



Dear GPA Parent/Guardian,

We are pleased to invite your child to participate in an **optional** program called “Recess at GPA”. This is an opportunity for students to safely play and exercise on the GPA field in the afternoons.

Since the pandemic started over a year ago, our students have worked diligently in distance learning. We are so proud of them and of you as parents for all of your hard work.

In recent days, the restrictions from State and County health guidelines have changed. GPA would like to take advantage of these changes as soon as possible by offering an opportunity for our students to step away from their screen and step onto our field.

It is our hope that we can start Recess at GPA sometime in April. This will allow our students to laugh, play, exercise and slowly get comfortable with being on campus again. It will also allow them to practice COVID protection protocols to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Although this is an optional program for students, we hope you will consider sending your child to campus for Recess at GPA after Distance Learning classes have ended for the day.

Please see the schedule for Recess at GPA below.

Middle School Schedule 2:15 - 4:15 pm

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6th Grade	7th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade	8th Grade
	Group A	Group B	Group A	Group B

** Please note that families with multiple children attending Recess at GPA will be placed together in a cohort with the youngest sibling.*

High School Schedule 4:30 - 6:30 pm

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9th Grade	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade
Group A	Group B			

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Registration STEPS for Recess at GPA

1. If you would like your child to attend Recess at GPA, please use this [link](#) to complete the registration process. The first **registration deadline is April 2**. There will be other opportunities to register if you miss the April 2nd deadline. We will post additional dates to register at a later time on our website.
2. Once registration is confirmed, GPA will provide more information on how to complete the pre-screening from home using SafeAccess.

Student Cohort Groups

Students will be placed in cohort groups made up of no more than 15 students and will remain with their cohort group for the entirety of the Recess at GPA program. Our default school site model is to have grades 7, 8 and 9 divided over 2 days with a maximum of 120 students per day as indicated on the schedule above. Adjustments will be made based on the number of students who wish to attend Recess at GPA, student requests, available space, and existing health and safety guidelines.

Drop-off and Pick-up

The entrance for Recess at GPA will be at the end of the bus turnaround road along the east side of the GPA baseball field. (The road between GPA and Gompers Park that can be accessed from Hilltop Drive). Whether walking or driving, please use this pathway to access the Recess at GPA entrance. If you choose to drive, please have your child remain in the car until a GPA volunteer greets you and asks your child to

exit the car and enter our health screening station. At the end of Recess at GPA, students will exit the program at the south gate of the field on Hilltop Drive. Students will be instructed to walk directly home (or directly to their pickup car) to encourage social distancing.

Dress Code

Students are asked to wear comfortable, loose fitting athletic pants/shorts and proper, closed-toe athletic shoes. Students will be provided with a FREE “Recess at GPA” t-shirt to be worn as their “Recess Uniform” while attending the program.

Once an actual start date is determined for Recess at GPA, we will announce that date via auto dialer and our website. Until then, we cannot wait to see our students for Recess at GPA!

If you have any questions please reach out to Assistant Director, Pete Chodzko.
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