



Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School

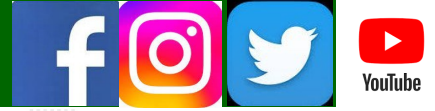
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Family Newsletter



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear GNBVT Families and Community,

I hope you are excited about getting more hours of sunshine this weekend! Despite losing an hour of sleep in the morning, it is exciting to usher in the longer days and the soon-approaching perennials.

Today, we had another amazing Pep Rally that was planned and hosted by members of our Student Council. And tomorrow night at 6 pm, the After Prom committee will be hosting the Spring Fling Dance. It will be a memorable time when the Ms. Voc-Tech winner will be crowned. All proceeds of the Spring Fling Dance will go to the After Prom which takes place immediately after the prom in our Field House from 11 pm until 5 am. I love this event because it is a fun and safe place for students to be on prom night.

Finally, I want to remind you all that grades close on Monday, March 13th. parents and guardians, please be reminded that report cards will be published to Aspen on March 21st. We do not send paper copies, therefore check to see if you have Aspen access. There are directions to attain access below if you are in need.

Best regards,

Warley J Williams III
Principal

WHAT'S IN THIS ISSUE:

- Skills USA Spotlights
- BPA Award Highlights
- Spring Fling/Ms. Voc-Tech
- Mr. Voc-Tech
- Spring Sports Registration

Upcoming Events

Sat Mar 11: 6-10 pm-Spring Fling Dance/ Ms. Voc- Tech

Thur Mar 16: 6:30 pm- After Prom Meeting

Tues Mar 21- Trimester II Grades Published

Fri Mar 24: 6:30 pm- Mr. Voc-Tech

Thur Mar 30: 4-5:30- Parent's Cafe



Report Cards Published:

Tuesday, March 21

- ◇ Please refer to this [reference guide](#) to assist in viewing report cards in Aspen.
- ◇ Should you need assistance getting into Aspen or navigating to locate report card, please complete this 'New Technology Ticket Request' [here](#).





Hello GNBVT Families,

GNBVT Honors Women's History Month! *Women's History Month is a dedicated month to reflect on the often-overlooked contributions of women to United States history. The 2023 theme is "Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories." This theme recognizes "women, past and present, who have been active in all forms of media and storytelling including print, radio, TV, stage, screen, blogs, podcasts, news, and social media."*



Top: Toni Morrison, Maxine Hong Kingston, Jovita Idar, Maya Angelou

Middle: Gerda Lerner, Gloria Steinem, Winona La Duke, Lillian Hellman

Bottom: Betty Soskin, Willa Cather, Gertrude Stein, Marjory Stoneman Douglas

Toni Morrison was known for her novel called *Beloved*, based on the true story of an African-American enslaved woman. This book was a Bestseller for 25 weeks and won countless awards including the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction. In 1993, Morrison became the first Black woman to win the Nobel Prize in Literature.

Gloria Steinem is an American feminist, political activist, and journalist. A leading feminist spokesperson since the mid-20th century, she helped launch a variety of groups and publications dedicated to promoting civil rights.

Maxine Hong Kingston, an eminent memoirist and a celebrated Chinese-American autobiographer, is best known for *The Woman Warrior: Memoirs of a Girlhood Among Ghosts* (1976) and its companion volume, *China Men* (1980).

These women are just some examples of many who have paved the way for generations of women to feel empowered to leave their mark on the world with their words!

And in the words of Michelle Obama;

“There is no limit to what we, as women, can accomplish.”

The Family Engagement Center is here to help and support not only our students but our families as well!

The center assists families with meeting their concrete needs: food, housing, utilities, clothing, etc. and provides referral assistance to address needs, such as educational, therapeutic, mental health, and substance use.

Here is the link for our referral form:

[Family Engagement Center Referral Form](#)

All inquiries are confidential

Please feel free to reach out to Veronica Arruda, Family Engagement Specialist

Phone: (508) 998-3321 ext. 494

Email: Veronica.arruda@gnbvt.edu

Upcoming Events:

Every Saturday: Indoor Farmers Market, Buttonwood Park Warming House, 1 Oneida St. New Bedford, MA., 02745, 10 am – 2 pm

March 14: Table Talk Tuesday (students only – during lunches) – Community agencies will be available to speak to students about resources within the community. Representatives from the YWCA, LGBTQIA Network, The Women's Center and The Beyond House will be in attendance.

March 30: Parent Café: The LGBTQ+ Network, Maureen Dugars, LGBTQ+ Case Manager, will speak about resources the network provides. 4-5:30 PM, Virtual

[March Family Engagement Calendar](#)

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Statement

Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School fosters an inclusive environment that values the diversity of our school community and respects individual differences. Each individual is embraced, celebrated, and treated equitably. We aim to foster a dialogue conducive to learning, acceptance, and cultural enrichment. GNB Voc-Tech promotes its commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion through discussion, education, and promotion of an environment that encourages scholarship, learning, and respect for diverse backgrounds and viewpoints to prepare students for lives in a multicultural society.

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Students and Staff attended SkillsUSA Leadership Conference

On February 9th staff and students attended the **SkillsUSA** SAIL (Senior Adventures in Leadership) Conference at Gillette Stadium.





Dreams Come True for GNB Voc-Tech Students

On Sunday, March 5th, 42 students from Visual Design, Media Technology, Business Technology, Information Technology and Legal & Protective Services competed at Business Professionals of America State Leadership Conference in Norwood, MA. BPA is a Career and Technical Student Organization for students in high school, college, and middle school who want to work in business, finance, management information systems, and other related fields. The activities and programs of the organization supplement their career major instruction by providing students with practical experience through the application of the skills learned in their trade. BPA serves as a coordinating agent in the nationwide network of education, business, and industry. This organization's mission is to help prepare global professionals by advancing their leadership, citizenship, academic, and technological skills.



Josh Abreu
Alexander Abreu
Jaivon Almeida
Samantha Amaral
Whitney Berger
Lucas Brum
Cameron Burgo
Noah Cabral
Cesar Cardoza
Johnathan Consales
Tobe Cynar
Hunter Da Silva
Bryanna DeAndrade
Ja'vare Degrace

Olivia DiGregorio
Clayton DosSantos
Briannah Gomes
Elijah Gonsalves
Amber Hooda
Summer Horton
Giovanni Ixcuna Sam
Omar Lakbiri
Zachary Lamb
Emmanuel Marrero
Ethan Medeiros
Kayden Melo
Andrea Orellana
Juan Ortiz Mena

Julian Pereira
Luis Pinto
Joseph Rebello
Amarie Rodrigues
Cadin Rogers
Siomarilis Santos Davila
Sonia Sicajau Quino
Janaye Silva
Adriano Silva
Samantha Simon
Alexis Simpkin
Elliot Smith
Alexandria Soares
Kyle Trommenschlager

Congratulations to all the students that participated in the State Leadership Conference.

"I am extremely proud of our students' efforts and how they represented GNBVT at the state conference. We would not have been able to do it without the assistance and support of our School Committee, Administration, parents, and, most importantly, our students and teachers." Advisor Thai Panayakul.

Siomarilis Santos Davila
PRESIDENT

Bryanna DeAndrade
VICE PRESIDENT

Noah Cabral
SECRETARY

Alexandria Soares
TREASURER

Amari Rodrigues
HISTORIAN

Elijah Gonsalves
PARLIAMENTARIAN

GNBVT OFFICER TEAM



Congratulations to the following students for showcasing their skills and making it on the state stage in their competitive events.

Winners at 2023 BPA State Leadership Conference



OVERALL

- 16 FIRST PLACE
- 13 SECOND PLACE
- 5 THIRD PLACE
- 11 FOURTH PLACE
- 9 FIFTH PLACE

1st Alex Abreu
1st Zach Lamb
1st Juan Ortiz

1st Bry DeAndrade
1st Sam Amaral
1st Jay Silva
1st, 4th Elliot Smith

1st, 3rd, 3rd Summer Horton
1st, 1st, 4th Siomarilis Santos Davila
1st, 1st, 2nd, 2nd, 4th, 5th Tobe Cynar
1st, 2nd Noah Cabral
1st, 1st Elijah Gonsalves
1st, 5th Samantha Simmons
2nd Alexandra Soares
2nd, 2nd, 2nd, 4th Joshua Abreu
2nd Briannah Gomes

2nd, 5th Ethan Medeiros
2nd, 2nd Amber Hooda
2nd Jaivon Almeida
2nd Ja'Vare DeGrace

2nd, 3rd Hunter da Silva
2nd Lucas Brum

3rd Olivia Digregorio

3rd Cesar Cardoza
4th, 4th, 5th Cameron Burgo
4th Kyle Trommschlager
4th, 5th, 5th Clayton DosSantos
4th Omar Lakkbiri
5th Emanuel Marrero

5th Amarie Rodrigues
3rd Jonathon Consales
4th Julian Pereira
4th, 5th Kayden Melo





From the Health Office

Health Office Relocation

Your nursing staff is happy to report that we have settled in nicely to our temporary location in B148. This location is in the IT hallway. There are signs indicating where we have been relocated to. We remain open and available to care for you and assist with any health care needs.



Attention parents/guardians of our sophomore class, Year of Graduation 2025:

The MA Department of Public Health requires proof of meningococcal vaccination for students entering Grade 11. According to this regulation, all students should receive a booster on or after their 16th birthday.

We ask that you provide proof of this immunization by turning in an updated immunization record prior to returning next school year or once your child has turned 16 years old (during the school year).

Please forward the required paperwork attention to the school nurse.

We thank you in advance for helping us maintain compliance with this MA Department of Public Health mandate. Please reach out to your child's physician if you need an appointment to ensure that your child's immunizations are up to date, including their meningococcal vaccination.

If you have any questions please reach out to the nursing office and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Sarah Caggiano at ext 791 Ursula Crowell at ext 205

Linda Ferreira at ext 204 Kari Rossi at ext 661



In need of a dress for the Senior Prom or Junior Banquet?

Check out our collection in the *2023 and 2024 Guidance Google Classroom* or stop by the Guidance Office for more info.



Quick Links:

[Lunch Menu](#)

[Family Engagement Center](#)

[Student Handbook](#)

[GNBVT Calendars](#)

[GNBVT Website](#)

SPRING SPORTS REGISTRATION IS OPEN



**SPRING SPORTS
REGISTRATION**

Start Feb 6 9PM - End Mar 13 12AM



SCAN ME

USE YOUR PHONE TO SCAN THIS CODE
AND GET REGISTERED TODAY!



Student Life

Spring Fling & Ms. Voc-Tech

There will be a spring fling dance on March 11th from 6-10 pm in the Welcome Center where Ms. Voc-Tech will be crowned. There will be a 360-degree photo booth, two other photo op areas, a DJ, yard games, pong, pizza, snacks and drinks. Tickets are \$5 plus a \$1 service fee. Tickets can be purchased online, or see Ms. Gaspar in room G141 or Mr. Methia in the Athletic Office. Food and drinks are cash only at the dance. Open to GNB Voc-Tech students only. Tickets will also be sold at the door. The theme for this year's dance is Hollywood, so dress to impress.

<https://gofan.co/app/events/916285?schoolId=MA22184>

GNB VOC-TECH AFTER PROM &
THE MISSES OF VOC-TECH HOST

**HOLLYWOOD
SPRING FLING
DANCE**

THE TOP 3 MS. VOC-TECH CONTESTANTS WILL BE
ANNOUNCED AND THE WINNER WILL BE CROWNED

OPEN TO GNBVT STUDENTS ONLY
\$5 • PLUS \$1 SERVICE FEE • 6:00PM-10:00PM
SNACKS, DRINKS, DJ, GAMES, 360 PHOTOBOOTH



MARCH **11** 2023 | **EVENT WILL BE HELD IN
THE WELCOME CENTER** | SATURDAY **6:00** PM



AFTER PROM MEETING

Please come to the After Prom meeting, Thursday, March 16th at 6:30pm in G141, Media Technology

—\$20,000

—\$15,000

—\$10,000

—\$5,000

—\$1,000

**AFTER
PROM
2023**

- HELP US REACH OUR \$20,000 GOAL
- THE AFTER PROM DOES NOT RAISE FUNDS WITH THE SENIOR CLASS

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Student Life

Mr. Voc-Tech

Who will be crowned Mr. Voc-Tech? Event will be held on Friday, March 24th at 6:30 PM. 10 contestants will compete to see who is this years Mr. Voc-Tech. Reserved seating only. Tickets are \$12 pre-sale and \$15 at the door. Tickets will be sold during all lunch shifts.

**MR. VT
TICKET
PRICES**

\$12 Pre-sale

\$15 at the door

Reserved seating only

**March, 24 2023 @ 6:30pm
GNB Voc-Tech Auditorium**