



# Gary Lighthouse Charter School

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

UA Honors Breakfast	11/7
Veterans Day—No School	11/11
Progress Reports	11/10
Parent Meeting 10:00 & 6:00	11/21
Thanksgiving Lunch	11/22

**Don't Forget:**  
**School begins at 8:00 am-any scholar that arrives later than 8:00 will be considered tardy.**

**Wednesdays we dismiss at 2:00—car riders must be picked up by 2:15 or a \$1/minute late charge will be assessed.**  
**All other days car riders must be picked up by 4:15 or a \$1/minute late charge will be assessed.**

**Early dismissals should be requested in writing and the scholar (s) should be picked up before 3:00.**

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## THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON

**O**ur annual Thanksgiving Luncheon will be held on **Tuesday, November 22**. We will have a delicious menu of turkey, dressing, green beans, cranberries, salad (for adults) and cake. Families are invited to join in the feast during your scholar's lunch time. If you have multiple scholars in our building, they may all eat at the same time. Because of the occasion, lunches will begin at 11:00 with K-1, 11:30 for 2-3, 12:00 for 4-5, and 12:30

for 6-8. We will also have our Lighthouse Board as visitors, so hopefully you will get a chance to meet them. **The prices for adults are \$8.00, non-GLCS students \$3.00.** We need to have accurate counts for the caterer, so please RSVP (with cash if possible) by 11/16.



### IN HONOR OF VETERANS' DAY....

We will have no school on 11/11! This is Veteran's Day, a celebration of all our US military veterans. On this day, we thank those who have served our country. If you are a veteran, or know a veteran, the staff and students of GLCS thank you for your bravery and service, and realize that we couldn't have the freedoms we enjoy without you. We would especially like to thank those on our staff who are retired veterans: Mrs. Nicholson, Mr. Williams, Miss Johnson, and Ms. Berry.

### REPORT CARD STILL AVAILABLE

We still have a number of report cards that have not been picked up. We do not give out report cards without a conference with the parent/guardian. Teachers have made several attempts to contact parents, so if you haven't heard from the school, please make sure your information is updated with the main of-

vice. Progress reports will also go home today. The progress report will reflect grades issued since the beginning of the 2nd quarter began. These reports must be signed and returned. On Monday, November 21st, we will host a parent workshop showing students how to use Par-

ent Portal. Parent Portal gives real-time access to student grades. Parents will be able to use computers to access the information. If you did not get a login at the beginning of the year, call the school office.

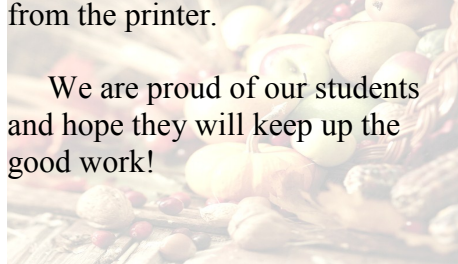


### Congratulations, Scholars

We would like to congratulate the scholars who made honor roll for the 1st quarter. Students who made honor roll or had perfect attendance will be recognized. K-4 received bumper stickers and cups for their achievements. Students in grades 5-8 will be recognized for awards on Monday, November 7. Honor roll students will be invited to attend a special breakfast in their honor at 9:00.

Any student with a GPA of 3.75 or higher will also receive a special treat—a Lighthouse Scholar’s t-shirt. Scholars are invited to wear their scholar shirt with jeans twice a week—they will get more information when the shirts arrive from the printer.

We are proud of our students and hope they will keep up the good work!



### After-School Activities

#### Cheerleading & Pom Pon Practice

Mon. & Thurs. 4:00-6:00  
Wed. 2:00-6:00

#### Girl’s Basketball Practice

Tues. & Thurs. 4:00-6:30 (Grades 4-6)  
Monday :00-6:00 (Grades 7-8)  
Wednesdays 2:00-6:00

#### Boys Basketball Practice

Tues. & Thurs. 4:00-5:30 (Grades 4-6)  
Mon./Tues./Thurs. 5:30-7:00 (Grades 7-8)

#### Guitar Club

Thursday 4:00-4:45

#### Science Club

Mondays with Mr. Jewell. 6-8 grade sign up with Mr. Jewell.

#### Monday Night Math

Monday from 4:00-5:00pm. Students currently in 7th or 8th grade interested in high achieving scores in Algebra and Parents who want to help their kids are welcome. Limited seats, sign up with Mrs. Lafever. Classes begin November 14th.



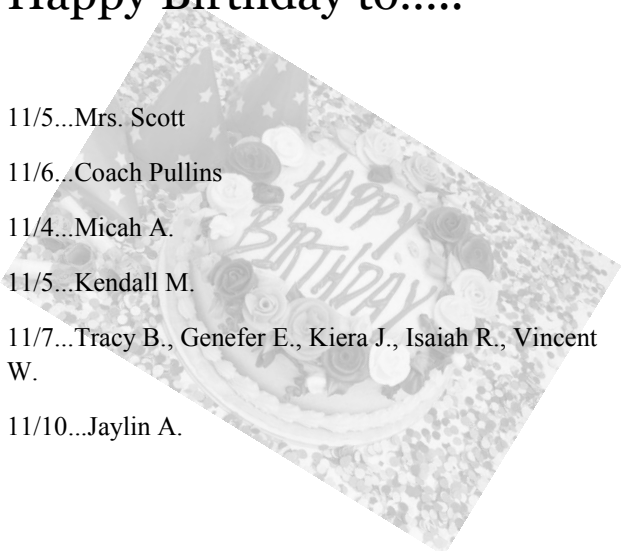
### Oh the weather outside is changing.....

Yes, the weather is changing. And it is time to put away the spring jackets and bundle up. Please make sure your scholars are wearing warm jackets, scarves, gloves, and boots (when appropriate). Lighthouse sweatshirts may be worn in the building and are on sale Fridays from 8-12. Students will continue to have outdoor recess until the temperatures reach 32°C. We are also required to have fire drills during the winter, so it’s important our scholars are prepared.

“Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself.” ~John Dewey

### Happy Birthday to.....

- 11/5...Mrs. Scott
- 11/6...Coach Pullins
- 11/4...Micah A.
- 11/5...Kendall M.
- 11/7...Tracy B., Genefer E., Kiera J., Isaiah R., Vincent W.
- 11/10...Jaylin A.



### Volunteers needed!

We need parent volunteers who can help:

- ◆ Practice math with students,
- ◆ Sort Campbells’ Soup Labels,
- ◆ Plan family activities,
- ◆ Sponsor groups for K-4.
- ◆ If you can help, please call our family coordinator, Mrs. Williams, at extension 4102.

*Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did. So throw off the bowlines, sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover.*  
-Mark Twain