugh, 966-5070 ext. 301
Overbaughk@greenville.k12.ny.us
All Proceeds Benefit the Greenville Educational Foundation

9:00 am:

- Superintendent’s Community Forum ~ Beth Bourassa “Current and Legal Issues in Education”
- Campus tours available

8:00 pm: Our Tri-Music Honor Society in conjunction with the Greenville Education Foundation will be sponsoring a Beatles Tribute Band in the High School Auditorium. Check out their website: www.mysterytourband.com Tickets are on sale by contacting Mike Benedict, extension 439.

Spartan Athletic Homecoming schedule:

Friday, October 1st: 4:00 pm **Saturday, October 2nd: 10:00 am**
Girls V/JV Soccer vs. Taconic Hills **Girls JV/V Volleyball vs. Hudson**



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**Community Homecoming Activities
October 2, 2010**



9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Nutmeg Soaring Glider Demonstration
Greene County Sheriff
Fire and Rescue Squads
(Greenville Library Lawn)
Arts and Crafts and Farmers Market
(Cultural Arts Center Lawn)

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Antique Appraisal
(\$6.00 per item to benefit Greenville Volunteer
Firemen)
(Greenville Fire House)



10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Used Book Sale and Art Exhibit and Sale
(Friends of Greenville Library)

11:00 am

Dedication for Coach James MacTavish
(North side of Scott M. Ellis just beyond the parking lot)

12:00 – 1:00 pm

“A Taste of Greenville”
(Food tent in Veteran’s Park)

7:15 pm

“Fireworks at Vanderbilt Park”

**International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme at
Greenville High School**

September 2010 brought the beginning of the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme to Greenville High School. There are 45 students enrolled in the Diploma or Certificate Programmes. Full IB Diploma students must take a course in each of the six content areas: English, Language Other Than English, History, Science, Mathematics and the Arts, as well as three core elements: a Theory of Knowledge course (a critical thinking course), completing CAS hours (Creativity, Action, Service) and writing an Extended Essay in a topic area of their choice. IB Certificate students select their individual IB courses and are not required to complete core elements.

IB courses are either HL (higher level) or SL (standard level) courses; all IB courses are offered over a two-year period. Full Diploma students must complete at least three HL courses. This year’s IB course offerings are: English HL, Spanish SL, Latin SL, History of the Americas HL, Biology HL, Environmental Systems and Societies SL, Mathematics SL, Mathematical Studies SL, Theatre HL, and Music SL and Theory of Knowledge.

We are very excited to offer this opportunity to our students and look forward to a successful first year!



Annual Tour of Facilities

The Greenville Board of Education held its annual Tour of Facilities on Monday, September 20th at 6:00 pm. The annual tour included visits to Scott M. Ellis Elementary, the Middle and High Schools.

The tour began at Scott M. Ellis. The cafeteria floor replacement project will be scheduled for either a vacation period or during the summer of 2011 contingent upon the date of NYSED project approval. The Elementary Library/Media Center technology improvements include netbooks, Promethean technology and computers. Mr. Mahan, Principal of Scott M. Ellis, discussed how students and faculty are utilizing this new technology throughout the school day. Additional work at Ellis included refinishing several classroom wood floors and the auditorium/gymnasium. A new water line was installed during the summer and the oil tank was converted from #4 oil to #2 oil.

Several exterior doors throughout campus are now controlled by a “proximity reader” system. All employees have been assigned a card that can be used to access the selected doors eliminating the need for keys and enhancing school security. At the High School is the addition of the C2 Bio-Technologies Lab, a partnership with Greenville Central School District, Greene County Business Alliance, Questar III, Columbia-Greene Community College, and C2 Bio-Technologies. As an incubator business, C2 Bio-Technologies provides internship experiences for Greenville High School students in a relevant field of science. Additional instructional renovations to the Middle/High Schools also included the gymnasium floor, the Library/Media Center, and the addition of a concrete slab with a floor trench drain in the Greenhouse.

The District Pupil Personnel Services Office has moved to the High School. The Telephone/Data Project was also completed during the summer as a Capital Project from 2008-2009 and 2009-2010. Every classroom and office now have access to a telephone increasing communication with district families.



Athletics at GCS

The Fall 2010 athletics season is in full swing. Greenville has thirteen Fall interscholastic teams competing in the Patroon Conference at the Modified, JV and Varsity levels competing in Cross Country, Golf, Soccer, and Volleyball. Senior volleyball player Kacee Womack was one of ten players names to the all-tournament team in the “Hats Off Volleyball 2010 Tournament” in Saratoga Springs on September 11th. A total of 118 students from ten schools competed in this tournament. Good luck to all of our student athletes!





GCS Elementary School Open House

Elementary School families were welcomed to the new school year at Scott M. Ellis on September 15th, 16th and 22nd. The events began with a general presentation by Principal Peter Mahan. Mr. Mahan discussed the Elementary Goals for 2010-2011 which include increasing student achievement, strengthening a culture of respect, and an emphasis on lifelong learning. New technologies at Ellis, the implementation of the Common Core and the changes in the New York State Assessment were also reviewed. After the general presentation parents visited their child's classroom where teachers shared materials and presented general information about their programs. Parents and teachers were enthusiastic about the upcoming school year and the goals of our school community.

GCS Middle School Open House

The annual Middle School Open House was held on September 22nd. A staggered schedule allowed families to visit teachers from all grade-levels. Special Area teachers met with families in the Middle School Cafeteria while Content Area teachers met with families in larger group settings to allow for a general presentation of expectations and information. Families received a variety of materials from all teachers regarding course assignments, homework expectations and contact information. This yearly Open House marks the first of many opportunities for families to connect with our school community.



GCS High School Open House

On Thursday September 23rd High School Principal, Michael Laster, welcomed families followed by teachers sharing their programs in the High School Cafeteria. Families were able to meet several teachers, guidance counselors, the school psychologists and school nurse. Teachers discussed their classroom expectations, resources and curriculum with families during this well-attended event. This annual Open House allows teachers and families to begin developing relationships and opens the lines of communication for our High School Students.

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Superintendent ~ Parent & Community Forums

Superintendent Dudley meets with GCS parents and community members to hear views about and suggestions for our schools. In addition for this year several special presentations have been scheduled for parents and community members on topics relevant to the District and our students. These are scheduled for Saturday mornings on the dates listed below from 9:00 am to 11:00 am and will be held at Ellis Elementary School.

**October 2 Beth Bourassa, Partner
Whiteman Osterman & Hanna LLP
Current and Legal Issues in Education**

Ms. Bourassa will present information on current legal issues in public school education and provide a general Q & A opportunity relative to the topics presented. She is a partner at Whiteman Osterman & Hanna, where she has practiced since 1990. She represents public and private sector management in broad areas of employment law, with a particular focus on the defense of federal court employment discrimination actions. She also advises public school district clients of the firm on a wide range of education law issues, including special education.

Beatlemania comes to Greenville



the mystery tour
a Beatles Tribute Band

Greenville High School
Route 81, Greenville, NY

8 p.m. Saturday, October 2, 2010
Tickets \$15.00

Proceeds benefit Greenville Educational Foundation and Greenville Tri-M
Music Honor Society