



GTS Basketball: More Than Just a Game

Did you know GTS has a basketball team? If not, you probably didn't know that they have started the season off strong with a 2-1 record! Cheering on our team is exciting, but what's even more thrilling is how the players are showing that character matters just as much as athletic ability.

Led by two of our dedicated Behavior Managers, Mr. Martise and Mr. LaMont, the team isn't just learning basketball skills, they are learning important life skills too. Both coaches are committed to ensuring that each player not only excels in the game but also understands the importance of teamwork, discipline, and respect for themselves and others. Whether it's showing sportsmanship during the game or making responsible choices during class time, our players are becoming role models for their peers.

As we continue to cheer on our team both on and off the court, let's keep supporting their hard work and dedication. We are incredibly proud of everything they've accomplished so far, and we look forward to seeing them continue to shine in all they do!



BLACK HISTORY FESTIVAL: WINNERS

Group 1:

- 1st Place: LS3 (Ms. Gayle's class)
- 2nd Place: FS1 (Ms. Edith's class)
- 3rd Place: AS1 (Ms. Helen's class)

Group 2:

- 1st Place: MS4 (Ms. Jasmine's class)
- 2nd Place: MS2 (Ms. Ophelia's class)
- 3rd Place: MS3 (Ms. Pauline's class)

Group 3:

- 1st Place: AS7 (Mr. Gary's class)
- 2nd Place: AS6 (Ms. Latrice's class)
- 3rd Place: HS2 (Ms. Jess's class)

Best in Show: AS7 (Mr. Gary's class)



FEBRUARY STUDENT AWARDS



GUESS
how
many
there
are
in
the jar!



During the month of February, students were able to guess how many pieces of candy were in the jar. The following students were the closest and won a prize!



THANK YOU!

March is National School Social Work Month, and Green Tree is thrilled to celebrate the incredible contributions of our school social workers! These dedicated professionals go above and beyond to support students' well-being, providing guidance, advocacy, and essential resources to help them succeed. Their compassion and commitment create a positive impact on our entire school community, ensuring that every student feels heard, valued, and empowered. This month, we honor and appreciate the vital role they play in fostering a safe, supportive, and thriving learning environment. Thank you, school social workers, for all that you do!



Pennsylvania Technology Summit

March 6th from 9am to 4:30pm

This event will include a panel of technology users to give advice, share their stories and answer questions about how to use technology for independence, accessibility, virtual, and remote solutions.

Resilient Roots: A Wellness Workshop for Parents and Caregivers

March 23rd from 10am to 12pm

This free workshop, hosted by JFCS and Family Matters, will provide caregivers with a supportive space to explore breathwork, movement, and mindfulness techniques that promote resilience and balance. Register by March 14th.

2025 Autism Fathers Conference

April 5th from 10am to 2pm

This gathering is designed to provide fathers of Autistic individuals a supportive space to connect, share, and empower one another. Cost is \$10, lunch will be provided and limited scholarships are available. If you need financial assistance and would like to attend, please email Jamiel Owens (owensjd@chop.edu) no later than March 21st. This event is open to non-male caregivers as well.

Inclusion Community Initiative Fair

April 12th from 10am to 1pm

This event will include guest speakers and resources from organizations all over Philadelphia that service the neurodiverse community.

School District of Philadelphia Secondary Transition Fair

April 30th from 10am to 1pm

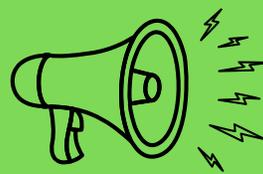
The Secondary Transition Fair will provide resources for families and students with special needs, grades 9th -12th and up to age 22. Representatives from colleges, technical institutes, service organizations and providers, state agencies and work-based learning programs will be present to answer questions and meet with students and families.

PACHS 2nd Annual Transition Fair and Intern Showcase

May 14th from 4 to 6pm

This event is an opportunity for transition aged students and their families to access valuable transition resources related to employment, adult day services, community participation, and independent living.

For registration information for the above events visit:
<https://www.phillyautismproject.org/event-calendar/>



EVENTS AND MORE

Healthy Relationships and Sexuality Group for Neurodiverse Adults

Wednesdays March 26th-May 14th

for more information contact Kim at kim@peacefulgrowththerapy.com

COMPLETE A SURVEY AND RECEIVE A \$20 AMAZON GIFT CARD

TO BE ELIGIBLE:

- **CAREGIVER OF A CHILD K-8TH GRADE**
- **LIVING WITH THE CHILD**
- **DIAGNOSIS OF AUTISM AND/OR ADHD**

IF INTERESTED PLEASE E-MAIL:

HCPARENTINGEXPERIENCESTUDY@GMAIL.COM
CONDUCTED BY DR. SHU-WEN WANG AT HAVERFORD COLLEGE

The Job Search:

Planning and Supports

Presented by Northstar Career Center.

March 11, 2025 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

During this online event, you will learn about:
Lining up the details: emails, IDs, online applications, etc. Importance of work experiences
Role of an Employment Service Organization (ESO) and Job Coach
Keynote speaker
Holly Peele - Northstar Career Center
Tamara Wain - Career Support Services



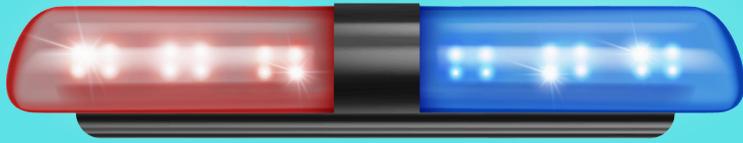


EVENTS AND MORE CONTINUED

Would you like your neurodiverse child to work on their social skills development group before the school year ends?

Art of Friendship Social Skills Groups:

Girls Groups | Boys Groups | Co-Ed Groups | Non-Binary Affirmative
Registration is Open for February and March
visit: <https://www.artoffriendshipsocialskills.com/>



Help Us Shape the Future of Autism Awareness

During Traffic Stops in PA!

Ausomeness Inc. is working to redevelop an important program aimed at improving communication between law enforcement and individuals on the Autism spectrum during traffic stops. This program will be used across the state and recognized by all state and municipal police officers, as well as first responders.

We want YOUR input! Whether you're an individual with Autism, a family member, caregiver, advocate, or professional—your perspective is crucial.

Take a few minutes to complete our survey and ensure that this program meets the needs of ALL individuals on the Autism spectrum. Your feedback will help create a safer, more inclusive environment for everyone.

<https://forms.office.com/r/z7nZQKxwzt>



Sunday, March 30th, 2025

11:30am - 3:00pm

Lincoln Financial Field

Huddle Up for Autism is a fun-filled day designed especially for the needs of kids and teens on the autism spectrum and their families. It includes all-ability activities, locker room tours, sensory-friendly games and resources, and special appearances by Philadelphia Eagles players, Eagles Cheerleaders, and SWOOP!

for tickets go to:

[https://am.ticketmaster.com/eagles/buy/e](https://am.ticketmaster.com/eagles/buy/events)
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Camp Pegasus

NEW THIS YEAR: TWO HALF-DAY CAMPS:

8:30am-11:30pm for 4-8 year olds**

12:30pm-3:30pm for 6-11 year olds**

6-8 year olds must choose either the morning session or the afternoon session, but not both.

DURATION: Six weeks, broken into three 2-week sessions: July 7th-August 15th

SUCCESSFUL PARTICIPANTS are well-regulated behaviorally independent neurodiverse children with ADHD, autism, learning differences, and anxiety.

Participants are broken into three age groups: 4-5 year-olds (pre-K and K), 6-8 year-olds, and 9-11 year-olds.



LOCATION: The offices of the Art of Friendship/Child and Family Art Therapy Center:
600 Haverford Rd. Haverford, PA 19041

For more information go to: <https://www.camppegasus.com/>



ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

3/9/2025

DAYLIGHT
SAVINGS

STUDENTS THAT
ARRIVE AFTER
9:00AM, MUST BE
ACCOMPANIED BY A
PARENT/GUARDIAN.

HALF DAYS
3/12 AND 3/26

NO SCHOOL
2/17



NEURODIVERSITY
AND BEYOND



Saturday, April 5, 2025
11 am to 3 pm
Green Tree School & Services
1196 E. Washington Lane
Philadelphia, PA 19138
Rain Date: Saturday, May 3, 2025

