

GROVEPORT MADISON SCHOOLS

BACK TO SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the 2023-2024 School Year!



LOOK INSIDE!

School starts on Aug. 16!
Find the information you
need to be prepared for
the new school year.



A Message from the Superintendent, Jamie Grube



Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year!

If there's one thing I've learned about my time in Groveport Madison Schools, it's that we're never content with where we are; we're always looking to improve and to make life better for our students and their families.

We have several new initiatives underway or planned for the upcoming school year, including:

PORTRAIT OF A CRUISER

A portrait of a Cruiser represents a school district's and community's vision for the 21st-century skills, character traits, and social-emotional competencies that students need to succeed in college, career, and life. This fall, we will begin engaging the school district and the broader community – educators, students, parents, elected officials, community members, and business leaders – in building a unifying, collective vision for our students.

CAREER, COLLEGE, AND POST-SECONDARY READINESS

Work will continue to ensure that all Groveport Madison High School students are prepared for a career, college, or military service following graduation by earning industry credentials, completing college courses and/or advanced placement courses. Students will have the opportunity to participate in internships, apprenticeships, and service-learning activities.

ENHANCING SCHOOL SAFETY FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF

The safety of our students and staff is our highest priority. We adopted a comprehensive safety plan last spring, and we've already begun working on several aspects of the plan, including installing weapons detection systems at the high school, hiring additional security staff, creating more secure entrances to our schools, etc. You can find our complete safety plan at gocruisers.org/SafetySecurity.aspx.

CRUISER ACCEL PROGRAM

Using some of our federal stimulus funds, we recently purchased the former AEP building immediately across the street from the high school. There, we will locate a new program to provide an alternative pathway to college and career readiness for up to 200 GMHS students. You can find a brief program description on page 10 or on our website at gocruisers.org/CruiserAccel.aspx.

NEW SCHOOL-BASED HEALTHCARE CENTER OPENS

Recognizing healthcare's significant impact on a child's overall well-being and academic achievement, we've partnered with PrimaryOne Health to open the first school-based health center in central Ohio.

Located at the rear of the District Service Center (DSC), the center provides comprehensive health services, vision and dental services, health screenings, routine physical exams, sports and work physicals, immunizations and vaccinations, and routine lab tests. They'll also have behavioral health services for students and families.

The facility is open to students, staff, families, and the entire Groveport Madison community. Go to primaryonehealth.org to learn more or make an appointment.

Be sure to check out the 2023 Back-to-School page of our GoCruisers website to keep up to date with everything related to our return to school.

We'll see you in a few weeks!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jamie Grube". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jamie" and last name "Grube" clearly legible.

Groveport Madison Schools Board of Education

The Groveport Madison School District has a five-member Board of Education (BOE). These locally-elected officials represent the interests of the Groveport Madison community - and fulfill their roles under Ohio law - by establishing educational policies, hiring and providing oversight of the District's Superintendent and Treasurer, and establishing the overall goals and objectives for the District's two appointed leaders.

Regular meetings of the BOE are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at the District Service Center (administrative offices), located at 4400 Marketing Place, Suite B, Groveport, OH 43125. Visit our website at www.gocruisers.org/BoardofEducation.aspx for more information about our BOE.



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LaToya Dowdell-Burger*



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*BOE Member,
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*BOE Member,
Chris Snyder*



*BOE Member,
Kathleen Walsh*

OUR BELIEF STATEMENT

*We believe all Cruisers are valuable. We will unconditionally **SERVE, SUPPORT, and INSPIRE**. Therefore, every Cruiser will maximize their unique **PURPOSE, POTENTIAL, and POWER** to produce the results they want.*

Start and Dismissal Times

BUILDING	TARDY BELL	RELEASE BELL	TWO-HOUR EARLY-RELEASE
Lil' Cruiser Campus Pre-K AM Class Pre-K PM Class	9:00 AM 1:00 PM	11:30 AM 3:30 PM	N/A
Asbury ES Dunloe ES Glendening ES Groveport ES Madison ES Sedalia ES	9:15 AM	3:40 PM	1:40 PM
MS Central MS North MS South	8:15 AM	2:40 PM	12:40 PM
High School	7:15 AM	1:45 PM	11:45 AM

District Food Services

NUTRITIOUS MEALS HELP CHILDREN SUCCEED

Children who eat a nutritious breakfast and lunch daily frequently perform better and are less distracted in school. Eating a daily school-provided breakfast and lunch is critical to student health and well-being and ensures students have the nutrition they need



throughout the day to learn. Research shows that eating school-provided breakfast and lunch reduces food insecurity, obesity, and poor health.

Our breakfasts and lunches are prepared from chef-developed recipes and include a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables.

All meals meet or exceed USDA guidelines and help children grow into healthy adults.

FREE BREAKFAST AVAILABLE FOR ALL STUDENTS

Groveport Madison Schools provides free breakfast for all students regardless of their family's income. Breakfast is served right in the student's classroom. No application is needed.

APPLY FOR FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH

Many families in Groveport Madison Schools qualify for their children to receive free or reduced-price lunches through the National School Lunch Program, which is sponsored by the US Department of Agriculture. Qualified students can receive free or reduced-price lunch daily, and applications may be made at any time of the year as circumstances dictate.

Complete an online application through your PaySchools Account. The information provided is confidential and only used to determine eligibility for the Federal Lunch Program.

The online application is available in early July on the District's website at gocruisers.org/FreeorReducedLunch.aspx.

LUNCH MENUS AND NUTRITION INFORMATION

Check out school menus and get information about meal serving sizes, carbohydrate counts, and allergy information at Groveport.Nutrislice.com or download the Nutrislice! App from Google Play and the App Store.

Before and After School Childcare

The District's Extended Day Program (EDP) provides before and after school childcare programming for children who attend Groveport Madison Schools. Children in kindergarten through fifth grade can participate in the program, which operates from 7 AM until school starts, and after school, until 6 PM.

The EDP curriculum encourages physical, social, emotional, and intellectual growth and positive feelings of self-worth. The program, which operates with an adult-to-child ratio of 1 to 18, offers age-appropriate games, crafts, activities, and special events. Children work on homework, enjoy planned activities, and have free time to play outside. A healthy afternoon snack is also provided.

Transportation is provided to and from the program's location to the school the student attends. The fee to register one child for morning and afternoon care begins at \$350.00 per month. A complete fee schedule is available at gocruisers.org/ExtendedDayProgramEDP.aspx.

Registration packets are available at any Groveport Madison elementary school or by downloading from the EDP website at gocruisers.org/ExtendedDayProgramEDP.aspx.



Kindergarten Assessments and Staggered Start Schedule

KINDERGARTEN ASSESSMENT APPOINTMENTS

Before the start of school, all kindergarteners will participate in an informal assessment. This assessment helps our teachers become acquainted with each kindergartener’s abilities and needs and allows us to determine classroom placement and whether any other services may be necessary to ensure the child’s success.

By Fri., Aug. 4, each child’s school will notify parents of the date their kindergartener will participate in the assessment. We will be scheduling appointments on Aug. 16, 17, or 18. Only the students will attend during their scheduled appointment time.

KINDERGARTEN STAGGERED-START DAYS

To create a smooth start to the school year, we have staggered the start for all kindergarten students, with half of the students attending one day and the other half attending the second day. Please note the following schedule:

DATE	WHO ATTENDS	NOTE
Aug. 21	Kindergartners with last names beginning with A-L will attend school all day.	Kindergartners with last names beginning with M-Z DO NOT attend.
Aug. 22	Kindergartners with last names beginning with M-Z will attend school all day.	Kindergartners with last names beginning with A-L DO NOT attend.
Aug. 23	First day for ALL kindergartners.	All kindergartners attend school for the full-day schedule.

Should you have questions, don’t hesitate to get in touch with your child’s school.

School Schedule for Grades 1-12

STAGGERED START SCHEDULE

To make the transition to the new school year as smooth as possible, the District will use a staggered-start schedule for different grade levels. Please note the following:

WED., AUG. 16 – FIRST DAY AND ORIENTATION SCHEDULES (GRADES 1-6 AND FRESHMEN)

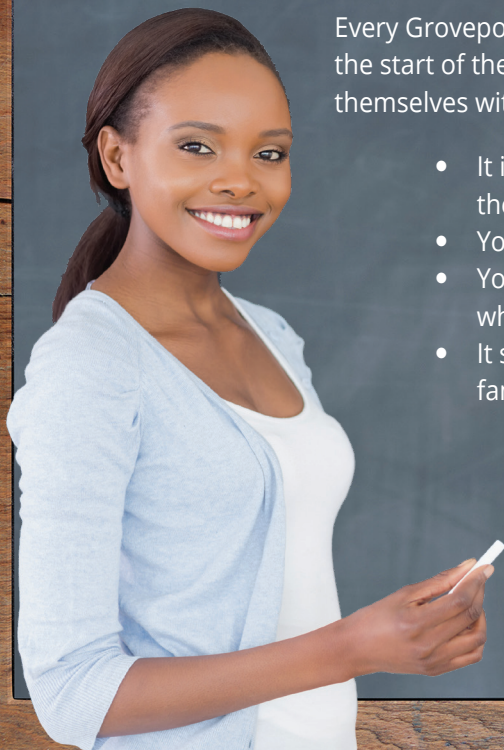
All first through sixth graders and ninth graders (freshmen) will report on their regular schedule for orientation. Not reporting: kindergarten, seventh, eighth, tenth, eleventh, and twelfth graders.

THURS., AUG. 17 – FIRST THROUGH TWELFTH GRADES REPORT

All first through twelfth graders will report on their regular schedule. Not reporting: Kindergarten (see Kindergarten Staggered Start Schedule above).



Get Off to a Great Start by Attending Your School's Open House!



Every Groveport Madison school hosts an open house/welcome night before the start of the school year. Open houses help parents and students familiarize themselves with their school and meet our teachers and principals.

- It is an opportunity to meet your child's teacher(s) and learn about their expectations for each student.
- You can ask questions about your child's education.
- You can see what resources and equipment your child has access to while at school.
- It sends a message to your child that school is essential and that your family values their education.

OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE:

Groveport Madison H.S. – Mon., Aug. 14, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Middle Schools – Mon., Aug. 14, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Elementary Schools – Tue., Aug. 15, 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Kindergarten Parent Meetings – Contact school for time

Track Your Child's Assignments and Grades with ProgressBook

Keep up with your child's assignments, grades, and test results through ProgressBook. ProgressBook is a secure, online portal that tracks your child's classroom assignments, grades, attendance, and assessment results, providing parents with a very good picture of their child's overall academic performance. You will find all grade card information within ProgressBook; we no longer send grade cards home with students nor mail them to families.

Find the ProgressBook login screen at pa.metasolutions.net (select Groveport Madison). A link for "ProgressBook Login" also can be found on the District's website at GoCruisers.org under the Parents & Students dropdown menu.



Find My School App Now Available for the 2023-2024 School Year

WHICH SCHOOL IS MY CHILD ASSIGNED TO ATTEND?

We've made finding your neighborhood school of residence as easy as possible. All you need is the student's grade level and the home or apartment address in question. Just go to gocruisers.org/FindMySchool.aspx to get your child's assigned school. If you have other questions, call our Welcome Center at 614-491-8288.

If you plan to enroll your child in Groveport Madison Schools, visit gocruisers.org/Enrollment.aspx to access our SpeedyStart online enrollment system.

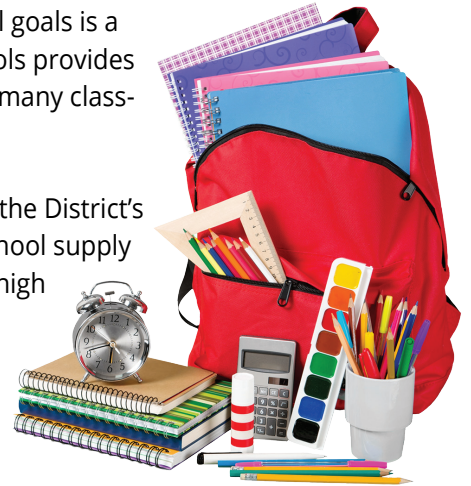


School Supply Lists

SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Having the necessary supplies and materials for students to meet their educational goals is a partnership between the school district and our families. Groveport Madison Schools provides our schools with most of the essential materials and supplies they need; however, many class- and teacher-specific supplies are also required from families.

School supply lists for each of our elementary and middle schools are available on the District's website at gocruisers.org/backtoschool2023.aspx. We do not publish traditional school supply lists at the high school level because of the array of courses available. Instead, the high school's teachers will inform their students of any supplies or materials needed for specific classes once students arrive.



GROVEPORT MADISON HUMAN NEEDS SCHOOL SUPPLY DISTRIBUTION

Many generous individuals and organizations in our community donate school supplies to Groveport Madison Human Needs, which, in turn, helps our local families.

Basic school supplies will be available to Groveport Madison students from 1–3 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 6. The Groveport Madison Human Needs school supply distribution will occur at Middle School North, 5474 Sedalia Dr., Columbus. For entry, proof of residency (a driver's license or current utility bill) demonstrating you live within the school district is required.

Special Needs Pre-K Program Offered at Lil' Cruiser Campus

The District's special needs Pre-Kindergarten (Pre-K) and peer model program is located at the Lil' Cruiser Campus, adjacent to the District Service Center.

The program provides early intervention services for children ages 3-5 diagnosed with special needs in one of the following developmental areas: language, cognition, motor skills, adaptive behavior, or social-emotional development.

PEER MODELS

A limited number of non-disabled children serve as peer models to their special needs classmates by providing examples of appropriate behavior, social skills, and language/communication skills. Peer models must be four years old, potty trained, and screened for eligibility.

The program operates in two half-day sessions, the morning session from 9:00 – 11:30 AM and the afternoon session from 1:00 – 3:30 PM. School bus transportation is available for all special needs students.

The Pre-K staff will contact families with their child's start date and schedule.



SCHOOL SAFETY

New Safety Measures for the 2023-2024 School Year

Work continues to implement the strategies outlined in the District's Safety Plan, including:

- **WEAPONS DETECTION SYSTEMS** – The Board approved the purchase of six weapons detection systems from evolv®. Five units will be installed at GMHS, and one will be located at the new Cruiser Accel location. All six units will be in place for the start of the next school year.
- **VISITOR MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS** – The District already has begun installing SCHOOL SAFE ID systems in all schools. As visitors enter the building, they will be required to scan their driver's license or state-issued I.D. card. The system completes a quick background check and will issue a self-adhesive visitor badge for guests who are approved to enter the building.
- **SAFER ENTRIES** – Construction began this summer to create safer entries into our elementary and middle school buildings. The entries will create a secure location to greet a visitor before they enter the school.
- **ADDITIONAL SOCIAL WORKERS** – The District plans to add more social workers (two at the high school and one each at the three middle schools) for the 2023-2024 school year.
- **ADDITIONAL SAFETY AND SECURITY STAFF** – We intend to add five more security staff members to assist with weapon detectors and to assist at the elementary schools.
- **SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS** – The District currently has two officers (one from Madison Township and one from the City of Groveport). We are working with the two police departments to add one more SRO from each jurisdiction.

You can view the District's comprehensive safety plan at gocruisers.org/SafetySecurity.aspx.

Reporting Concerns or Threats

The safety of our students and staff is always our top priority. Our staff works hard to forge trusting relationships with our students. One of the many benefits of those relationships is that students feel comfortable reporting their concerns to an adult at their school. These relationships have helped us address issues before anyone might be harmed and diffuse and debunk rumors. While we always encourage students to make us aware of any concerns, the State of Ohio also has an anonymous tip line that can be used to report potential issues.

SAFER SCHOOLS OHIO TIP LINE

If you have a concern you need to report regarding school or student safety, and you're unable to get in contact with one of our staff members, you can contact the Safer Schools Ohio network. The Safer Schools Ohio tip line is operated through the Ohio Department of Public Safety and the Ohio Department of Education, accepting tips 24-hours a day. Calls or texts to 844-SaferOH (844-723-3764) are answered by analysts in the Ohio Homeland Security's Threat Assessment and Prevention (TAP) Unit. When action is needed, the TAP Unit immediately forwards information to the school district and local law enforcement agencies. The District and local law enforcement officials will work together to investigate the report and ensure that it is resolved. The TAP Unit also follows up with both entities to confirm the report has been investigated and appropriate actions have been taken.



Emergency Response Levels and Their Definitions

Over the years, many terms have been used to describe the status of our schools during an emergency. We think it's essential that our students, staff, parents, and community understand the current terminology we are using to respond to various situations. Please note the following:

STAY PUT: (Movement is restricted within the building due to an unexpected event)

Classrooms are locked and secured, and access to the school is restricted. Students remain inside their classrooms, and all students must be accounted for.

Example: A "Stay Put" status may be implemented in the event of a disturbance, an individual requiring medical attention, or an urgent maintenance issue needing to be addressed. There could also be a Stay Put order in place if a threat is being investigated, such as if the school and first responders were evaluating a social media threat.

SECURED PERIMETER: (Movement is restricted outside the building due to a potential safety concern)

Exterior doors are locked, and access to the school is restricted. Regular school day activities will continue inside the building, but activities outside the building are not permitted. Until the school is advised by Law Enforcement, no one may leave or enter the building while a Secured Perimeter is in effect.

Example: A "Secure Perimeter" order may be implemented in the event of a suspicious person in the neighborhood or by order of law enforcement officials.

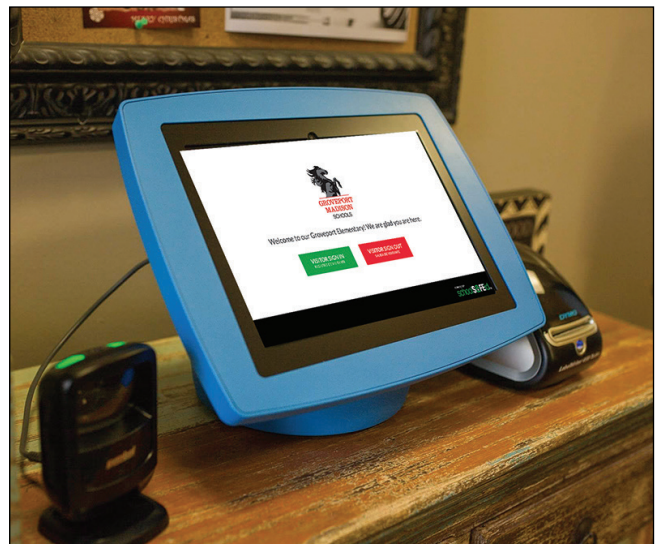
LOCKDOWN: (There is a risk of imminent life-threatening danger)

Classrooms are locked and secured, and access to the school is restricted. Classrooms must take appropriate actions based on the situation (including rapid evacuation, barricade, etc.). We only use the term, "Lockdown," when there is a direct threat to the people inside the building.

SHELTER IN PLACE: (Movement is restricted within the building)

Move all students and staff inside the building to a secured area.

Example: A "Shelter in Place" order may be implemented during a severe weather incident, chemical spill, or crash scene near the school.



Updating Your Email and Contact Information

UPDATE YOUR EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Your child's safety is our top concern. Please ensure we have the most up-to-date contact information (phone numbers, email addresses, etc.) for you and any other adults in your household. None of us can know when there may be an emergency school closure, a sudden illness, or even an unexpected injury. When we have accurate contact information, we can quickly notify you of any issues relating to your child.

You can update your contact information as often as needed through your FinalForms account. Simply go to gocruisers.org/FinalForms.aspx to sign in to your account and make the changes.

"YOU JUST CALLED ME"

During the daytime, we try only to call parents when it's something urgent or an emergency. If you receive a call or text from your child's school or the school district during school hours, please take the call or listen to the message before using caller I.D. to call us back.

If we're calling about an emergency, we're busy ensuring students are safe, so it's nearly impossible to respond to hundreds of incoming calls when family members aren't taking our incoming calls or listening to our messages.



New SchoolCare App to Improve Communication with Nurses

Keeping you informed of your child's health while they're at school is very important to us. Groveport Madison Schools uses the SchoolCare app to improve communication between our school nurses and students' parents/guardians. When using the free SchoolCare app, parents will receive immediate alerts when their child visits the school nurse, medication is running low, or when immunization deadlines are approaching.

Each August, parents will receive an email to either register for the app or to update their student's information in the SchoolCare system.

Student health records remain secure and strictly adhere to privacy protections under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).



New Building to House Cruiser Accel and Transportation Center

Using Federal Stimulus Funds (ESSER Funds), the District purchased the former AEP Dispatching Center at 4500 S. Hamilton Rd. to house our new Cruiser Accel Program and the new transportation center.

Cruiser Accel will provide an alternative pathway to college and career readiness for GMHS sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Up to 200 GMHS students will take in-person and online classes in half-day sessions, Monday through Friday.

Cruiser Accel will provide more focused support to students, specifically in the areas of literacy, numeracy, and test preparation. We will also offer intensive social/emotional support, helping students who are struggling with anxiety and/or anger management issues.

A portion of the new building will also serve as the District's new transportation center. Work on the transportation center and bus garage will begin shortly, with an anticipated move in the summer of 2024.

District Communications Resources Keep Parents Connected

Staying involved in your child's education is critical to their success. That's why Groveport Madison Schools is working hard to provide various ways for you to get information about the school district and your child's school.

The District's website, GoCruisers.org, is loaded with information to help keep you connected. Find your child's assigned school and bus route, monthly lunch menus, and school- and district-wide events and celebrations by making gocruisers.org one of your "favorite" websites.

Like us on Facebook @GoCruisers, follow us on Twitter @GMSchools and Instagram @gmschools to check out photos and get the latest news. We also have a YouTube channel, @GroveportMadisonSchoolsCruisers.



Immunization Requirements for 2023-2024 School Year



IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Part of the mission of the Ohio Department of Health (ODOH) is to ensure that all Ohio schools provide safe and healthy environments for students and staff alike. The State of Ohio dictates the immunization requirements for entrance into public schools, including Groveport Madison Schools. A list of immunizations is available at gocruisers.org/healthandsafety.aspx or odh.ohio.gov/immunization. Contact your child's healthcare provider to ensure their vaccinations are up to date.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR INCOMING 7TH AND 12TH GRADERS

A booster dose of the Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis) and MCV4 (Meningococcal) vaccine is required before entry into the seventh grade and incoming twelfth graders must have a second dose of the MCV4 (Meningococcal) vaccine before returning to school. If your child has not had these immunizations, please contact your

healthcare provider or the Franklin County Public Health Department right away. Don't wait until the last minute; schedule your child to get these vaccinations.

Please contact your healthcare provider, PrimaryOne Health school-based health center, or the school nurse with questions or concerns.

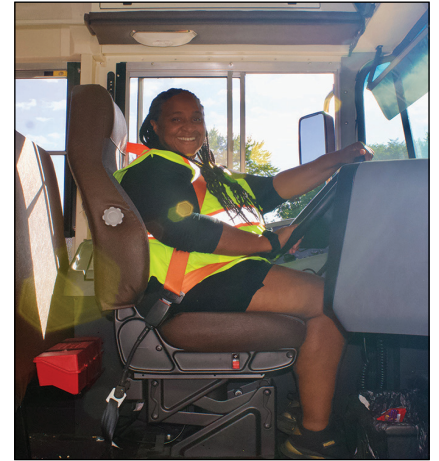
FRANKLIN CO. PUBLIC HEALTH IMMUNIZATION CLINICS

FCPH offers immunization clinics (by appointment only) at their 280 East Broad Street (Columbus) location. Clinics are held at various times and locations. To make an appointment, please call (614) 525-3719. More information is available at myfcph.org/health-wellness/shots/.

District Transportation Services

Per Board of Education Policy and Ohio Law, Groveport Madison Schools provides bus service to students living one mile or more from their assigned school. Exceptions to these limits may be made in the case of a temporarily or permanently disabled child, as determined by a physician (and is required by the student's IEP), and in the case of adverse safety conditions. The District assigns centrally located regional bus stops to provide the most convenient access to the highest number of students on each bus route.

Community Bus Services, Inc. (CBS) provides transportation services for Groveport Madison Schools. They are committed to providing our students with safe, on-time, and friendly transportation services to and from school daily. For information about CBS, visit their website at com-bus.com.



BUS ROUTE INFORMATION

Updated bus route information will be available on our website at gocruisers.org/busroutes.aspx on Friday, July 28. Routing information is updated frequently during the first few weeks of the school year due to new enrollments and other changes. Be sure to check back from time to time for the most up-to-date information.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

- During the first few weeks of school, bus routes are subject to change due to late enrollments and verification of riders, so buses will likely run late.
- Students can be picked up only from or dropped off at their assigned bus stop location unless you have made advance arrangements with transportation.
- Parents wanting another pick-up or drop-off location due to childcare needs should contact transportation services at 614-836-4788, or email SchoolBus@GoCruisers.org.
- No bus stop change requests will be considered until after September 5 so that routes can be stabilized, and transportation can determine if additional route modifications are necessary.

Join Us for Groveport School's 100-Year Celebration!



For the 1924 school year, the community celebrated the opening of its long-awaited new school, the "Groveport School." Housing all 12 grades, the three-story brick building replaced six one-room schoolhouses across the school district, with additional space remaining for expected enrollment growth throughout the township.

On Saturday, Aug. 5, from 12:30 – 3:00 PM, we invite you to join us for the 100-year celebration of the building. There will be historical displays, a slide show, and a brief program that will take place at 1:00 PM in the school's auditorium. Commemorative T-shirts will also be available for purchase.

To share photo memories of Groveport School or for more information, contact Groveport ES principal April Bray at april.bray@gocruisers.org, or visit our GoCruisers website.



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Get Your Smile On – Share Your First-Day Selfies!



We all know parents want pictures of their kids on the first day of school – we do too! Get your child's photo as they're heading off to school and post it on our Facebook page @GroveportMadisonSchools. You can tag us on Twitter (@GMSchools) or Instagram (@GMSchools) and add the hashtag #CruisersFirstDay.

We will do our best to share and repost the pictures on our social media sites as we celebrate the return to school for the 2023-2024 school year.

Have a great first day of school - and Go Cruisers!



2023-2024 DISTRICT CALENDAR



First and Last Days for Students

No School

End of Grading Period

Two-Hour Early Dismissal

Interim Reports Sent Home/
Posted on ProgressBook

August 23						
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May 24						
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Date	Event or Holiday
8/10 - 8/15	New Cruiser Orientation
8/16	All Teachers Report
8/17	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL (Grades 1 - 6, & 9)
8/17	ALL STUDENTS REPORT (Grades 1 - 12)
9/4	NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
9/20	Interim Reports Mailed/Posted in ProgressBook
10/11	End of 1st Grading Period
10/12	NO SCHOOL - Teacher Release Day/Fall Break
10/13	NO SCHOOL - Fall Break
10/16	NO SCHOOL - PD Day for Staff
11/10	NO SCHOOL - Veterans Day
11/17	Interim Reports Mailed/Posted in ProgressBook
11/21	Students Dismiss Two Hours Early
11/22 - 11/24	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break
12/15	End of 2nd Grading Period
12/15	Students Dismiss Two Hours Early
12/18 - 1/1	NO SCHOOL - Winter Break
1/2	NO SCHOOL - PD Day for Staff
1/3	Classes Resume from Winter Break
1/15	NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day
2/2	Interim Reports Mailed/Posted in ProgressBook
2/19	NO SCHOOL - Presidents Day
2/20	NO SCHOOL - Teacher Release Day
3/12	End of 3rd Grading Period
3/13	NO SCHOOL - PD Day for Staff
3/28	Students Dismiss Two Hours Early
3/29 - 4/5	NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
4/26	Interim Reports Mailed/Posted in ProgressBook
5/27	NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
5/30	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
5/31	Teacher Work Day
TBD	GMHS Graduation
Within the calendar there are two Parent/Teacher Conference Days, to be announced by each school.	



Athletic Schedules, Game Times, and Ticket Information

SUPPORT OUR CRUISERS!

Wear your red and black and come cheer on your Cruisers! You won't want to miss an opportunity to support our athletes, cheerleaders, and marching band this year. Our students work exceptionally hard, and they get energized seeing and hearing a big crowd cheer for them.

ATHLETIC SCHEDULES

Get 2023-2024 athletic schedules for all sports at arbiterlive.com; search for Groveport Madison Schools and the sport you're looking for.

TICKET PRICES

The Ohio Capital Conference (OCC) has set all ticket prices at \$7 for adults and students for all high school sports (Varsity, Junior Varsity, and Freshmen). If no Varsity game is involved (such as a Saturday morning JV or Freshman football game), tickets are \$5 each. Middle school athletic event tickets are \$5 each for all adult and student participants. **Tickets are available online at gocruisers.org/PurchaseTickets.aspx. HomeTown Ticketing charges a \$1.25 processing fee. You may also purchase tickets with cash at the entry gates for home or away games.**



BECOME A GOLDEN CRUISER CLUB MEMBER AND GET IN FREE!

If you are a Groveport Madison Schools resident aged 60 or older, you can attend all regular-season school- and District-sponsored events at no charge through membership in the Golden Cruiser Club. Get your free membership application online at gocruisers.org/GoldenCruiserClub.aspx. Paper copies of the application also are available in any school building or by calling our Communications Office at 614-492-2520.

PrimaryOne Health School-Based Health Center Open for Business

Located at the rear of the District Service Center, the community's newest healthcare provider is now open for business to serve students, District staff, and area families.

PrimaryOne Health will provide comprehensive health services, eye exams and vision care, dental services, health screenings, routine physical exams, sports and work physicals, immunizations and vaccinations, and routine lab tests.

It will be open Monday through Friday, from 8 AM – 5 PM. In addition to most insurance plans, they accept PrimaryOne Health Private Insurance, Medicare, and Medicaid. A sliding fee scale is also available for those who do not have insurance. For more information, go to primaryonehealth.org.



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IMPORTANT BACK TO SCHOOL INFORMATION ENCLOSED

School Starts on Wednesday, August 16!

ARE YOU NEW TO THE DISTRICT? ENROLL NOW USING SPEEDYSTART!

Our "SpeedyStart" online registration system makes enrolling your child for school quick and easy. You can complete the registration process from the comfort of your computer! It's as easy as three simple steps, 1) Log in to SpeedyStart, 2) fill in the required information, and 3) upload the required documents. To get started, visit gocruisers.org/enrollment.aspx.



You can find a complete list of documents needed to register your child at gocruisers.org/enrollment.aspx (Required Documents Checklist).

DON'T WAIT. ENROLL NOW!

Early enrollment helps to ensure a smooth start to school for your child. When you register your child early, we can provide you with their school assignment, get bus routes set up (where applicable), and give you all the information you will need to be ready for the start of the school year. It also provides us with your contact information to inform you of significant changes or updates in the weeks before school starts.

HAVE YOU RECENTLY MOVED?

Even if your child is currently attending Groveport Madison Schools, but you have recently moved to another address within the District, you must update your FinalForms account with your new address and contact information. Go to gocruisers.org/FinalForms.aspx to update your address and upload the required verification documents. Failure to update this information promptly could affect your child's school assignment and bus route (where applicable).

Vuelve a las noticias de la escuela en Español desde nuestro sitio web, en www.gocruisers.org.

