

## Principal's Page

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I would like to update you on a few new endeavors in progress at Gilmanton Schools. We will be implementing PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports) throughout the district. One advantage of our school already is the positive behavior of our students, but we still have areas in which we can do better. Mrs. Rohrscheib, Mrs. Stephens, and I attended training sessions in September and October. When PBIS is fully implemented, the goal is a safe, calm and predictable environment, where staff pre-corrects behaviors instead of being reactive to issues that have arisen. In the end, PBIS users believe improving behaviors at school will, in turn, help improve academics. More information will be coming in the future, as we plan to implement PBIS in the fall of 2011.

Another area we plan to zone in on is preparing high school students for ACT and SAT Tests. Mrs. Frieburg will be meeting with sophomores and older to work on test prep during their study halls. If you would like to work with your son or daughter at home, there are websites you can take advantage of. One website is <http://knowhow2gowisconsin.org/>; click on the test prep link.

Another website is The Learning Express Library <http://www.learnatest.com/LEL/index.cfm/?HR=http://www.badgerlink.net/>. On the left side of the homepage are links that can help your child. These practice tests and information are free. Look for these links to be added to the Gilmanton School website.

Mr. Denk has obtained a comparison chart from the Wisconsin Taxpayers Alliance that compares Gilmanton to the Dairyland Conference. Here are a few facts supporting our school. Our small size gives us many advantages, and one is our low teacher-student ratio that benefits all students. Comparing the average ACT scores from 2008-09, the conference schools ranged from 20.6 to 22.6, with Gilmanton coming in at 21.4. In 2009-10, Gilmanton's WKCE state test scores led the conference with 100% of 4<sup>th</sup> graders reading at proficient or advanced and 91% of 8th grade students ranking as proficient or advanced. These scores can fluctuate through the years, but overall reinforces that our students are receiving a quality education.

One last item I would like to make note of is some statistics from last year's 2010 Gilmanton High School graduating class. Of this class of sixteen students, ten students went on to two- or four-year technical colleges and universities, one student joined the military, and five went on to employment. Three of these former students are attending major Division 1 schools-the University of Minnesota, University of Wisconsin-Madison, and Marquette University. It is fulfilling as staff to see 68% furthering their education and the balance finding employment.

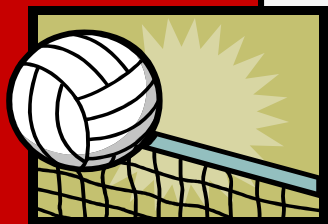
As always, we continually strive to help the students at Gilmanton achieve academic excellence.

-Mr. Rud

# Volleyball...

-Macie Coppage

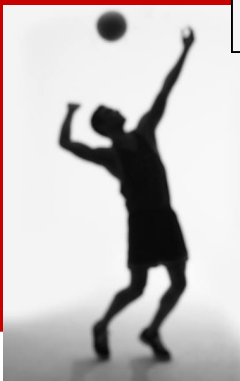
To say that the volleyball season went by slowly would be an understatement. From losing our first game at Whitehall, to playing our hearts out in Pepin, and even to all of the injuries; this year was full of laughs, tears, and hard dedication.—To our **coaches**, we would have never won a game this year if it wasn't for your never ending support and love for our team. Thank you for being there with us through the victories and losses.—To the **underclassmen**, I, as well as the other seniors on the team, have had a great last year with you. Keep up the hard work next year and remember that in the end you all are a part of our little "family". -Macie Coppage



"Never let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game"

Thanks you Lisa and Kayla for a great year of volleyball.

Good luck next year ladies!



The JV girls had a great season this year. Their hard work always showed through when they needed it most. The JV team had an ending record of 4-5. They won 16 individual games and lost 21 individual games.



JV Team: (L-R) Front: Jessa K and Taylor B. Middle: Patty K, Mariah P, Michelle L, Amanda S. Back: Coach Kayla Rudy, Brittany L, Tiffany D, Courtney B, and Karissa D.



Varsity Team:(L-R) Front: Paige C and Jenna A. Middle: Abby P, Ashley W, and Kendra G. Back: Coach Kayla Rudy, Kelsey R, Kelsey B, Macie C, Kelli K, and Coach Lisa Bloom

The varsity girls season record was 3-6 in the conference and 8-11 overall. They had 24 individual wins and 32 individual losses. The girls definitely had their ups and their downs. There was endless dedication shown on the varsity team this year and that is something that both the team and the coaches should be very proud of.

The volleyball girls this year participated in a Dig Pink event in which they raised as much money as they could to go to breast cancer research. It was hosted by Luther Midelfort and UW Eau Claire. After all fundraising had been done, the girls got to go to the UWEC's own Dig Pink game. At the game our volleyball team found out that we were the team that raised the most rounding in at about over \$2,600!

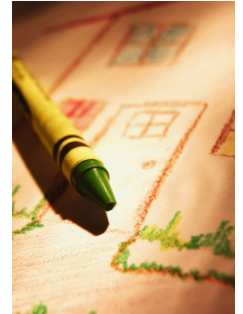
Also the volleyball girls would like to thank everyone who helped in making our Dig Pink event such a success. Whether you donated money, made bars for the bake sale, or worked to help, we greatly appreciate it.

# Winding River Review Editors

Congratulations to the Winding River Review local editors: **Jenna Amidon, Jady Devine, Kendra Weinrich, and Brittany Laehn.**

The Winding River Review local editors and advisor, Miss Ryskiewicz, will be accepting student writing from now through January. All pieces submitted will be considered for publication on the Gilmanton pages of the 21st Annual Winding River Review and will automatically be entered for the "Best Of..." Awards in all submission categories.

Any students interested in publishing their work should see Miss Ryskiewicz or any of the local editors for more information!



“Courage is the discovery that you may not win, and trying when you know you can lose.”

## Helpful Websites

**Helpful websites for college planning and career searches:**

- [www.wicareerpathways](http://www.wicareerpathways)
- [uwhelp.wisconsin.edu](http://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu)  
Go to: **Finding your fit** and choose **college portrait** to review all UW schools programs.
- [knowhow2go.org](http://knowhow2go.org) : helpful advice to 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students

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# Scholarship Opportunities

**Attention Seniors:** The Kohl Excellence Scholarship is offered to all seniors planning on attending a postsecondary institution. The applications will be evaluated on leadership, citizenship, school/community involvement, and academic achievement. See Mrs. Frieburg for an application if interested.

**Seniors:** Coca-Cola is awarding scholarships to high school seniors. The deadline is October 31st. If interested go to [www.coca-colascholars.org](http://www.coca-colascholars.org) or see Mrs. Frieburg for assistance

**AXA Achievement Scholarship-** This scholarship is for seniors who have been involved in projects that have benefited their community. Learn more at: [www.axa-achievement.com](http://www.axa-achievement.com) or from Mrs. Frieburg. Deadline for applications is December 15<sup>th</sup>.

## Breakdown of Prospective Title I students 2010-2011 (Reading and/or Math)

K	28%
1	26%
2	28%
3	25%
4	40%
5	11%

\*\*All members of the Gilmanton Area Community are welcome to inspect the school district's ESEA Consolidated Application for the 2010-2011 school year. Visit the administration office during school hours.



## Help Wanted:



The Gilmanton School District is looking for a substitute cook.

If you are interested, please contact Mr. Rud at 715-946-3158.

# ACT Dates

All juniors who are considering attending a post-secondary institution after graduation should take the ACT in either February or April. Seniors who have not yet taken (or wish to improve previous scores) should also register for the ACT if pursuing college admittance.

**ACT test dates-2010-2011 (register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org))**

**December 11, 2010**

**February 12, 2011**

**April 9, 2011**

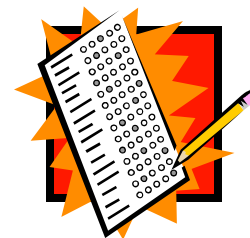
**June 11, 2011**

*register by November 5*

*register by January 7, 2011*

*register by March 4, 2011*

*register by May 6, 2011*



Register online by creating a password/account or see Mrs. Frieburg for assistance

## Elementary Guidance

In October, Gilmanton Elementary Students celebrated making healthy life choices during our annual Red Ribbon Week. Students dressed up to signify what they can do to live a happy and healthy lifestyle. They learned about the negative effects of drugs and tobacco and we focused on positive alternatives.

In 4-year old kindergarten, kindergarten and first grade we have been practicing using clues to identify our own and other's feelings and how to resolve conflict. The curriculum I use helps foster empathy in children. Research shows that empathetic people are much more effective in resolving conflicts throughout their lives.

Our second and third grade students recently enjoyed a unit on acceptance and tolerance. They drew for "Secret Buddies". The students were then asked to do extra nice things for this person for a two week span. They were further instructed to try and "fool" their buddy by doing kind acts towards other students in an effort to not be guessed as the "Secret Buddy." This activity helps foster a feeling of positive community in the classroom and results in improved communications and relationships.

Our fourth and fifth grade students have been creating a "Career Folder." It is my intent to fill this folder with self-awareness assessments, learning styles discovery, multiple intelligence awareness, as well as possible career interests and exploration. My goal is to review these folders with parents and students at the end of 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

Please contact me if you ever need assistance for your children. I can be reached at school on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and some Fridays or by email at [afrieburg@ghs.k12.wi.us](mailto:afrieburg@ghs.k12.wi.us)

*"I've learned that no matter what happens, or how bad it seems today, life does go on, and it will be better tomorrow."*

Amy Frieburg

Gilmanton School Counselor



# Is School Closed?

The following television and radio stations will be notified when there is a school closing announcement to be made.

TV		
WKBT	CHANNEL 8	CBS
WEAU	CHANNEL 13	NBC
WQOW	CHANNEL 18	ABC
RADIO		
WCCO	AM 830	
WFMX	FM 102.5	
WAXX	FM 104.5	
WAYY	AM 790	
I-94	FM 94.1	
COOL	FM 92.9	
CARP	FM 99.9	
B95 (WQRB)	FM 95.1	
ROCK 92.1 (WMEQ)	FM 92.1	
Z100 (WBIZ)	FM 100.7	
MOOSE COUNTRY (WATQ)	FM 106.7	
WMEQ	AM 880	
WBIZ	AM 1400	
WISM	FM 98.1	
WHTL	FM 102.3	

## Parents Club

The PTO at C-FC is hosting the First Annual Holiday Craft Fair at Cochrane-Fountain City School on Saturday, December 4, as a fundraiser for the elementary playground. They are looking for talented local people to sell their handmade goods at the fair.

If you are interested in participating, \$5 of your booth fee will be sent back to the Gilmanton Parents' Club.

More information is available at [www.cfc.k12.wi.us](http://www.cfc.k12.wi.us) and click on the PTO tab or join [www.facebook.com/cfcpto](https://www.facebook.com/cfcpto).

# Pep Band Schedule

Tuesday, Nov 30  
 Friday, Dec. 10  
 Tuesday, Dec. 14  
 Thursday, Jan. 6  
 Friday, Jan. 7  
 Thursday, Jan 20  
 Friday, Jan 21  
 Thursday, Feb. 3  
 Friday, Feb. 4  
 Friday, Feb. 11  
 Tuesday, Feb. 15  
 Monday, Feb. 28

Boys	Elmwood
Girls	Alma
Boys	C-FC
Boys	Eleva-Strum
Girls	Independence
Boys	Lincoln
Girls	Whitehall
Boys	Alma
Girls	Blair-Taylor
Boys	Independence
Girls	C-CF
Girls	EC Immanuel

Students should plan on being at the gym by 6:50 p.m. It is important they let Mr. Seitz know if they cannot attend.



## Panther Apparel!



Panther Apparel on Sale!

Are you looking for a way to show your Panther Pride?

The freshman class will be selling Gilmanton t-shirts and sweatshirts. If you are interested, order forms are available in the high school office. Information will also be sent home with elementary students. Orders will be taken until November 19.

## Library News

-Judy Winsand, Library Assistant

We would like to welcome Mrs. Linda Windjue on staff as our head librarian. We share her with the Eleva/Strum School District so she is here part-time. She has brought some fresh ideas for us to use in the high school library, and she will be working with the Elementary in conforming to State regulations / specifications as to their centralized library collection.

We have made a slight change in the 6-12 library collection; except for a few series, the fiction paperbacks have been moved from the shelves and racks to bookcases in the back of the room. Some have been weeded out and are in the back hallway on the third floor where the students are free to take them. The ones remaining will be put on a table in the main hallway near the office during parent/teacher conferences, and they will be free to anyone who wants them. We also have two old sets of encyclopedias to dispose of: a 30-volume set of 1985 Grolier Encyclopedia Americana, and a 21-volume set of the 1988 Academic American Encyclopedia (also published by Grolier). If anyone is interested, please call the school.

We are really enjoying the automated system in the library this year. Just a few clicks of the computer keyboard and we can find the book that we're looking for, or what books are available on a certain subject that could be used for research. We can also still borrow books from other libraries in the Winding Rivers Library System, which is a great help to us budget-wise in not having to purchase the book ourselves.

Let's keep those students reading!

## Free Flu Clinic

### **FREE FLU CLINIC**

**for Gilmanton School District Students**

**Where: Gilmanton High School**

**When: November 18, 2010**

**Time: 7 a.m. to 12 Noon**

**Sponsor: Buffalo County Public Health Nursing**



#### *What do I Need to Participate?*

- 1) Every student requesting the flu shot must have the consent form completed and signed by a parent/guardian. The consent form is on the next page.**

Consent form is on next page

- 2) Students in 4th grade and below must have their parent or guardian present for the vaccination.**



## 2010 School Influenza Vaccine Consent Form Buffalo County Public Health

### Section 1: Information on Client to Receive Vaccine (please print)

NAME (Last)	(First)	(M.I.)	DATE OF BIRTH month _____ day _____ year _____
AGE	GENDER M / F		
ADDRESS	DAYTIME PHONE NUMBER:		
CITY	STATE	ZIP	
Grade	Cell Phone #		

The following questions will help us to know if your can get the 2010 influenza vaccine. Please mark YES or NO for each question.

	YES	NO
1. Do you have a serious allergy to eggs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Do you have any other serious allergies? Please list: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Have you ever had a serious reaction to a previous dose of flu vaccine?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Have you ever had Guillain-Barré Syndrome (a type of temporary severe muscle weakness) within 6 weeks after receiving a flu vaccine?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Are you pregnant?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Have you been sick, in the last 7 days? (having a fever higher than 101 degrees F)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Section 2: Consent

I have read or have had explained to me the 2010-2011 Vaccine Information Statement for the 2010 Seasonal flu vaccine and have had the opportunity to ask questions, which were answered to my satisfaction. I understand the risks and benefits of this vaccine and give consent for Buffalo County Public Health and designated staff to vaccinate the individual listed at the top of this form (for whom I have authority to provide consent) with the appropriate vaccine based on professional assessment of contraindications present. I also consent for this information to be entered into the WI Immunization Registry.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

Date: month \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_ year \_\_\_\_\_

I GIVE CONSENT to Buffalo County Public Health Department and its staff to bill my private, HMO or Badgercare insurance company for an administration fee.

#### Information from both sides of the Insurance Card

Insurance Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Group #: \_\_\_\_\_ ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

Date: month \_\_\_\_\_ day \_\_\_\_\_ year \_\_\_\_\_

\*Thank you, the billing of the administration fee helps us to keep offering Flu vaccine in our schools.

### Section 3: Vaccination Record

#### FOR ADMINISTRATIVE USE ONLY

Vaccine	Date Dose Administered	Route	Dose Number (1st or 2nd)	Vaccine Manufacturer	Lot Number	Name and Title of Vaccine Administrator
2010 Seasonal	/ /	<input type="checkbox"/> IM				
2010 Seasonal	/ /	<input type="checkbox"/> IM <input type="checkbox"/> Intranasal				

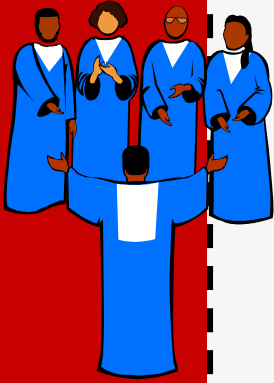
Links for Vaccine Information Sheets:

Inactivated (shot):

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/downloads/vis-flu.pdf>

Live (nasal):

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/downloads/vis-flulive.pdf>



## Gilmanston Choir

### Concert Choir Attends Singing Statesmen Concert

On Thursday, October 28, the Concert Choir travelled to Osseo High School to hear the Singing Statesmen. They are an 80 member male choir from UW-Eau Claire considered to be one of the top male choirs in the United States. The students were given a wonderful opportunity to hear them perform the concert that they would be presenting at the Wisconsin State Music Association Conference in Madison. Directed by Dr. Gary R. Schwatthoff, Director of Choral Activities, the group has travelled worldwide during their 45 years of existence. They have released nine recordings and have commissioned numerous composers to write pieces for them. The concert featured a range of music from early Renaissance to Contemporary periods.



## Christmas Concert

### Looking for Singers...

This year, the All-School Christmas program will be on Monday, December 20 at 7:00 PM in the High School Gymnasium. It will feature all 7 performing groups Grades 4K-12.

This year, a highlight will be the Concert Choir singing the "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's oratorio "The Messiah".

We are looking for community members with singing experience to join us. If you are interested contact Mr. Seitz at: [bseitz@ghs.k12.wi.us](mailto:bseitz@ghs.k12.wi.us) or call 715-946-3158. You will receive a copy of the music and a practice CD. There will be opportunities to practice with the choir.

The School District of Gilmanston does not discriminate against pupils on the basis of sex, race, national origin, religion, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability or handicap in its education programs or activities.

# Legal Notices

## SECTION 504 COMPLAINT PROCEDURE

Section 504 deals with discrimination against the handicapped and therefore, the Gilmanton School District in compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 regarding discrimination against the handicapped adopted by the Department of Health and Human Services, publishes the following complaint procedures.

A complaint is defined as an alleged action prohibited under the act identified above, and a complainant is a student or employee who submits a complaint.

Step 1: The complainant must submit to the Section 504 Coordinator a signed, written, "Statement of Complaint." The "Statement of Complaint"; shall identify all the provisions of the Rules and Regulations alleged to be violated; shall state the contention of the complainant with respect to those provisions; shall indicate the relief requested; and shall be signed by the complainant involved. The Coordinator shall give the complainant answer in writing no later than five (5) business days after receipt of the written complaint.

Step 2: If the complaint is not resolved in Step 1 above, the complainant shall have the right to file said complaint with the Clerk of the Board of Education within five (5) days of the response as provided in Step 1. The Board shall have thirty (30) days to render its decision in writing to the complainant.

Any complaint submitted under this procedure shall be filed at Step 1 within twenty (20) business days after the complainant became aware, or reasonably should have been aware, of the complaint. If the complaint is not served with in that time, the complaint will not be considered. Failure of the complainant to appeal the complaint from Step 1 to Step 2 within the time limit provided shall also bar the complaint.

## NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS

As a parent in the School District of Gilmanton, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the classroom teachers that instruct your child. The federal No Child Left Behind law allows you to request specific information about your child's classroom teachers and requires that your school respond to your request in a timely manner. You have the right to ask for the following information in regard to your child's teachers:

- \* Whether the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction has licensed or qualified the teacher for the grades and subject he or she teaches.
- \* Whether the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction has decided that the teacher can teach in a classroom without being licensed or qualified under state regulations, because of special circumstances.
- \* The teachers' college major; whether the teacher has advanced degrees and, if so, the subject of the degrees.
- \* Whether any teacher's assistants or similar paraprofessionals provide services to your child and, if they do, their qualifications.

If you would like to receive any of this information, please call Glen Denk at 946-3158.



# Cross Country Advances to State!

The Gilmanton/Independence Cross Country team ran their sectional meet in Arcadia on Saturday, October 23. The girls finished in the middle of the pack with Alyssa Herbenson placing 59th with a time of 20:33 and Lindsay Laehn finished 68th with a time of 20:59. It was a wet and muddy run with people falling and sliding all over. The boys had their sights set on a chance to make it to state as a team and accomplished that by finishing second behind Blair-Taylor, who is also in our conference. That means two teams from our conference are going to be represented at State.

Sean Warner was our top runner finishing in 6th place with a time of 18:10 followed by Patrick Warner in 10th place, Taylor Guza in 17th place, Matt Steele in 19th place, and rounding out the top 5 was our own runner from Gilmanton, Brandon Benish finishing in 31st place with a time of 19:41. The boys have been really fun to watch this year competing every day and pushing one another every time they run.

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