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# Union Grove Middle



<u>Principal:</u>
Mr. Dwayne Richards

Assistant Principals:
Ms. Sarah Bass - 6th
Ms. Christi Collier - 7th
Ms. Kim Norwood- 8th

Admin. News

Greetings Wolverines,

It may have been freezing outside, but here at UGMS we have been on fire! Last week was a busy week of rigorous learning, as well as an outstanding demonstration of athleticism with our basketball players and wrestlers.

This week we will be MAP testing on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please make sure your child's Chromebook is fully charged on these days. We look forward to seeing and celebrating our student's mid-year growth.

On February 7,8,9 our students will be performing Finding Nemo Jr. Our student body will be attending the morning performances on these dates. More details including specific dates, times, admission fee, and permission forms will be coming home this week.

We look forward to a wonderful week of going Above and Beyond!

Stay warm!

#### UGMS Admin Team

Our Vision: Union Grove Middle School WILL ensure learning environments that promote leadership, engagement, advancement and diversity where we exceed Above and Beyond expectations.

#### Wolverine Updates: January 22nd - January 26th

Mark your calendars for the following upcoming important dates:



Monday, January 22nd 7th Grade Basketball 1st Round

Tuesday, January 23rd Reading Bowl - 7:30 AM MAP Testing 8th Grade Basketball 1st Round

Wednesday, January 24th MAP Testing 7th Grade Basketball Semis

Thursday, January 25th Reading Bowl - 7:30 AM 8th Grade Basketball Semis

Friday, January 26th PTO Starlite Skate Night - 6:00 PM

Additional events and information can and will be found on the <u>UGMS school</u> <u>Website</u> and other social media platforms. Please feel free to contact the front office regarding any questions or concerns that you may have.







The UGMS team of Educators are committed to going Above and Beyond for our students. To ensure our commitment is a reality we will focus on 3 levers that will drive the work that we do to assist our students in growing and achieving. Those levers are Instructional, Operational and Cultural. We are committed to Winning for Kids and progressively move student performance measures Above and Beyond all that is expected.

### Wolverine Athletics

### Athletic Director: Mark Mortimer



23-24 Union Grove Middle School 7th / 8th Grade Girls Basketball Schedule

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11/30	Thurs	Hampton	Home	
12/5	Tues	Eagle's Landing	Auray	
2/7	Thurs	Ola	Home	
2/12	Tues	Stockbridge	Auray	
12/14	Thurs	Dutchtown	Home	
12/19	Tues	Austin Road	Aurey	
/9	Tues	Luella	Home	
/11	Thur	Woodland	Away	
/16	Tues	BYE		
/18	Thur	Locust Grove	Home	
/22	Mon	7th Grade Girls HCMSAL County Tournament – First Round*		
/23	Tues	8th Grade Girls HCMSAL County Tournament – First Round*		
/24	Wed	7th Grade Girls HCMSAL County Tournament - Semi-Finals*		
/25	Thurs	8th Grade Girls HCMSAL County Tournament – Semi-Finals*		
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## Wolverine Clubs and Organizations



Georgia Association of Media Assistants



Reading Bowl Team



Student Council



**Robotics Club** 



Beta Club



**Student Ambassadors** 



Men of Distinction



### WOLVERINE SPOTLIGHT



#### Kim Norwood



Ms. Norwood is our 8th grade assistant principal. She supports the administration of standardized testing specific to 8th graders such as the PSAT. She encourages 8th graders to go 'Above and Beyond' each day to prepare them for the milestone of completing 8th grade and entering high school. We appreciate Ms. Norwood.

### Media Center

Don't forget to have your child log reading minutes on Beanstack located in the HCS Launchpad.

Encourage your child to reach the goal of reading for 9,000 minutes by the end of the school year.



## beanstack

### January Beanstack Challenge







PW: henryga

















# New Year, New Books











A shout out to Ms. Stone and her 7th grade students for an awesome book tasting to sample our new library books. The students were excited to explore the books in the new collection in a restaurant style manner.

# Reading Bowl Competition Team







Congratulations to our reading bowl team who did an amazing job at the Helen Ruffin Reading Bowl this past Saturday. After having to do a tie breaker round, the team landed 1st place. They will advance to the regional bowl in a few weeks.





Kayla Araca ~ 8th Grade
Harper Womack ~ 7th Grade
Yash Desai ~ 6th Grade
Rupanshi - Bhambani ~ 6th Grade
Laila Muhammad ~ 6th Grade
Faith Soleye ~ 6th Grade
Thomas Berry ~ 6th Grade
Charlotte Robinson ~ 6th Grade
Kourtlen Wilson ~ 6th Grade
Dhyan Patel ~ 6th Grade







PTO Parent Meeting
Monday, February 5 · 6:00 – 8:00pm
Time zone: America/New\_York
Google Meet joining info
Video call link:
https://meet.google.com/aec-ooik-fkh



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