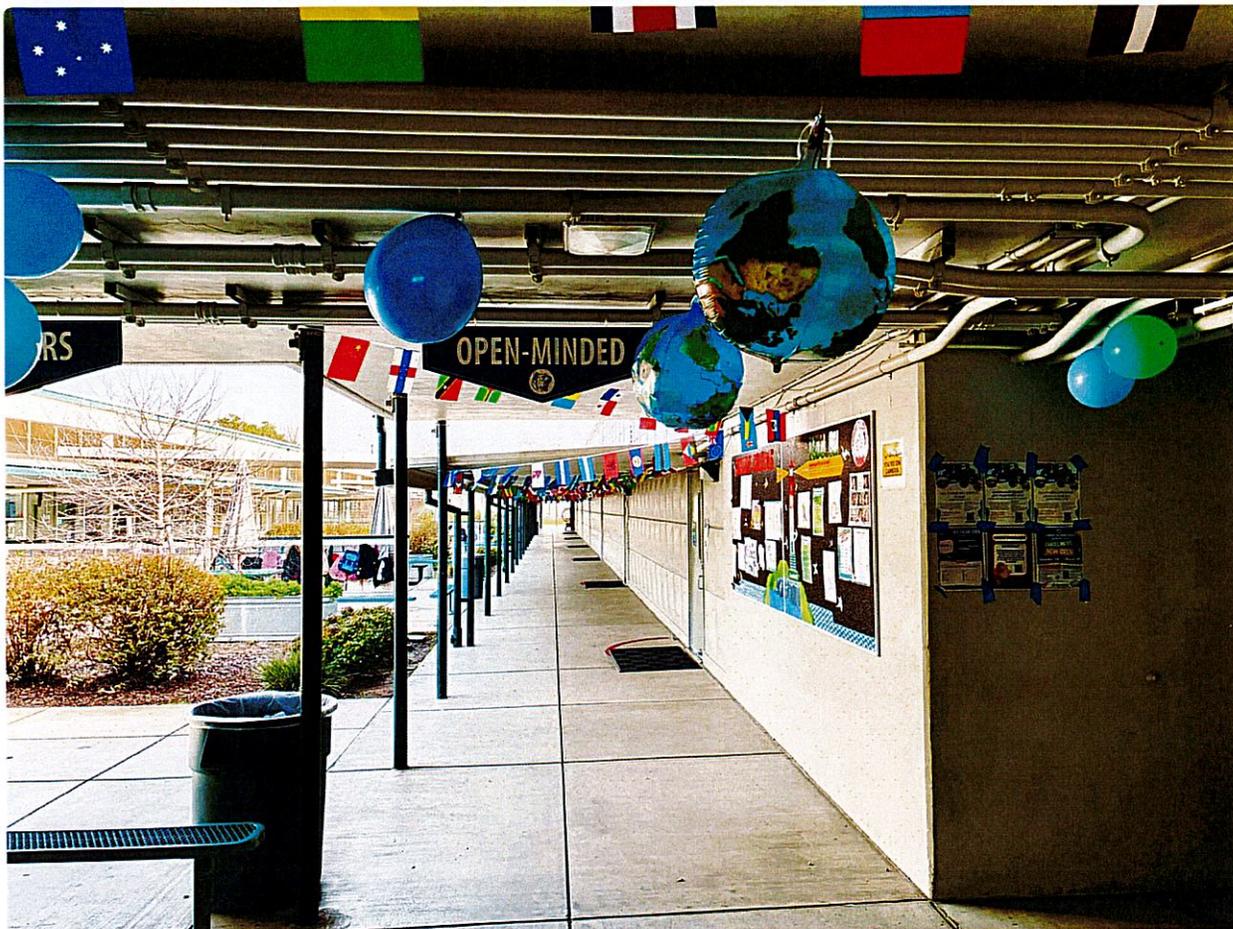




Grizzly Gazette

School Newsletter

FEBRUARY 1, 2026



Hello GIS Community,

We are excited to share that our very first GIS Cultural Night Fair was a huge success! 🎉 It was truly a wonderful evening celebrating our diverse community, cultures, and talents.

To everyone who worked so hard to put the Cultural Night together—well done! A special thank you to **Ms. Dorado**, our Spanish teacher, and **Mrs. Olson**, GIS School Counselor, who both dedicated so much time and effort to finalizing this event. The performances and displays were absolutely impressive, and it was inspiring to see our students and families come together in such a meaningful way.

Here's your quick look at what's happening this week at GIS — important dates, reminders, and events to keep you in the loop!

Upcoming Events

Monday, February 2nd

- *MYP Girls Basketball Practice, 3:30pm*

Tuesday, February 3rd

- *MYP Boys & PYP Basketball Practice, 3:30pm*

Wednesday, February 4th

- *All teams will be practicing that day: PYP & MYP Boys' & Girls' Basketball.*

Thursday, February 5th

- *GCC Community Summit (see details below)*
- *MYP Boys & PYP Basketball Practice, 3:30pm*
- *GIS Talent Show Auditions, 3:15-4:30 PM*

Friday, February 6th

- *Friday "A"*

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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7	8	9	10	11	12	
14	15	16	17	18	19	
21	22	23	24	25	26	
28	29	30				

Important Reminders

- **'Girls on the Run' Registration** opens – February 9th (see details in the flyer below)
- **GIS Advisory Council Meeting** – February 10th, 3:30pm
- **Parent Workshop** – February 10th, 5:00 PM (see details in the flyer below)
- **Promotional Picture Day** (K & 8 grades only) – February 12th
- **NO SCHOOL**, President's Week Recess – February 16th-20th
- **Spring Picture Day** – February 25th
- **Family Literacy Night** – February 26th

Calling All Volunteers!

If you are interested in volunteering, we would love to hear from you! Please call, text, or email our Parent Liaison for more information and to sign up. Thank you for your continued support and partnership!

Text/Call: 916-225-7695

Email: svitlana.vlasova@gcccharters.org

2nd Gr. Field Trip	3rd Gr. Field Trip	4th Gr. Field Trip
SMUD Museum of on Monday, March 9th, 2025 8:45 AM-2:30PM	Sly Park on Wednesday, March 18th, 2026 8:45 AM-3:00 PM	The Esquire IMAX Theatre on Thursday, April 8th, 2026

Need Volunteers:

2A- 2
2B - 5
2C - 4

Need Volunteers:

3A - 0
3B - 5
3C - 2

Need Volunteers:

4A- 3
4B - 2
4C - 2

5th Gr. Field Trip	6th Gr. Field Trip	School Event
SMUD Museum of Science & Curiosity March 5, 2026 9:45 AM-12:30 PM	Black Chasm Caverns on Tuesday, April 14th, 2026 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM	Family Literacy Night on Thursday, February 26th, 2026 4:30 - 6:00 PM

Need Volunteers:

5A- 3
5B - 5
5C - 3

Need Volunteers:

6 chaperones

Need Volunteers:

10 persons



GIS TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS

DETAILS ->

What: **Talent Show Auditions**

Where: MPR

When: Thursday, **February 5th**
from **3:15-4:30 pm**

Who: All Grade Levels



PARENT WORKSHOP

JOB SEARCH & EMPLOYMENT SKILLS WORKSHOP

Grab a snack and a drink while you're here

10 Feb, 2026
05.00 PM

Community Outreach Academy of Sciences

Presented by: Sergey Terebkov and Yuliya Balabanova
Slavic American Chamber of Commerce

- Job Search Techniques
- Job Interview Techniques
- Tips and Resources for Immigrant Families

SCAN



916-286-1908

www.coamiddle.org

3800 Bolivar Ave., North Highlands

Join us for a practical workshop to build confidence and skills for today's job market.



Sergey Terebkov
Slavic American Chamber of Commerce



JOIN GIRLS ON THE RUN!

Hello, **BOLD HEART!**

Girls on the Run offers 90-minute practices 2x per week led by trained volunteer coaches, who create a welcoming environment using our evidence-based curriculum. The lessons in 'Hello, Bold Heart!' are about more than just running. It teaches girls how to share what's in their hearts with confidence and help others to do the same. Throughout the 8-week season, girls will learn, grow, and bond with their teammates.

GIRLS LEARN HOW TO...

Build confidence to boldly share their thoughts, ideas, and feelings

Discover their Heart Power to speak up – even when they feel nervous

Learn to listen deeply, show empathy, and invite others to speak up, too

Season Info:

Practices M/W 3:30-4:30pm
Season Starts: March 9th
Season Ends: May 9th
Registration Deadline: March 16
Registration Fee: \$215
Use code GOTR30

SCAN TO SIGN UP!



Questions?

Contact
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Registration opens February 9th!
<https://www.pinwheel.us/register/index/Spring26>

LAUNCH

As we wrap up January, we celebrate our focus on the IB Learner Profile attribute **Communicator**. This month, our students practiced expressing their ideas confidently and collaborating with others across cultures and perspectives.

While celebrating the rich multiculturalism of our school, we learned about each other's backgrounds, traditions, and differences by communicating and connecting during our first Cultural Night Fair event. We hope to continue expanding our knowledge through future conversations and cultural experiences, and that these meaningful experiences will help us build an even stronger, more inclusive multicultural IB community where every learner feels valued and inspired.

We also remembered and celebrated **Martin Luther King Jr. Day**, reflecting on his powerful message of **freedom, equality, and unity**. Through communication, Dr. King taught the world that words can inspire change, promote justice, and bring people together. His legacy reminded us that using our voices responsibly can help create a more peaceful and inclusive world.

In February, we shift our focus to the IB Learner Profile attribute **Risk-Taker**. Being a risk-taker means approaching new situations with courage and confidence, trying new strategies, asking questions, and learning from mistakes. Risk-takers step outside their comfort zones, take initiative, and see challenges as opportunities to grow.

We invite our entire school community — students, families, and staff — to join us in being **risk-takers** this month. Whether it's raising your hand, trying a new activity, sharing an idea, or standing up for what is right, every small step matters. Together, let's take positive risks, embrace learning, and continue growing as reflective, confident learners.

Ms. Svitlana | Parent Liaison

"Courage doesn't always roar. Sometimes courage is the quiet voice at the end of the day saying, 'I will try again tomorrow.'"

- Mary Anne Radmacher



CONTACT INFO

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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