

December's Guiding Principle is..."Kindness"



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From the Principal's Desk...

Dear Genet Families!

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Happy Friday! Another week is in the books at Genet as we edge closer to the Holiday Break. There is still so much for us to do at Genet and some fun activities that we have planned for our students, that this will be an exciting month for all. I have a few updates for the week and things to look forward to next week to share:

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SAFETY DRILLS

I am so proud of our students and staff for a tremendous job on our recent lockdown drills. I want to thank the Genet Safety Team and our local law enforcement agencies (East Greenbush and North Greenbush Police, Ren. County Sheriff and the NYS Troopers) for their assistance in two successful drills. We have more drills to practice this Winter and others that Genet will continue to practice in the Spring.

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ATTENTION 4th and 5th Grade Families

I am happy to share with you that there will be a change to the EGCS D Plan that the Music Department has developed for the future of Elementary Chorus. All changes are made in coordination with guidelines put in place by the Health Department. I will attach a letter to this week's Genet Journal for you to read regarding the upcoming changes. **Please note that the First Rehearsal for 4th and 5th graders will be on Friday, December 18th.** If there are any questions, please reach out to Mrs. Scolaro.

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SEVERE WEATHER ALERTS and RECESS ATTIRE

As the weather continues to change, I want to remind parents that if you have not opted in to the district's text notification system in the event of severe weather (i.e. Snow Days or Delays), you can by following the directions at the link:

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<https://egcsd.org/departments/safety-health-and-wellness/alert/>

This is different from receiving emails from the district and requires additional authorization from you to join. I put this out to families just as a reminder for the winter season.

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Along with the winter months is the need for appropriate attire for students. Please remember to send your child to school with the necessary clothing for outdoor recess as we try to take students outside as much as possible. Warm jackets, hats, gloves and snow boots/appropriate foot attire is required.

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DAILY COVID-19 SCREENING TOOL

I would like to thank all parents for your diligence in filling out the daily COVID Screening tool. Please remember that when you fill out the form, **you are doing so for your child** and must enter their name when completing the screening tool. This must be filled out online everyday for each of your children. The COVID-19 Screening Tool link is: <https://entry.neric.org/egcsd>. Save the link on your phone for quick access each morning.

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SCHOOL PICTURES for the Genet Yearbook

For families that are on Full Remote and had their child's picture taken at home or another place, you can send a digital picture and the release form to genetyearbookphotos@gmail.com. Please do so by Monday! If there are any questions, please contact the PTO or myself.

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I wish you all the best and thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,


Wayne Grignon

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