

Community Connection

Community Members Can Subscribe to Get Emails, Text Messages, &/or Phone Calls from the School District



GLcomets.net/Connect

Community Track Access



The days & times for Community Track Access are available online at GLcomets.net/TrackAccess

Community Use Rules

The purpose of community track access is to allow people regular times to use the track for walking and running. In order for GLPS to maintain the facility and to provide community track access, people using the facility agree to the following:

- Please respect others and the facility. There are security cameras monitoring this facility.
- Pets must be kept outside the track & field facility.
 Pets are not allowed to enter even if leashed.
- Only drink water while on the track. Please keep all other liquids off the track.
- Please visit GLcomets.net/TrackAccess for a full list of rules.



If you notice anything GLPS should be aware of or if you have any concerns, please contact **Martez Warren**, Director of Operations: email **WarrenM@GLcomets.net** OR use on-call # **517-927-4681**.

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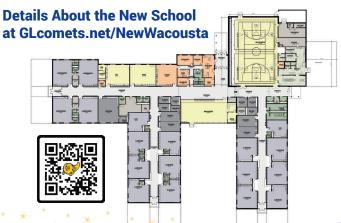






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Superintendent Note

Grand Ledge Public Schools Community,

Here at GLPS, we are proud of the work we do every day to provide meaningful learning experiences for our students. We know that the success of a community is tied to a successful school district, and that the success of a school district is tied to a successful community – and we take our responsibility very seriously to help our region thrive. We appreciate



the support that you provide for us through our partnerships, programs, facilities, and bond projects, and we are honored to serve the Grand Ledge Public Schools community, from the city of Grand Ledge to Wacousta to Mulliken to Delta Township to Oneida Township and all of the areas in between. Our communities' future leaders are in our schools, and thanks to the engagement of our staff, our families, and the entire Comet community, the future is bright! Thank you for your ongoing commitment to our kids; as always, I am #proudtobeacomet!

Sincerely,

Dr. Bill Barnes Superintendent of Grand Ledge Public Schools

Special Education Millage — Nov. 7, 2023

Eaton Regional Education Service Agency (Eaton RESA) provides critical support for schools in its service area - including Grand Ledge Public Schools – by providing and enhancing educational opportunities for students, families, and educators.

The amount of special education services and how students receive services have changed since 1985 when voters first approved a special education millage. Nearly 15% of students in the Eaton RESA service area receive some form of special education services.

On May 17, 2023, the Eaton RESA Board of Education authorized the district to add a .9 mills Special Education Millage to the ballot on November 7, 2023. If approved, this millage would restore the current special education millage that Headlee Rollbacks have reduced (0.3288) back to the full amount originally approved by voters in 1985. In addition, .5712 would be added to the current special education millage for a total of .9 mills generating approximately \$3 million each year for the next 10 years.

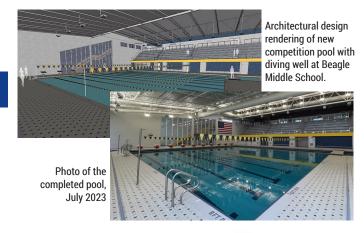
If this proposed millage passes, the cost to homeowners would be .9 mills, or approximately \$7.50/month or \$90/year for a home with a market value of \$200,000 (or taxable value of \$100,000).

More information at www.eatonresa.org.

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Bond Projects: Planned & Completed More About All Bond Projects at GLcomets.net/Bonds









School Calendar Highlights

August 30, 2023 - First Day of School (half day) November 20-24, 2023 - Thanksgiving Break December 22, 2023 - January 5, 2024 - Winter Break March 22-29, 2024 - Spring Break June 14, 2024 - Last Day of School (half day)

More at GLcomets.net/Calendar



Not all water pollution comes from big factories - it's also caused by little household chores. Hosing off your driveway or sidewalk sends dirt, motor oil, fertilizer, and animal waste into our rivers and lakes – the very water we drink. So, please sweep instead of hosing. Limit your fertilizer use and avoid applying it before a rainy day. Take care when changing your motor oil. Also, tidy up after your pets.

Wondering what to do with unused household and landscaping chemicals? Drop them off at the Ingham County Health Department.

Remember: anything that enters storm drains or ditches is headed straight for your local lake or river. No filters, no treatment. Your waterways are closer than you think!

To learn more about how Grand Ledge Public Schools is helping to protect our local streams, visit GLcomets.net/Stormwater.

Integrated Pest Management Program

Grand Ledge Public Schools has adopted an Integrated Pest Management program. Inherent with this are the district's efforts to reduce pesticide use as much as possible. While it may occasionally be necessary to apply a pesticide, this program does not rely on routine pesticide applications to resolve problems. We use various techniques such as habitat alteration, sanitation, mechanical means, exclusion, etc. to prevent pests from becoming a problem.

As required by Michigan law, you will receive advanced notice of non-emergency application of a pesticide (insecticide, fungicide, or herbicide), other than bait or gel formulation. This advance notice of a pesticide application will be given at least 48 hours before the application by the following two methods: (1) Posting at the primary entrance to your child's school, the one nearest the main office, and (2) posting on the district website at GL comets.net/Notifications.

Please note that notification is not given for use of sanitizers, germicides, disinfectants or antimicrobial cleaners. In certain emergencies, such as an infestation of stinging insects, pesticides may be applied without prior notice to prevent injury to students, but you will be promptly notified following any such application, via the two posting methods identified above.

You may review the school's Integrated Pest Management program and records of any pesticide application upon request by contacting the Operations Department at 517-925-5424.

Parents or guardians of children attending the school are also entitled to receive the advance notice of a pesticide application, other than a bait or gel formulation, by email at least 3 days before the application, if they so request. If you would like to be added to the advance notification email list, please contact the Operations Department at 517-925-5424 to share your name, preferred email address, and what school(s) your child or children attend.