

GVS JANUARY 2025



Happy New Year! The staff at GVS hope you all had a great break and are looking forward to a successful and inspiring new year in 2025. We are excited to get back into our daily educational routines.

The conclusion of the first semester and report cards for our grade 9-12 students is fast approaching. Please be sure to have a look at your child's exam schedule for the last week of January. As we move forward into 2025, one of our biggest goals remains to help all students feel welcome, respected, accepted, and safe. We continue to strive to motivate our students to find success in all aspects of school.

We are happy that many extra-curricular activities are in full swing. Parents can find practice and game times on our school website under daily announcements. We continue to take pride in our relationships with parents/guardians and encourage partnership in the important job of educating the children of our community. Please do not hesitate to keep an open and ongoing communication between home and school.

As we enter January, please be mindful of the frigid temperatures that often accompany the month of January. Students are reminded to wear proper outdoor gear. Students in grades 5-8 still participate in outdoor recess and noon hour breaks. Indoor recess and noon hour recess occur when the temperature is -30 or below.

Wishing our entire school community a healthy, joyous, and exciting 2025!

Angela Burtnack-Schinkel

Jan 6th: First Day of Classes of 2025

Jan 24th-30th: Final Assessment Block (Gr 9-12)

*Please review schedule below

Jan 28th-30th: Scholastic Book Fair

Jan 31st: PD/Admin Day, NO CLASSES



Save
the
date

February 20th - Carnival Night!

More Details to Come!

Open to all students, families & friends.

PAC NEWS

January Hot Lunch Schedule

- Jan 10 - Pizza
- Jan 17 - Fries / poutines / chicken fingers / Bubble Tea
- Jan 24 - Pizza
- Jan 30 - Subway

Hot lunch is now online! Orders can be placed using the Munch-A-Lunch program. Please follow this link to setup your account.

Please email Carla Campbell, PAC Chair, if you have any questions:
campbellcarla79@gmail.com

PAC is looking for volunteers to help with the hot lunch program. You can sign up by following this link: [GVS PAC Signup.com](https://www.gvsd.org/pac/signup.com) -- Friday Hot Lunch
(all volunteers in the Hanover School Division must complete a Child Abuse Registry Check (CAR) and an enhanced Police Information Check (PIC) sometimes referred to as a criminal records check).



January 2025 Final Assessment Schedule

Friday, January 24, 9:00

9 Social Studies (P5)	M. Zwaagstra	Rm. 113
10 Science (P5)	S. Harder	Rm. 111
10 Geo (P5)	R. Schroeder	Rm. 112
10 ELA (P5)	C. Epp	Rm. 105
11 Biology	A. Penner	Rm. 110
12 Sport and Motion	C. Thiessen	Rm. 109

Friday, January 24, 1:00

Make up exams

Monday, January 27, 9:00

9 Science	C. Thiessen	Rm. 109
10 ELA (P4)	C. Epp	Rm. 105
10 Science (P4)	S. Harder	Rm. 111
10 Geo (P4)	R. Schroeder	Rm. 112
11 Can History	M. Zwaagstra	Rm. 113
11 Essential Math	G. Dueck	Rm. 106

Monday, January 27, 1:00

Make up exams

Tuesday, January 28, 9:00

9 Social Studies (P2)	M. Zwaagstra	Rm. 113
9 ELA (P2)	K. Hiebert	Rm. 107
10 Pre Cal	A. Penner	Rm. 110
10 Essential Math	G. Dueck	Rm. 106
11 ELA	C. Epp	Rm. 105
11 Can History	R. Schroder	Rm. 112
11 Chemistry	C. Thiessen	Rm. 109

Tuesday, January 28, 1:00

Make up exams

Wednesday, January 29, 9:00

9 Social Studies (P4)	M. Zwaagstra	Rm. 113
9 ELA (P4)	K. Hiebert	Rm. 107
11 Applied Math	A. Penner	Rm. 110
11 Pre-Cal Math	G. Dueck	Rm. 106
12 Chemistry	C. Thiessen	Rm. 109

Wednesday, January 29, 1:00

Make up exams

Thursday, January 30, 9:00

Student Portfolios and Interviews

Thursday, January 30, 1:00

Make up exams

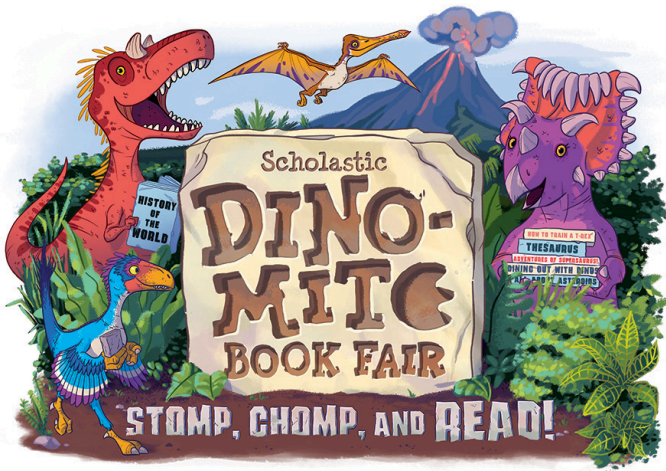
Monday, February 3, Semester 2 Begins

Provincial Exams

- English Language Arts 40S - January 7-10, 2025
- Applied Mathematics - January 21, 2025
- Pre-Calculus Mathematics - January 23, 2025

Student Information

- If you have an exam conflict, please let your teacher know ASAP.
- Each exam slot is two hours; students are expected to remain in exam rooms for a minimum of 1 hour and 30 minutes



Happy New Year!

From September to December 2024, over 14,000 books were checked out from the GVS Library! Amazing! That is around 3500 books a month or 875 books a week or 125 books a day! One book borrower has read 533 books this school year and the one classroom has read over 2395 books! Way to Read Pirates! Thank you :)

Speaking of books, are you ready to discover more stories? If so, read this! The Scholastic Book Fair is returning to GVS, in-person, Jan. 28 - 30, 2025! Our theme is the "Dino-mite, Stomp, Chomp & Read! Book Fair". It's the ultimate sale event with books and boutique items such as pencils, erasers, posters and more for sale. There are also contests and prize draws. Additionally, a portion of the sales benefits our school. It's the best way to raise funds while encouraging kids to read. Scholastic book Fair flyers and information will be sent home in January, after the break

Book Fair Dates: January 28-30, 2025 Location: GVS Library

Family Night Event: Thursday, January 30, 4:00 - 7:00 pm. Location: GVS Library

During the book fair, we will accept debit and credit cards, cash and cheques (made payable to GVS). Visit the book fair on Family Night for a chance to win \$25 in books for your home library and \$25 in books for your students' classroom library. Soon you can visit the Scholastic Book Fairs website to read reviews of the Featured Books, watch book trailers and author videos and more. If you are interested in volunteering to help or learning more about our Scholastic Book Fair, please contact Mrs. T. Friesen (librarian) at 204-434-6415 or by email tfriesen@hsd.ca.

Thank you again, for helping make our students lifelong readers - we couldn't do it without your participation and support.



GREEN VALLEY TEAM GEAR IS HERE!!

We are very pleased to offer Green Valley Gear through our online shop. Rep your team, or your school pride with a shirt, hoodie, jacket, sweatshirt and much more!

All gear is fully customizable and is delivered right to your door or to the school if you wish!

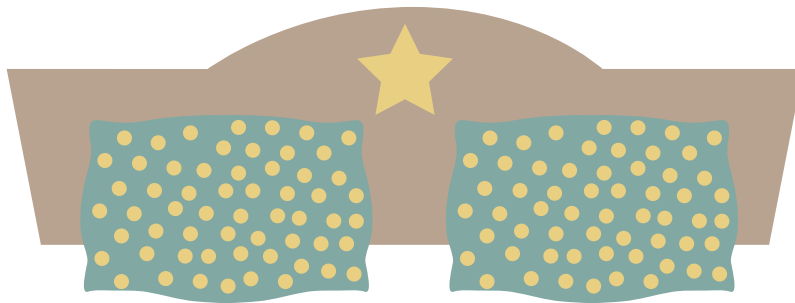
Visit: <https://greenvalleyschool.entripyshops.com/>



College and University Applications

Please note that the application deadline for applying to the University of Manitoba and University of Winnipeg is March 1, 2025 if you wish to be eligible for an entrance scholarship.

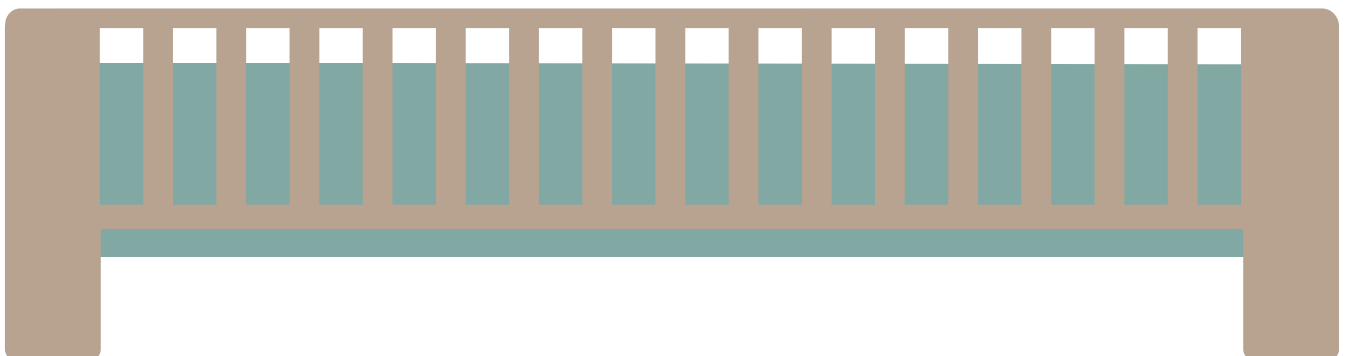
This date is also the last date for faculties that have direct entry as an option. Students may still apply after March 1, but the only option will be University 1 at the U of M. You may apply for college at any time, but note that their programs have specific start dates and the spaces do fill up for many of the programs. Some university faculties, like Music, require earlier submissions.



SLEEP AND ADOLESCENCE

A typical school-aged child needs 8 to 10 hours of sleep per night.

- However, many students are getting less than 7 hours of sleep per night
- and some less than 5 hours. During adolescence, children still need guidance and direction. If left up to their own choices, many students do not make wise decisions when it comes to sleep habits. Parents often need to make direct decisions for their children. Parents - be sure you know the sleep habits of your children and intervene if they have developed poor sleep habits. The benefits of a proper night's sleep on mood, school performance, relationships and more is well documented.



CALLING ALL ALUMNI OF GVS



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

We are trying to track down the Alumni from GVS.

When did you graduate?

What employment have you had?

Where have you lived?

We want to show our current students the wide variety of things our students do after graduation.

Please email our school counsellor:

cagerbrandt@hsd.ca



Grab & Go Snacks

Thanks to the Nutrition Grant funding provided by Manitoba Education and Early Childhood Learning, we will be enhancing students' access to nutritious snacks at Green Valley School. This initiative ensures every student can access fresh fruit and vegetables, helping them stay energized and ready to learn.

As part of this program, our school will have fresh fruit and vegetables readily available during the school day. This is intended for students needing a healthy snack to help them concentrate and participate fully in their learning. We understand that access to nutritious food is essential for physical and mental well-being, and we are committed to ensuring that no child goes hungry while in our school.

These snacks will be available in front of the main office.

REMINDER

Attendance Procedures

Please let us know when your child will be absent from school, for any reason:

Phone: (204) 434-6415

Email: gvs@hsd.ca

Through the HSD Parent Portal

*if your child is absent from school and the office has not been notified, you may receive an automated telephone message & email asking you to contact the school