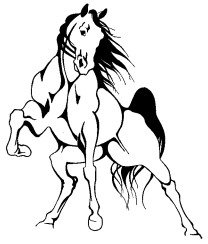


# Greasewood Springs Community School

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## School Report for the Public April 1, 2024 to May 31, 2024

### Principal

**Goal:** By June 30, 2024, opportunities for collective leadership will improve by 30% using a Leadership Survey Questionnaire.

| <b>Tse Hootsooi School Board Members</b> | <b>Regions Board Members Represent</b>                                      |
|--|---|
| Sophia Attakai-Francis, President        | Greasewood Springs, Whitecone, Dilcon, Jeddito and Teesto Chapters          |
| Genevieve Jackson, Vice President        | Fort Defiance and St. Michaels Chapters                                     |
| Hoskie Bryant, Secretary                 | Naschitti, Tohatchi, Coyote Canyon, Twin Lakes and Mexican Springs Chapters |
| Linda Youvella                           | Steamboat, Kin Dah Lichii, Ganado, Klagetoh and Cornfields Chapters         |
| <b>Vacant</b>                            | Oak Springs, Houck, Tse'si'ani, Nahata Dziil and Wide Ruins Chapters        |

- Raymond Smith, Jr. officially resigned as THII School Board Member
- **Relation with Chapters:** Public Report for January – March 2024/Third Quarter GSCS events/activities were orally presented to the *Cornfields* Chapters, April 14, 2024 and *Steamboat* Chapter, April 21, 2024 and *Greasewood Springs*, written copy, May 20, 2024.

### New School Construction (NSC)

- **Ground Breaking Ceremony** for the NSC is set for 11:00 a.m., June 20, 2024 (see attached flyer).
- **Stakeholders meeting** with Dyron Murphy, Architect/Engineer Team and Willmeng Construction is scheduled for June 17, 2024.
- Preparation for a **modular kitchen** to be set up north side of the Mustang Athletic Center (MAC) Building is pending Safety Inspection.
- Interviews for **NSC Secretary** via Navajo Times, Gallup Independence and GSCS website is forthcoming.

- Coordination meetings between Willmeng Construction, Dyron Murphy Architects and Engineers, NSC Project Manager and subcommittee members are set weekly to keep communication flowing.

### Registrar

- School Year 2023-2024 ended with 90 (decrease of 7 from April 2024) students officially *enrolled*.  
 K-13      1<sup>st</sup>-12      2<sup>nd</sup>-9      3<sup>rd</sup>-8      4<sup>th</sup>-9      5<sup>th</sup>-9      6<sup>th</sup>-10      7<sup>th</sup>-12      8<sup>th</sup>-8.
- Percent in *attendance* clicked in at 90%. Secondly, residential finished its SY 2023-2-24 with 7 student membership count. Percent in attendance ended with 100%. As for the *Family And Child Education Program* concluded its SY with 10 center-based students (3-4+ year olds), 29 home-based students (prenatal-3-year-olds).
- GSCS uses the Native American Student Information System (NASIS) to track student demographics such as student behavior management, chapter affiliations, enrollment, attendance, homelessness, and program data and information for academic, FACE, and Home Living.

### Academic

**Goal:** Provide a high-quality program that emphasizes academic achievement and Dine’ Values to prepare students for success in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

- The End-of-Year *Awards Day* included awards for 4<sup>th</sup> grading periods and final year end awards for Honor Roll, Attendance, Citizenship, and other teacher awards. Two students received bicycles for perfect attendance, May 16, 2024.
- Additional activities comprised of an Annual *Field Day* Activities for students spearheaded by the Health Physical Technician from Ft. Defiance Hospital and the School Physical Education Teacher.
- **Promotions:** 7 pre-K student were promoted to transition into Kindergarten, May 2, 2024. The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion was presented by the 8<sup>th</sup> grade sponsors in the MAC Building. A total of 10 students received promotional certificates for transition to High School. The students were also presented with new chrome books. This year’s Promotional Event had former Navajo Nation President, Honorable Jonathan Nez as the guest speaker.

- **School Wide Activities:** 1) Sports program 2) After School Tutoring 3) Tiger Tots: Sickness & Disease, Diabetes Game, More & Less Healthy and Dairy 3) Family Beading Workshops for Parents and Families every Wednesday evening throughout April 2024, and 4) Spring Parent Conference, April 17, 2024.
- New Generation Ed Consultant provided Professional Development for academic staff, focusing on collecting and analyzing data of attendance, school environment, and academic smart goals. The data was shared and evaluated as goals for next school year to be part of the Plan4Learning School Wide Plan, April 16-17, 2024.
- AIMS Web Benchmark End-of-Year Student Achievement Data as seen in comparison to Beginning-of-Year data is as follows;

**2023-24 Reading data K-8th:**

- Intensive level (Tier 3-Red) was reduced by 22 %
- Approaching (Tier 2-Yellow) was reduced by 7%
- Proficient Level (Tier 1-Green) was increased by 29%

**2023-24 Math data K-8<sup>th</sup>:**

- Intensive Level (Tier 3-Red) was decreased by 26%
- Approaching (Tier 2-Yellow) was reduced by 16%
- Proficient Level (Tier 1-Green) was increased by 42%

- 30 students (K-7<sup>th</sup>) are set to attend the 2024 Summer Enrichment Program, June 3 – 28, 2024.

## **Special Education Program**

Goal: Parent Involvement – empower parents through parent engagement.

- ***Special Education*** Program finished SY 2023-2024 with 17 students.
- Child Find information is continuously announced to identify children (birth to age 21) who need additional services to succeed in school. Detailed information is available at the school.
- Contracted specialized Service Providers (psychologist, speech therapist, physical therapist) are in place to support the GSCS Special Education students.

## **Gifted and Talented Program**

Goal: Provide GSCS a high-quality program that emphasizes academic achievement and Dine' Values to prepare students for success in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

- Students in G/T program completed their partnership with Taft University on their collaborative Robotics and coding project with emphasis on technologies.
- School Year 2023-2024 ended with 14 G/T students. The categorization of the 14 students are as follows:

|   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Kindergarten = 3                        | 5th grade = 2 continuing GT students |
| 1st grade = 1 + 1 continuing GT student | 6 <sup>th</sup> grade = 2            |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade = 2               | 8 <sup>th</sup> grade = 1            |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade = 2               |                                      |

**Family and Child Educational Program (FACE)** Goal: To support parents in their role as their child's first and most influential teacher, 2) strengthen family school-community connection, 3) increase parent participation in their child's learning and expectations for academic achievement, 4) support and celebrate the unique cultural and linguistic diversity of each community served by the program and 5) promote lifelong learning.

- As for the *Family And Child Education Program* concluded its SY with 10 center-based students (3-4+ year olds), 29 home-based students (prenatal-3-year-olds).
- A continuous enrollment for the FACE Program is open for 3-4+ year olds and adults pursuing GED education. On- going communication is flowing via posters, letters to parents, KTNN and <https://www.gscs-inc.net>

## **Dine Language and Culture Program**

- GSCS continues with the piloting of the **Dine Character Development** Curriculum by two certified Dine Language Teachers in partnership with the DODE-Office of Standards, Curriculum and Assessment Development.
- Professional development is provided to the teachers throughout the school year by the Navajo Nation Office of Dine Language and Culture.

## **Behavior Management**

- Vaping continues to be a major concern.

- **Tiger Tots Curriculum** provided by Ms. Daphina Shirley, Health Technician of Fort Defiance Medical Center, was on-site several times to present healthy lessons to students in kindergarten and second grade, April 3-24, 2024.
- To decrease discipline issues, a Classroom Management Plan and Positive Behavior Intervention Systems (PBSI) are in place. An emphasis is put on the fidelity of implementing the fore mentioned behavior management school wide.

**Counseling**

- GSCS is pleased to announce, Ms. Belle Cody-McCabe as its newly hired School Counselor.

**Finance**

Our annual goal is to obtain accurate, efficient financial records within the organization. Also to comply with all federal, state and Navajo nation Laws that ensures funds are expended properly.

Budget ending May 2024

| SY 23-24 Carryover | SY 23-24 Revenues Received | Amended Budget  | Year To Date Expenses | Encumbrance  | Balance as of 5. 28.24 |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| 8,867,533.26       | \$89,120,766.84            | \$98,515,191.10 | 4,868,423.27          | 3,999,122.42 | 89,647,645.41          |

**Information Technology**

Goal: Promote educational excellence in the school by facilitating resource sharing, innovative thinking via technology.

- GSCS is pleased to have Mr. Rayme Walker, newly hired Informational Technician, working with both Sentinel Technologies, Inc. and Internet Technology Technical and Administrative Support Specialist Consultant, Mr. James Rollison. This team provides GSCS staff have updated technological devices for teaching, learning, reporting and virtual presentations.
- Website production is on-going and 3) Upgrading of the Security Cameras are in process.
- School related announcements for the public are available via the school messenger, land and Mobil phones, marquee, KTNN announcements and calendars/parent letters can be seen on the school website (gscs- inc.net).

## **Human Resource**

Goal: To maintain a fair, equitable, positive and safe work environment for all employees, in support of the school mission, while pursuing excellence in all employee programs.

- GSCS employs 47 employees 2) Currently preparing to interview applicants for the Facility Manager position
- Advertisement of vacant position is for a Facility Manager. Forthcoming advertisement is the Support Service Manager.
- Recruiting methods include advertng via newspapers, BIE and School website posting at the Chapters and reaching out to state higher educational system.

## **Facility Maintenance**

Goal: Provide a safe and sufficient educational working environment and be in compliance with OSHA, EPA, OEH regulations.

- A continuous repairing of vacant houses/apartments is on-going
- Spring and Summer landscaping, inventory of school property and setting up rooms for Summer Enrichment Program are among the school's annual facility plan.
- Inspections for the health and safety of the occupancy and public is a constant via BIA.
- GSCS partners with the Agency and Regional Branch of Facility Management to ensure safety is a priority by performing frequent safe and health inspections. In addition, Pest Control Services is conducted each month for all school buildings and staff housing.

**Food Service** -Goal: To offer a well-balanced nutritional meal.

- Daily average participation for the month of May was **Breakfast** was 68 and 87 for **lunch**. **Sack lunches** continued for students who participated in off-site sports program.
- The Family and Child Education Program **Promotional Dinner** was a success, May 2, 2024. The eighth grade Promotional Dinner was wonderful as well, May 14, 2024.
- Summer Free Lunch Program for June 2024 is ready to provide services, June 4-28, 2024.
- The final distribution of the **St. Mary's Weekend Backpack Lunches** to Seventy-five (75) Pre-K to 8<sup>th</sup> grade students were achieved, April 2024.

- The school menu is worked out with a Dietitian recommendation. Menu schedule is on a 6-week cycle.
- SYSCO and Cream Land Dairy are the school food suppliers. GSCS is keeping in full compliance with its policy.

## Home Living

Goal: Our residential program has a vision for each student to make a transition from dependency to independency to become a successful and responsible individual in our society.

- 8 students reside in the **Residential Hall** (4 girls and 4 boys).
- **Activities** include; outings for Movie and Dinner, seasonal sports, recreation, assistance with homework, basic counseling skills to address respect, caring and making an effort to make good choices, monthly Native American **Culture Sessions**, Navajo Nation Diabetes presentations and value of personal hygiene and field trips.
- Home Living Counseling Services is pending.

## Transportation

Goal: To ensure buses and school vehicles are maintained. Our purpose is safety for students and staff.

- Over-night **Educational Field trips** for 41 students in grades K-4 to Phoenix, Arizona, May 1-3, 2024 was a success. Shortly after, 40 students in grades 5-8th were enlighten by their End-of-Year Educational Field Trip to Phoenix, Arizona, May 7-9, 2024.

| Bus Driver<br>(holds Commercial<br>Driver License) | Bus Driver<br>(holds Commercial Driver<br>License)     | Lead Bus Driver<br>(holds Commercial Driver<br>License) |
|--|--|---|
| Steamboat, Toyei,<br>Burnside Cornfields           | White Cone, Jeddito and NHA<br>2 in Greasewood Springs | Across the wash, south of<br>GSCS and NHA               |
| 30 students  | 38 students  | 22 students   |

- The school has 2 buses, 1 mini bus and 8 vehicles to provide transportation services for students and staff. Mini White Bus is used for 21<sup>st</sup> Century/after school program, Monday to Thursday.
- Buses run Monday through Friday. The school Secretary/Registrar assists with parent communication via school radios/land and cell phones. Mileage data are inserted into the WebEx ISEP weekly.
- Partners with GSA, Department of Public Service and the Motor Vehicle Department is in place to keep up to par with the standards and trainings that pertain to school bus and GSA vehicles.

## **Partners In Education (PIE)**

Goal: To increase parents and guardians of GSCS students to be more engaged with their children's educational endeavors by June 30, 2023.

- The school recognize that a strong partnership between families and the school is essential for the academic success and overall well-being of its students. The Family Engagement Program outlines commitment to foster meaningful connections with families, enhancing communication and creating a collaborative learning environment where every child can thrive.
  - Key components are: Open and inclusive communication, parent education and workshops, family involvement in decision-making, Collaborative activities and Community Resources.
- Monthly meeting is schedule monthly.
- PIE officers are President – Rochelle Tsosie, Vice President – Leandra Nelson  
Secretary/Treasurer - Ramona Charley