



# Parent Bulletin

June 2011 Volume 8

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## From Our Principal

Dear Great Bridge High School Families,

As we wrap up the 2010-2011 school year, we would like to thank the following individuals or groups for helping to make this school year such a success:

- **Thank you, Teachers and Staff** for providing GBHS students with a solid academic foundation and demonstrating real interest in their lives and their futures
- **Thank you, PTSA** for providing GBHS with such wonderful support throughout the year and closing with a very memorable After Prom celebration for our students
- **Thank you, Club Sponsors, Class Sponsors, and Athletic Coaches** who give so much of their time to support students in their personal interests and successes
- **Thank you, Great Bridge High School Community** for offering such support and a strong desire to keep the traditions and pride alive in our school

And most importantly, thank you, **GBHS STUDENTS**. YOU are why we exist as a school family and you have made us proud on so many occasions. Seniors, you will be missed. We wish you nothing but success in your future endeavors. Continue to do great things.

Enjoy your summer!

All the best,

*Sheli Porter*

Sheli Porter  
Great Bridge High School Principal



### Special points of interest:

- Time Recovery
- Student Winner
- Senior Reminders
- Give Honor Where Honor is Due



## Summer School Information

Summer school will begin Monday, June 27 for students in grades 9-12. All courses are designed for thirty days.

**The courses will only be offered if there is sufficient enrollment.**

Registration, including payment, should be completed by June 16 in the GBHS Guidance Office.



## Class of 2011!

REMINDERS FOR SENIORS:

Exams:  
June 8—B Day Classes  
June 9—2nd & 3rd Block  
June 10—1st & 4th Block

Graduation Practice:

June 14—4:00 PM  
\*Mandatory for all Seniors.

Graduation:

June 15—7:30 PM  
\*Graduates are to report to the Ted Constant Convocation Center no later than 6:30 PM  
\*\*GRADUATES—NO CELL PHONES





## Time Recovery

### **TIME RECOVERY CENTER (TRC) PROCEDURES AND GUIDELINES:**

According to Chesapeake Public Schools School Board Policy, a student missing more than nine (9) days in a class will not receive credit for the course. The student is allowed to make up a maximum of two classes per course through the Time Recovery Program. Students who plan to participate in Time Recovery must check with their teacher prior to attending the Time Recovery Center to see if any specific work is to be completed. If the teacher decides not to assign any specific work, the student is expected to study independently on course material from that class for which time is being recovered. Students must attend one 90-minute study session for each class. For example: If a student wants to make up a day of absence in English and a day of absence in History, he/she must attend two afternoon study sessions, or an entire Saturday session.

**\*Students not working on assignments will be asked to leave without credit for the make-up day.**

The Time Recovery Center dates and times are as follows:

- ◆ Wednesday, June 1, 2011 from 3:45pm to 5:15pm
- ◆ Thursday, June 2, 2011 from 3:45pm to 5:15pm
- ◆ Saturday, June 4, 2011 from 8:00am to 11:00am
- ◆ Monday, June 6, 2011 from 3:45pm to 5:15pm



If a student plans to request extenuating circumstances for excessive absences (12 or more) for a particular class, he/she **MUST** still attend the Time Recovery Center to make up two days of absence from that class. A maximum of two days may be recovered per class.

## Elie Wiesel Writing Competition

### CONGRATULATIONS

### *ASHLEY KIPLE*

Ashley Kiple has won first place in the Senior Poetry Division of the Elie Wiesel Writing Competition.

Elie Wiesel is a Romanian-born Jewish writer, Nobel Laureate, and Holocaust survivor. He has written 57 books, including *Night*, a work based

on his experiences as a prisoner in the Auschwitz and Buchenwald concentration camps.

Every year, the Holocaust Commission invites middle and high school students to participate in writing and visual arts competitions named in Mr. Wiesel's honor. The competitions guide students in their exploration of moral courage, the dangers of prejudice, peer

pressure, unthinking obedience to authority, and indifference.

The competitions are underwritten by the Simon Family Foundation and Towne Bank. Winners are honored at the annual [Yom Hashoah](#) program in the spring.



## Congratulations Ashley Kiple!

### PTSA—Proposed Board 2011-2012

- President .....Lisa Long
- 1st Vice President.....Tina Castleton
- 2nd Vice President.....VACANT
- Treasurer.....Debbie Wilson
- Recording Secretary.....Tricia Hardy
- Corresponding Secretary .Anne Frey



**Visit the GBHS web site; click on the PTSA tab (at the bottom) find all PTSA information!**



### A Note From The Nurse

Parents – Please stop by the clinic to pick up any medication that you have dropped off for your child this year. It is against school policy for students to bring home their medication. All medication that is not picked by the last day of school will be disposed of. Please contact the clinic if you need to make other arrangements. The GBHS clinic number is 482-5191, then ask to speak with the nurse.

Have a safe and healthy summer.

Mrs. Enriquez, RN

**REMINDER: Pick up medication from the clinic.**



### After Prom

Thank you to all the volunteers that help make this years After Prom a huge success. We could not have done it without you. A special thank you to Lisa Bonnett, who was this year’s “After Prom” chairperson. Lisa along with her team: Cammy Frasier (decorations) and Rachael Chastenat (Food) coordinated a fabulous evening for the senior and their guests.

**Job well done!!!**

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### E-Mail Safety

As many of our students leave Great Bridge High School for new jobs, college experiences, and summer vacation, we need to remind them to be careful when using their email. It is important that they are aware of the fact that there are new hoaxes all the time. Hoax-slayer is a great site set up to debunk and educate users about these dangers.

<http://www.hoax-slayer.com/>



**Be aware there are new hoaxes all**

# Give Honor Where Honor is Due

You can honor a Great Bridge High School Alumnus who has served his or her country through service by inducting him or her into the Wildcat Walkway of Honor.

You can purchase a brick with the alumnus' name inscribed on it, and it will be placed in the Walk Way of Honor located at the front of the school. In addition, you will be contacted when ceremonies are conducted honoring new inductees into the Walk Way of Honor. The Walkway will host special ceremonies and will be maintained by the GBHS Air Force JROTC Cadet Corp.

Any person can honor a GBHS Alumnus if the alumnus meets one of the following criteria:

Served honorably or is currently serving in an U.S. Armed Forces to include Coast Guard, U.S. Reserve Forces, or National Guard;

Retired form or is currently serving as a member of a Federal, State, or Local Law Enforcement Agency, Fire Department, or Rescue Service.

A 4" X 8" brick is \$55.00, and the inscription engraved on the brick is limited to 2 lines with no more than 14 characters per line, including spaces.

GEORGE M SMITH  
ARMY CLASS 80

EXAMPLE

JEAN SMITH 02  
US COAST GUARD

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_


Please make checks payable to Great Bridge High School.

Mail to the following address:  
Great Bridge High School / JROTC  
301 Hanbury Road West  
Chesapeake, VA 23322

Thank you for your support and honoring those who serve.

Any questions can be directed to MSGT Graham, USAF (ret) at Great Bridge High School JROTC Office  
757-546-3651 (Phone or Fax) e-mail [grahacal@cps.k12.va.us](mailto:grahacal@cps.k12.va.us)

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Wildcat  
Tradition and  
Pride

*The mission of Great Bridge High School is to raise the achievement of all students by meeting their diverse needs through a comprehensive and rigorous curriculum in a supportive social environment, working together with their parents and the community to prepare them for life's challenges as productive citizens and lifelong learners.*



Home  
of the  
Wildcats

We're on the Web!  
[cpschools.com/Schools/GBH/index.html](http://cpschools.com/Schools/GBH/index.html)



## Dates to Remember

June	2	Chorus Concert, 7:30 PM
	7	Orchestra Concert, 7:30 PM
	8	Spring Sports Recognition, 7:00 PM
	14-16	Exams
	15	Graduation, 7:30 PM

**Congratulations**  
**CLASS OF 2011!**