



Good Morning GMS:

Below you'll see a short email of reminders for some upcoming meetings taking place this week and next. Please mark your calendars for those that you should be aware of.

**All 8th grade parents:** A Washington D.C. flyer is attached. Please take a quick look if your child is not already signed up. The registration deadline is quickly approaching. September 29th (Tomorrow) is the last day!

**All GMS Parents:** Goal Setting Conferences take place next week Wednesday and Thursday. If you do not have your conference time, please contact your child's homeroom teacher.

More information about conferences will be forthcoming. Specific information about our book fair will be shared later this week as well.

You'll also notice below contact information for our Special Services (social worker, speech/language pathologist and psychologist) and PE staff. Please contact to set up a time to discuss if needed.

Have a great week ahead!

Marcus and Karen

# Grayslake Middle School

Community Consolidated School District #46



*Community Consolidated School District 46 will provide an educational environment that maximizes the potential of all students to be prepared for life's opportunities while developing a lasting appreciation for learning.*

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**Leadership Team**

Marcus Smith  
Karen Wiesner

September 26, 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Fall conferences are quickly approaching. If you are interested in meeting with your student's PE/Health teacher, we will be located in the large computer lab on Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-6:30 and Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-4:30 and 6:00-8:00, please stop by.

Sincerely,

Mr. Borries, Mr. Foley, Ms. Garrey, Ms. Kraus &  
Mrs. Gheysen

# Space is still available!

There's still time to join your classmates on our trip to  
**Washington, D.C.**

**Trip Dates: June 8-12, 2017**



**Hurry! The  
registration  
deadline is  
September 29!**

**Sign up today using our Trip ID #132830.**

**There are three easy ways to sign up:**

- Online at [worldstrides.com/signup](http://worldstrides.com/signup) (use the Trip ID # listed above to sign up)
- By phone – call the WorldStrides Customer Service Team at 800-468-5899
- By mail – use the student invitation you received from your teacher

**For more information, contact Ellen Bergstrom at (847) 223-3680**

**or via email at [bergstrom.ellen@d46.org](mailto:bergstrom.ellen@d46.org).**

# Grayslake Middle School – Special Services Contacts



## COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT #46

School Psychologist: Kaitlin Stollo, MS, CAS

Kaitlin is at GMS full time and leads the special services team. She is responsible for collaborating with educational teams to help discern and remediate academic and social/emotional difficulties interfering with student's learning. Kaitlin attends IEP meetings, completes initial evaluations, reevaluations and 504 evaluations, and manages 504 plans. You can reach her at: 847-543-5814 or [stollo.kaitlin@d46.org](mailto:stollo.kaitlin@d46.org).

Social Workers:

Diann Hunter, MSW	Teams 7 Green & 7 Blue
Brian Larsen, MSW	Teams 8 Green & 7 Red
Kelli Blume, MSW	Teams 8 Red & 8 Blue

Our social workers are in the building full time to assist students with academic learning by providing strategic services that identify and address the social/emotional and environmental issues that interfere with the education process. Diann can be reached at: 847-543-5805 or [hunter.diann@d46.org](mailto:hunter.diann@d46.org). Brian can be reached at: 847-543-5808 or [larsen.brian@d46.org](mailto:larsen.brian@d46.org). Kelli can be reached at: 847-543-5844 or [blume.kelli@d46.org](mailto:blume.kelli@d46.org).

Speech-Language Therapy: Alexandra Dollinger, M.A., CCC-SLP/L

Alex is at GMS part-time (Monday and Thursday mornings, and full days on Wednesdays) and is responsible for providing prevention, assessment, and remediation services for students who exhibit difficulties in the areas of expressive and receptive language, articulation, voice, and fluency. Alex can be reached at: 847-543-5823 or [dollinger.alexandra@d46.org](mailto:dollinger.alexandra@d46.org).

Lyana Martinez-Marrero, MS, CCC/SLP

Lyana is at GMS part-time (Tuesday afternoons and Fridays all day) and is responsible for providing prevention, assessment, and remediation services for students who exhibit difficulties in the areas of expressive and receptive language, articulation, voice, and fluency. Lyana can be reached at: 847-543-5506 or [martinezmarrero.lyana@d46.org](mailto:martinezmarrero.lyana@d46.org).

Occupational Therapy: Karen Mateling, OTR/L, MEd.

Karen is at GMS Friday mornings and is responsible for serving students with challenges that interfere with their ability to function within the education setting. She supports students with needs in the areas of sensory motor, fine motor, perceptual motor and functional life skills through assessment, consultation and direct services. Karen can be reached at: 847-543-5626 or [mateling.karen@d46.org](mailto:mateling.karen@d46.org).

Educational Hearing Specialist: Lori Hoornstra, M.Ed. Deaf & HOH

Lori is at GMS on Mondays. She is a certified teacher of the hearing impaired who strives to provide equal access in the educational environment for students with hearing impairments. Lori is responsible for identifying students with hearing loss, and providing services to those students (including educating and guiding use and maintenance of assistive listening devices), as identified on their IEPs and 504 Plans. Lori can be reached at: 847-543-5954 or [hoornstra.lori@d46.org](mailto:hoornstra.lori@d46.org).



## SAVE OUR SOUND UPDATE

The initial response to our SOS: Save Our Sound campaign has been great and we've raised nearly \$2,500! Thanks to our early donors who have set the pace.

If this doesn't sound familiar...

The PTO's goal this year is to raise the funds to purchase and install **A NEW SOUND SYSTEM** in the large gym. Pending the School Board's approval, we'd like to have the new sound system in place before the Winter Musical. It's a big goal, but if **each GMS family contributes approximately \$25**, we'll make our goal.

### HOW TO GIVE:

- Write a check to GMS PTO and drop it off or send to school with your student
- Donate online at our GoFundMe page:  
<https://www.gofundme.com/GMS-PTO-S-O-S>
- Give at one of the upcoming events below

### SAVE THE DATE!

These upcoming events will also benefit the SOS campaign:

**October 5-6:** GMS Book Fair at Parent Teacher Conferences  
Drop off your Box Tops for Education

**October 24:** GMS Choir concert

**October 27:** GMS Band concert

**November 12:** Parents' Night Out at Wine Knows  
Join us from 6:30 – 9:30 to enjoy wine tasting and get to know other GMS parents. Tickets are \$15 and 10% of sales from the evening will go directly to the SOS campaign. More registration info to come.

*All donations are voluntary and greatly appreciated.*

## 2016-2017 PTO

President	Jen Smith
Vice President	Jane Lay
Treasurer	Anjali Zowaski
Secretaries	Ann Van Kast, Gail Lenning
Box Top Chair	Ann Smith

Questions? Want to help?  
[jen.smith\\_16@yahoo.com](mailto:jen.smith_16@yahoo.com)

Join Us at the  
Next PTO Meeting:  
Tues, Oct. 11  
7 p.m. @ GMS



Box Tops are an easy way to earn ca\$h for GMS. Just clip the label from hundreds of products and send to school with your student. Drop box is located near the office and the first submission for this school year is October 15!

Earn more with the **Box Top Bonus mobile app:**

- Download the app from <http://www.btfe.com>
- Find offers listed and buy products
- Take a picture of your receipt and submit it
- Earn bonus points for GMS!