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GHS 2023 REPORT

2022



FROM MR. NELSON

This year began with great expectations for the faculty, staff, students, and families of Gilbert High School. When the faculty and staff met to kick off the school year, we rallied around our theme of "The Time is Now". We knew that our students had gone through so much during the years that were impacted by the Covid pandemic. We knew that our students and their families were ready to move forward with their full potential to meet their goals. We knew that we were the ones who could help them to be successful in these efforts. So we rallied together to ensure that we made the most of each and every day this school year to partner with our students to empower them as effective learners, ethical people, and contributors to a better world. The outcome of this focus has been a year filled with the joy of learning, the excitement of being together as a whole school to celebrate one another, and students making tremendous progress as learners. As you will see in the highlights contained in this report, it has been a highly successful year for GHS. I'm so proud of our learning community for how they support one another, and I know that the best is still yet to come for Gilbert High School.



MISSION AND MULTI-YEAR IMPACT GOALS

At GHS we will intentionally focus on building relationships that raise expectations and on relevant rigor in teaching and learning that empowers faculty and students to be effective learners, ethical people, and contributors to a better world.

Gilbert High School students are effective learners, ethical people and contributors to a better world who utilize critical thinking to solve problems relevant to their lives, future, and community.

Gilbert High School students will exemplify integrity, empathy, and a growth mindset in order to be effective learners, ethical people, and contributors to a better world.

Gilbert High School students are effective learners and ethical people who are empowered to produce complex and authentic work that contributes to a better world.



THE HIGHLIGHTS

- Introduction of Freshman Academy structure to support student success and transition to high school
- Adoption of student-centered, critical thinking and inquiry-based curriculum in Algebra 1, Biology, and Chemistry
- Students analyzed Gilbert demographics and population data to create a proposal for a Farmers Market to positively impact the Gilbert community
- Students completed the "Stories of Rosenwald" project containing oral histories, portraits, and a community display that highlight the graduates of the Lexington Rosenwald School.
- GHS Band placed 8th in the state SCMEA competition
- GHS Winter Guard placed 2nd in the state SCMEA competition
- Skills USA Team won state
- GHS FFA: 1 place Livestock CDE Team; 2nd Place Wildlife CDE Team; 2nd Place Ag Mechanics CDE Team; 3rd Place Dairy Judging CDE Team
- 37 GHS students received the Seal of Biliteracy

