



**Genesee School District**

7347 N. Genesee Rd.  
Genesee MI 48437

The Genesee School District will be the top achieving district in Genesee County where all students will be prepared to be contributing members of their communities.

## School Board Recognition Month



Special thanks to our school board members during January's National School Board Recognition: President: Gary Galbraith, Vice-President: Eladio Quintanilla, Treasurer: Fred Hinz, Secretary Daniel Eashoo, Trustees: Wayne Blossom, Roger Haas, & Brian C. Simons.

The Communicator's new look is brought to you by Mrs. McKeever's 3rd hour Publications class.

## Attention: Graduating Seniors...

**Are you and your parents in need of assistance with preparing for financial aid?**

Mott Community College is offering a free financial aid workshop for Genesee High School Seniors and their parent(s) interested in completing the

**Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** online application.

You will need to have at your disposal:

- Your 2009 tax information and that of your parent(s).
- Appropriate identification (photo I.D., driver's license and social security number).
- Dependent students will need parent(s) social security numbers and date(s) of birth as well.

The workshop can:

- Help you understand the financial aid process.

- Explain the types of financial aid programs available.
- Complete your financial aid application (2009-2010).
- Answer your questions in regard to financial aid.

When and where:

January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 6:00 p.m.

Genesee High School Tech Room

Please RSVP to Mrs. Klink by Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

She will give you a checklist of items needed to complete the financial aid form. This way we will also be able to be sure to have enough computers available for participants.

For additional information, contact Mrs. Klink at 591-8125 ext. 233 or [lklink@geneseeschools.org](mailto:lklink@geneseeschools.org)

You can go to the website [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov) to complete your on-line application.

## Haas Elementary PTO Updates

Fridays + elementary = Popcorn

Jan 20 @ 6 p.m. PTO Meeting

Jan 22 Bake Sale

Jan 28 6 - 8 p.m. Skate Night at Skateland Arena

Congratulations to Mrs. Karram's class for the most Campbell Soup labels, Box Tops and VG Receipts collected in October. They received an ice cream party!!



Genesee Public Schools will be closed for students on **Monday, January 18, 2010** to observe Martin Luther King Day. Classes will resume at the regular starting time on Tuesday, January 19, 2010.



### Genesee School District Vision

The Genesee School District will be the top achieving district in Genesee County where all students will be prepared to be contributing members of their communities.

## Superintendent's Corner...

Welcome to the New Year. In June the class of 2010 will graduate from Genesee High School. This will be the fiftieth graduating class. Thousands of students have passed through our doors and have gone on to be successful contributing members of their communities. Part of our school district vision is: *All students will be prepared to be contributing members of their communities.*

In addition to academics, we are providing experiences that allow students to learn to help their communities. Contributing to a community includes donating time and or money to help others and

improve the environment we live in. In the past year our students have raised money for Toys for Tots, the community food bank, local families in need of support, and scholarship opportunities. Students have donated their time to the Genesee Memorial Day Festival, Red Cross blood drives, the Lions Club annual barbeque, and our recycling program. The National Honor Society helped a local church with a giant food distribution for needy families. Food was distributed to over 960 people including 400 children. These are just some of the ways our students support others. Through these experiences students grow to understand

how important it is to help make their community a better place to live.

We have seen many changes in education over the years. The current economy and educational research has sparked a variety of state and federal proposals that could dramatically change the way we present education to students and how we spend our limited resources. The current funding system for education is not working. Changes need to be made in the funding structure. Please encourage our legislature to do what is right for the future of education. See our website, [geneseeschools.org](http://geneseeschools.org), for more information.

## Board of Education Election

Two Genesee Board of Education positions, held by Brian C. Simons and Fred Hinz, are expiring June 30, 2010. The deadline for candidates to file a petition at the Genesee County Clerk's Office is Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. The election will be held on Tuesday, May 4, 2010. For more information call the Superintendent's office or the County Clerk at 810-257-3284.

## Holiday Spirit

Once again the Genesee Staff, board members, students, student groups, and community groups have helped families in our community



this holiday season.

The Genesee High School Student Council and the National Honor Society sponsored a competition between classes for a canned food drive and a coin drive. The winning classes were rewarded with donuts and an opportunity to throw pies at Mr. Rohrer and Mr. Wilcox.



Mr. Rohrer and Mr. Wilcox were "pied" by students as part of the Genesee Vision to help students contribute to their community.

## 14th Annual Create-a-Card

Third through sixth grade students competed in the 14th annual create-a-card competition. The students designed a holiday greeting card for our school district. The card selected was designed by Korrina Rusch. She received a \$25 gift certificate to Borders. ATI Group selected Cecily Powell's design, and she also received a \$25 gift certificate to Borders. Congratulations!

~~NO SCHOOL JANUARY 4~~ STUDENTS RETURN FROM WINTER BREAK JAN 5, 2010  
~~NO SCHOOL JANUARY 18~~ — PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & RECORDS DAY

## Johnson Memorial Library Happenings

### Spanish Conversation

Have you ever wanted to learn Spanish? Now is the chance to learn basic conversational Spanish in an informal setting. Ages: Adult. January 12 6:00- 7:00 pm

**Gracias!**

### Book Discussion Group

Adult discussion group takes place the 1st Thursday at 6 p.m. Call the library at 640-1410 for a list of upcoming books.

### Friends of Johnson Memorial Library

Want to support the Johnson Memorial Library? Join the Friends of the Johnson Memorial. For more details ask at the library or call 640-1410.

## School Closings

If the weather, road conditions or other emergencies require the closing of the school, it will be announced on WJRT-TV Channel 12, WEYI-TV Channel 25, and radio station WCRZ 107.9. School closings will also be posted on the district's website, [gene-seeschools.org](http://gene-seeschools.org). Please do not call television or radio stations as this makes it more difficult for school officials to contact them.

## Three All-State Players from Genesee

The Genesee Varsity Football team had three players recognized at the state level. This is the second year for all-state recognition of Garret Cook. Congratulations to these players and the Genesee Varsity team for their many successes.



Genesee Wolves All-State Players

received Honorable Mention All-State Quarterback by the *Detroit Free Press*.

### Junior Caleb Quintanilla

was named to the 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-State as a Linebacker by the *Detroit Free Press*, and received Honorable Mention All-State, *Associated Press*.

### Senior Garret Cook

was named to the 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-State as a Defensive Back by the *Detroit News*, and received Special Mention All-State Quarterback by the *Associated Press*. Cook also re-

ceived Special Mention All-State, *Associated Press* and Honorable Mention All-State, *Detroit News*.

## Coach of the Year



The 2009 Michigan High School Football Coaches Association (MHSFCA) named Coach Brad Brown the Regional Coach of the Year representing all Genesee County Area Schools. He will be recognized at the MHSFCA clinic on January 21, 2010, in Battle Creek Michigan.

## Book Fair 2009

Mrs. Klink would like to thank the community for supporting the library media center by coming to the book fair. We earned approximately \$800.00. The cash will be used for the extras the library media center needs. We also received over \$600.00 in new books for the library media center, and Scholastic Book Fairs will also be sending us a gift certificate for their catalog. As an added bonus, many teachers received

books from the Classroom Wish List program for their classroom libraries.

A big thank you goes to the volunteers who helped at the book fair to make it a success. Mrs. Klink could not do it without them.

Our next book fair will be at the end of May. This will be our buy-one-get-one-free fair in order to get ready for summer reading. Watch



Genesee students look forward to more books to read.

for more information in the *Communicator* or on the school website.

# January 2010

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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4 NO SCHOOL	5 Picnic Hot Dogs Coney Dogs Buns Potato Salad	6 Goulash Meat Sauce Pizza Peas & Carrots Rolls	7 Burritos Nachos Meat Cheese Rice	8 Macaroni & Cheese Pizza Tomatoes Green Beans Rolls
11 Hamburgers Sloppy Joes Scalloped Potatoes Carrots/Dip Apples	12 Ham Or Turkey Wrap Pizza Mashed Potatoes Oranges	13 Ravioli Meat Sauce Pizza Breadsticks Mixed Vegetables Pears	14 S.W. Pizza Nachos Meat Cheese Corn Pineapple	15 Grilled Cheese Pizza Tomato Soup Vegetables Peaches
18 NO SCHOOL	19 Chicken Nuggets BBQ Riblets Wheat Rolls Tater Tots Carrots Peaches	20 Spaghetti Meat Sauce Pizza Vegetables Rolls Apples	21 Quesadilla Nachos Meat Cheese Rice Corn Oranges	22 Macaroni & Cheese Pizza Tomatoes Peas Rolls Pineapple
25 Chili Chicken Noodle Soup Cheese Crackers Veggies	26 French Toast Sticks Sausage Hash browns Applesauce	27 Corndogs Pizza Fresh Salad Fruit Slushies Oranges	28 Burritos Nachos Meat Cheese Rice Corn	29 Chicken Patties Buns Pizza Oven Fries Cole Slaw Mixed Fruit

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<u>Offered Daily</u>	<u>Prices</u>
Milk (1/2 pt. 2% white/chocolate)	\$ .50
Breakfast (Elem/JH/HS)	FREE
Lunch (Elem/JH/HS)	Daily \$1.75 Weekly \$8.75

Peanut Butter/Jelly Sandwich  
Egg or Tuna Salad Sandwich  
Fresh Fruit

**THIS MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

# 2009/10 2ND MARKING PERIOD HONOR ROLL

## 7TH GRADE

ARIANNA AGUILAR  
 ELISABETH BOAZ  
 LOGAN BURDT  
 NICOLE COCHRAN  
 JOSEPH DANKO  
 LINDSEY EASHOO  
 MARICELLA GARZA  
 BREANNA GEYER  
 RAYCE JACOBS  
 CALLIE KAMIDOI  
 TAYLOR LILES  
 NICHOLAS LITTLE  
 HUNTER MICHALIK  
 KEGAN MORRISON  
 KELSEY NEWCOMB  
 JACOB NOYCE  
 KAYLIE PUGH  
 MAYA RISHMAWI  
 SAMUEL SAUNDERS  
 ALEX SIGOURNEY  
 BRIAH SPENCER  
 KAYLA TATE  
 TY THURLOW  
 MICAELA TROYER  
 ALEXIS VANCE  
 TORRI WILTFONG

## 10TH GRADE

JASMINE BAKER  
 DALLAS-ANNE BYRD  
 MELISSA CHRISTOPHER  
 MADISON CRAFT  
 TYE HOWARD  
 NICHOLE LITTLE  
 CHARLES OLIVER IV  
 KATHRYN POTTER  
 CAMERON SPENCER  
 COLLIN SPENCER  
 TOREY THURLOW  
 MORGAN WILSON  
 ERIC YAMBRICK

## 8TH GRADE

ASHLEY BURDT  
 SAVANNA COON  
 MATTHEW CORCHADO  
 RICHARD EDDY  
 ARIANA ELLER  
 LAURA FORCE  
 MARISAH FREEMAN  
 SARA HODGES  
 CHAZE JONES  
 TORI KING  
 OLIVIA KINNEY  
 MARY BETH KRUPA  
 BLAKE LITTLE  
 CODY LITTLE  
 LYDIA OBERMAN  
 BRANDON PARDEE  
 CELIA QUINTANILLA  
 MIKEL SAULTER  
 CALEB SHERMAN  
 BAILEY WAGER  
 SARA WALKER  
 SARAH WHERRY  
 DYLAN WILLIAMS

## 11TH GRADE

ZACHARY ALEXAN-  
 DER  
 HILLARY BACON  
 KRISTINA BECKER  
 DANIELLE EASHOO  
 REBECCA ETON  
 DANIELLE GIRODAT  
 SCOTT HOFFMAN  
 KELSI KING  
 ZACHARY LAKE  
 JACOB LEITELT  
 STEPHANIE  
 MCCLAIN  
 CALEB  
 QUINTANILLA  
 CODY SAPP  
 DEVIN SAPP  
 STACIE SCHEMPF  
 BROOKE STANTON  
 ERIC TOWER  
 PATRICK YAMBRICK

## 9TH GRADE

RAMZY ABUEITA  
 EMILY ADLE  
 CHELSEA BLOUGH  
 HAILEE BLOUGH  
 ERIC BOWEN  
 MARGUERITE CANTER-  
 BURY  
 NICHOLAS CHEMA  
 ARIONNA CHILDRESS-  
 COLLINS  
 NICHOLAS EVERSON  
 DAKOTA GERMAIN  
 TRAVIS GOSS  
 LAKEN HAMMON  
 SARA HARRINGTON  
 ESHTON HEWITT  
 TEKOA HEWITT  
 MAEGAN HOPPER  
 CODY JACOBS  
 STANISLAS LAURIN  
 MEGAN LOGAN  
 KAMERAN MILLER  
 JOSEPH NAGENGAST  
 TAYLOR NICELY  
 GABRIEL OUELLETTE  
 CALEB POTTER

## 9TH GRADE continued

JACOB ROBERTS  
 ANDREA SAUNDERS  
 CASSIDY SCHAUB  
 DANIELLE SHERMAN  
 ALEXIS TERRELL  
 EMILY TOROK  
 JUSTIN TURNER  
 MIKAYLA YBARRA

## 12TH GRADE

DAVID BECKER  
 NICHOLE BIESZK  
 KATRINA BLEVINS  
 BRICE BLOSSOM  
 BRANDON BLOUGH  
 GARRET COOK  
 NICOLLETTE COCHADO  
 CAMERON DEAN  
 AARON DRUMMOND  
 LEAH ENGLAND  
 JOHN HERON  
 REBECCA HICKMOTT  
 CATHERINE JAGGERS  
 THOMAS JEAN  
 KATELYN KING  
 SEAN KIRLEY  
 SHANE KISSANE  
 TRISTA LAKE  
 BETHANY LAURIN  
 SHA'NAYTA MCCLAIN  
 MIRANDA MILLER  
 ANDREW MINERD  
 ASHLEY MORRISON  
 JACOB NAGENGAST  
 MICHELLE NOYCE  
 TIFFANY NOYCE  
 CHELSEA PARKINSON  
 ZACHARY RENSBERRY  
 ASHLEY ROOT  
 BRIANNA SMITH  
 ANGEL STEPHENS  
 CHANTELL STEPHENS  
 KACIE WALKER



Genesee students work hard to make the honor roll.



**Genesee Athletics**  
**Winter Sports Schedule 2009-2010**  
*(Schedule subject to change)*

<u>DAY</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>OPPONENT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>GAME TIME</u>	<u>DEP TIME</u>
Mon	12/21	JV/Varsity Girls Basketball	Flint Northwestern	Away	5:30p	4:45p
TUE	12/22	JV/VAR BOYS BASKETBALL	MONTROSE	HOME	5:30p	
Tue	12/29	Varsity Girls Basketball	Scrimmage @ <i>Vassar</i>	Away	9:00a	8:00a
TUE	01/05	JV/VAR GIRLS BASKETBALL	WATERFORD OUR LADY OTL	HOME	5:30p	
Wed	01/06	Bowling	Durand ( <i>Nightingale Lanes</i> )	Away	6:00p	
Thur	01/07	JV/Varsity Girls Basketball	Atherton	Away	5:30p	4:30p
FRI	01/08	JV/VAR BOYS BASKETBALL	ATHERTON	HOME	5:30p	
Sat	01/09	Bowling	Lakeville ( <i>Colonial Lanes</i> )	Away	2:00p	
Mon	01/11	JV/Varsity Girls Basketball	Lake Fenton	Away	5:30p	4:15p
TUE	01/12	JV/VAR BOYS BASKETBALL	LAKE FENTON	HOME	5:30p	
Thur	01/14	JV/Varsity Girls Basketball	Bendle	Away	5:30p	4:30p
FRI	01/15	JV/VAR BOYS BASKETBALL	BENDLE	HOME	5:30p	
THUR	01/21	JV/VAR GIRLS BASKETBALL	LAKEVILLE	HOME	5:30p	
Fri	01/22	JV/Varsity Boys Basketball	Lakeville	Away	5:30p	4:30p
Sat	01/23	Bowling	Beecher ( <i>Town &amp; Country Lanes</i> )	Away	2:00p	
Mon	01/25	JV/Varsity Girls Basketball	Bentley	Away	5:30p	4:30p
TUE	01/26	JV/VAR BOYS BASKETBALL	BENTLEY	HOME	5:30p	
Thur	01/28	JV/Varsity Girls Basketball	New Lothrop	Away	5:30p	4:15p
FRI	01/29	JV/VAR BOYS BASKETBALL	NEW LOTHROP	HOME	5:30p	
Sat	01/30	Bowling	Mt. Morris ( <i>Durand Lanes</i> )	Away	2:00p	
Mon	02/01	JV Girls/Boys Basketball	Hamady	Away	5:30p	4:45p
TUE	02/02	VAR GIRLS/BOYS BSKTBALL	HAMADY	HOME	6:00p	
Thur	02/04	JV/Varsity Girls Basketball	Byron	Away	5:30p	4:15p
FRI	02/05	JV/VAR BOYS BASKETBALL	BYRON	HOME	5:30p	
Sat	02/06	Bowling	Goodrich ( <i>Galaxy Lanes</i> )	Away	2:00p	

**COMING ATTRACTIONS**

**JAN 5** Classes Resume K-12  
**14 & 15** Exams 7-12 Noon dismissal  
**14 & 15** 1-6 Early Dismissal 12:55 p.m.  
**14 & 15** a.m. Kindergarten 8:05 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.  
**14 & 15** p.m. Kindergarten 10:15 - 12:55 p.m.  
**19** FASFA Workshop 6 p.m. Library  
**FEB 12 & 15** No School Mid-Winter Break

**GENESEE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING - PUBLIC MEETING - SCHOOL FUNDING**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009**

- ~ The meeting was called to order by President Gary Galbraith at 7:02 pm. Trustee Brian Simons was absent; all other Board members were present. Fourteen (14) guests also attended the meeting.
- ~ All in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and the District Vision Statement.
- ~ The purpose of this meeting was to explain the current funding crisis for schools in Michigan, how this crisis will impact the Genesee School District and what (as citizens) we can do about it.

Audience members were encouraged to participate in a question/answer session at the end of the meeting.

- ~ Through a Power Point presentation, Superintendent Rohrer addressed our district goals, the drastic change in the economic climate in our area due to the reduction of the auto industry and the decrease in State aid funding to school districts. He outlined changes/consolidation of services that have been implemented over the past few years to reduce costs.
- ~ He also noted the increased expectations of the federal government regarding Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) while schools face budget reductions. In addition, there has been a significant reduction in stimulus and State aid funds designated to schools (March 2009) that will directly affect the current and next year's budget.
- ~ Superintendent Rohrer discussed our district becoming an open Schools of Choice district.
- ~ In our attempt to maintain a stable foundation for our schools, Superintendent Rohrer asks parents to contact our legislators and request them to find a new strategy to provide funding for education. He encourages contact through letters, emails and petitions to support changes in education. Contact information for legislators was distributed to all in attendance.
- ~ Discussion was held in response to questions from the audience.
- ~ Motion by Fred Hinz, supported by Eladio Quintanilla...to adjourn at 8:09 pm. Motion carried.

**GENESEE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BOARD POLICY DEVELOPMENT MEETING  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2009**

- ~ The meeting was called to order by President Gary Galbraith at 6:05 pm. Board members Brian Simons, Fred Hinz and Dan Eashoo were absent; all other Board members, Superintendent Rohrer and NEOLA Representative Wayne Peters attended the meeting.
- ~ President Galbraith opened the floor for public comment; there was none.
- ~ Board of Education Policies were reviewed and discussed in the 6000 Group (Finance).
- ~ The next meeting for Policy Development has been scheduled for Tuesday, December 15 at 6:00 pm in the conference room of the Office of the Superintendent.
- ~ Policies in the 7000 Group (Property) will be reviewed at that time.
- ~ The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 pm.

**GENESEE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2009**

- ~ The meeting was called to order by President Gary Galbraith at 7:00 pm. Trustee Wayne Blossom was absent; all other Board members were present. Superintendent Jeff Rohrer, Principals Richard Carsten and Joseph Perrera, Special Services Coordinator Kelly Davis, Technology/Media Director LaRene Klink and approximately twenty (20) guests attended the meeting.
- ~ All in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and the District Vision Statement.
- ~ Motion by Dan Eashoo, supported by Fred Hinz...to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.
- ~ Motion by Dan Eashoo, supported by Roger Haas...to approve the October 2009 treasurer report. Motion carried.

**PRESENTATIONS**

- ~ Secondary Principal Richard Carsten introduced Senior Thomas Jean and Underclassman Devin Sapp as Students of the Month for September.
- ~ People to People Ambassador Programs offer opportunities for students to bridge cultural borders through education and exchange. Elementary Principal Joseph Perrera presented Cecily Powell (grade 6) student who spent seven days last Spring in Washington DC representing our school in this valuable program. Seventh grader Tori Wiltfong, who will travel to France, Italy and Greece on a 20-day tour during the summer of 2010, expressed her pleasure in being chosen as a People to People Ambassador.

President Galbraith opened the floor for public comment. Several parents/students questioned the events leading up to the change in the backpack policy. Discussion was held. More information will be presented later in the meeting.

**ACTION ITEM**

- ~ Motion by Roger Haas, supported by Fred Hinz...to move the start time of the December 16 regular business meeting to 6:00 pm due to the Band and Choir concert that evening. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- ~ Discussion was held regarding the Michigan Department of Education Guidelines for Service Consolidation. The guidelines promote a collaborative planning process for cost-sharing arrangements for school districts. This plan will be presented for action at the December regular business meeting.
- ~ Superintendent Rohrer will present an amended budget at the December 16 regular business meeting. Discussion was held.
- ~ Discussion continued regarding the pros and cons of district participation in an open Schools of Choice program. More information will be presented at the next regular business meeting.
- ~ To cut costs, Superintendent Rohrer reported hours for the Athletic Director will be reduced during the winter and spring sports seasons. Weekend tournaments have been eliminated; the exception being tournaments that are related to league competition or supported by a fundraiser.
- ~ Secondary Principal Richard Carsten presented pros and cons of the implementation of the recent changes in the backpack policy. A Public Meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, November 24 @ 6:00 pm to address this issue.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

- ~ Superintendent Rohrer reported State legislators are still working on the budget with no updates regarding education. He will bring updated information to the next regular business meeting.
- ~ The flu season (seasonal and H1N1) has resulted in only a minimal decrease in student attendance. We continue to monitor absenteeism due to illness.
- ~ As part of the district Strategic Plan, Genesee Promise committee members continue to develop a scholarship plan for Genesee graduates. The group will recommend a Committee of the Board monitor this plan with monies being managed by the Community Foundation. Completion of this plan is on target for the beginning of 2010. Updated information will be presented at the December regular business meeting.
- ~ Superintendent Rohrer, district Principals, an elementary teacher and one from the secondary level recently attended a workshop presented by Dr Robert Marzano. "Getting Serious about School Reform" addresses critical interventions that can dramatically enhance the systemic effectiveness of schools.
- ~ President Galbraith opened the floor for public comment.
- ~ Several parents/students again voiced their concerns in reference to backpacks, off campus privileges, bomb threats and budget cuts to programs. Discussion was held.
- ~ Motion by Roger Haas, supported by Fred Hinz...to pay the bills. Motion carried.
- ~ At the recent MASB Fall Conference, Fred Hinz reported he attended (2) CBA classes. One class concentrated on the Community School concept and how this relates to our district. The other class focused on progress markers in relationship to the MEAP or other benchmarks.
- ~ Motion by Dan Eashoo, supported by Fred Hinz...to adjourn at 8:25 pm. Motion carried.

All Board Meeting minutes are posted @ [geneseeschools.org](http://geneseeschools.org)

## December Students of the Month

The December Senior of the Month is Sean Kirley. He is the son of Kelly and Peter Kirley. Sean played on the GAC Champion varsity football team, participates in powerlifting and will run track in the spring. Sean is a member of



**December Senior of the Month  
Sean Kirley**



**December Student of the Month  
Torey Thurlow**

the son of Theresea and Todd Thurlow. Torey ran on the Cross Country team. He is on the J.V. basketball team, and he plans to run track in the spring. He is a member of the Science Olympiad team and Quiz Bowl. He plays the clarinet in the marching band, concert

the National Honor Society. After graduating from high school, Sean will attend Central Michigan University or

Alma College to major in physical therapy and minor in sports medicine.

The Underclassman of the Month is sophomore Torey Thurlow. He is

band, and jazz band, and he also participates in solo/ensemble festival.

**Congratulations to our students of the month!**

## Junior/Senior High School Exam Schedule

First semester exams will be given to grades 7-12 on January 14 and 15, 2010. The exam schedule is as follows:

### January 14

7:40 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. 6<sup>th</sup> hour  
9:10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. 5<sup>th</sup> hour  
10:40 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 4<sup>th</sup> hour

### January 15

7:40 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. 3<sup>rd</sup> hour  
9:10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> hour  
10:40 a.m. - 12:00 pm 1<sup>st</sup> hour

*\* Students with an academic class 7<sup>th</sup> hour will take their exams during 7<sup>th</sup>*

*hour on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 12 and 13 respectively.*

Students will be dismissed at noon on Thursday, January 14, and Friday, January 15. Bus transportation will be provided.

## Senior Pictures

A reminder from the yearbook staff!

Because the senior pages of the yearbook are to be uniform and of a traditional nature, please keep the following specification in mind: traditional pose, head & shoulder shot only, head size 1.25" from top of head to chin, light blue or gray background. A typical wallet size will do for submission. The following are not acceptable for submission: environmental or athletic shots,

poses with hand, hats or props, pictures with backgrounds or multiple colors or designs, hazy pictures, more than one exposure, black or very dark backgrounds, or all white backgrounds. If you are not purchasing a senior package, Hicks Studio will shoot a yearbook setting for a nominal charge. Senior Pictures are due to Mrs. Schoener by Jan. 15, 2010.

## SKI CLUB



Get out of the house and have some fun this winter. Join the ski/snowboard

club for \$15 and purchase a lift ticket for only \$15 at Mt. Holly. Everyone can join! See Mr. O'Brien in the elementary gym for more details and to purchase your pass.

## DECEMBER JH CHAMPS

Congratulations to Alexis Vance and Nick Little from the seventh grade, and Ashley Burdt and Phillip Jones from the eighth grade. They have been selected by the faculty as Junior High Champions for December. These students were selected on their academic standing, involvement in school activities and positive attitudes. We are proud of our champions and their efforts during this school year.