



# Bobcat Bulletin

**Green High School**

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Below you will find an excerpt that I shared with our staff from one of my Friday updates. Please take some time to read and let it soak in. It truly has changed me and I hope it will do the same for you.

See the post below by Dan Rockwell concerning belief. It goes right along with our "Believe" mantra here at Green. The first sentence below really hit me between the eyes. "Tell people they're inadequate long enough and they'll believe it. Undermine their confidence with constant correction, tweaking, and complaints and they'll pull back." This quote forced me to think about the way I deal with my own children at home. I must admit I over tweak, correct, and complain. It saddened me after reading it that what

the author said is true people do pull back in those situations. I am still pondering the whole article and haven't really put a plan of action together, but my first action will be to apologize and seek their forgiveness.

I share my feelings with you in order to correlate the way I treat my children to how we sometimes treat our students. I can remember times as a teacher when I over corrected, tweaked, and complained in hopes that all my efforts would change my students and help them improve just like I do with my own children. I only want the best for them and sometimes micromanaging seems like the safest option or the option I have most control over. Believing in others on the contrary

forces us to give up control and to stop micromanaging which is very uncomfortable. I encourage you to take a little self-assessment on how well you believe in others and adjust your course if it is necessary for it is never too late to start Believing.

Tell people they're inadequate long enough and they'll believe it. Undermine their confidence with constant correction, tweaking, and complaints and they'll pull back.

Fill people with confidence and they'll act with boldness.

Confidence is built on belief.

7 confidence builders:

1. Confidence in yourself builds confidence in others.

2. Let your joy out. Share how you love your organization. "You know what I love about working here? ....."

3. Believe in others. But, more importantly, help them believe in themselves.

4. Celebrate the qualities in others that make them different.

5. Explain the big picture.

6. Show people where they fit in.

7. Say, "Trust yourself."

## **BOBCAT COURAGE**

...pass it on!

Promote healthy and responsible choices

## **SERVICE LEARNING**



The Service Learning class has hit the ground running this year with fundraising for our White Christmas Project. We are currently selling "That's My Pan". These items would make fantastic Christmas gifts! If you would like to purchase please see a Service Learning member or contact Mrs. Large.

The class is also working with the SOS committee

and guidance department on a Courage Week at the end of October. This week will teach students to have courage when dealing with issues such as drug use and bullying. Students are encouraged to purchase Bobcat Courage t-shirts for \$5. Order forms can be found in the office.

We are also partnering with the Yearbook Staff to host an elementary Fall

Festival on Nov. 1 from 5:00-8:00 pm. All proceeds will be divided between our White Christmas project and yearbook funds.

Mark your calendars! There will be an American Red Cross blood drive on Wednesday, November 19th from 8:00-2:00 in the high school gym! Contact Megan Large to schedule an appointment to donate or sign up online!

## **CATS UPDATE**

The CATS Program is now in full swing! Students have been competing to win Paw Prints each Friday. Currently, Insieme and Gavyn's Guardians are in the lead with two Paw Prints a piece. In addition, post cards are being sent home for students who show great Character, Attitude, Teamwork and Spirit. In October, students will be competing in a poster contest, as well as a make-up for money game!

## ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

- Oct. 1..... HS Volleyball vs ST. JOE at home, 5:30p
- Oct. 1..... JH Volleyball at Clay, 5:30p
- Oct. 2..... HS Volleyball vs EASTERN at home, 5:30p
- Oct. 2..... Quiz Bowl
- Oct. 3..... **HS Football vs SYMMES VALLEY at home, 7:30p**  
..... **HOMECOMING**
- Oct. 6..... JH Volleyball vs EASTERN at home, 5:30p
- Oct. 7..... HS Volleyball at Sciotoville Community, 5:30p
- Oct. 8..... HS Volleyball at Chesapeake, 5:30p
- Oct. 8..... JH Volleyball vs SCIOTOVILLE COMM. at home, 5:30p
- Oct. 9..... HS Volleyball at New Boston, 5:30p
- Oct. 9..... JH Football vs SCIOTOVILLE COMM. at home, 5:30p
- Oct. 10..... HS Football at Northwest, 7:30p
- Oct. 11..... Valley Band Competition, 11a
- Oct. 13..... JH Volleyball vs NEW BOSTON at home, 5:30p
- Oct. 16..... Quiz Bowl
- Oct. 16..... JH Football vs SYMMES VALLEY at home, 5:30p
- Oct. 18..... HS Football at Notre Dame, 7:30p
- Oct. 18..... Green Band Competition, 11a
- Oct. 23..... JH Football vs MANCHESTER at home, 5:30p
- Oct. 24..... HS Football vs SCIOTOVILLE COMM. at home, 7:30p
- Oct. 25..... Ironton Band Competition, 5p
- Oct. 31..... **HS Football vs OAK HILL at home, 7:30p**  
..... **SENIOR NIGHT**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Oct. 15..... 10th Grade — PSAT
- Oct. 17..... End of 1st Quarter
- Oct. 21..... Board of Education Meeting, HS Library
- Oct. 22..... 11th Grade College Visit to Marshall University
- Oct. 23..... Parent/Teacher Conferences (Evening)
- Oct. 23-31..... OGT
- Oct. 24..... No School — Comp Day for P/T Conferences
- Oct. 27-29..... Bobcat Courage...Pass It On
- Nov. 3-7..... OGT
- Nov. 6..... 11th Grade ASVAB Test
- Nov. 14..... Waiver Day, Students NO School
- Nov. 19..... American Red Cross Blood Drive
- Dec. 13..... ACT test — (test site GREEN)

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Bobcats **BELIEVE!**

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## COUNSELOR'S CORNER

### NEW HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

#### Beginning with the Class of 2018

House Bill 487 updated Ohio's graduation requirements to ensure that all students are ready for success in college and work. As a result, the Class of 2017 (10th-graders in the 2014-15 school year) will be the last students to take the current Ohio Graduation Tests. The new requirements take effect with students entering ninth grade in the 2014-2015 school year (Class of 2018). Additionally, every student in the Class of 2018 and beyond will have the opportunity to take a nationally-recognized college admission exam free of charge in Grade 11. The honors diploma remains another option for students.

#### UNCHANGED

Complete Ohio Course Requirements	State Minimum
English language Arts	4 units
Health	½ unit
Mathematics	4 units
Physical Education	½ unit
Science	3 units
Social Studies	3 units
Electives	5 units

#### NEW

All Students take end-of-course exams:  
Algebra I, and geometry or integrated math I and II  
Physical Science  
American history and American Government  
English I and English II

Students studying Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB) or taking dual enrollment courses in

physical science, American history or American government may take assessments aligned to those courses in lieu of end-of-course exams to avoid double testing.

#### And meet one of the following three:

—Earn a cumulative passing score on seven end-of-course exams. The scores will be set by the State Board of Education.

—Earn a “remediation-free” score on a nationally recognized college admission exam such as ACT or SAT. The State of Ohio will pay for all 11th-grade students in the Class of 2018 and beyond to take the exam free of charge.

—Earn a State Board of Education-approved, industry-recognized credential or a state issued license for practice in a career and for practice in a career and achieve a score that demonstrates workforce readiness and employability on a job skills assessment.