

Gourdine

Quarter 2

Volume 1

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GAZETTE



NOVEMBER 16 - DECEMBER 11, 2020

"I think it is possible for ordinary people to choose to be EXTRAORDINARY!"

-Elon Musk

INSPIRATIONAL
INPUT

Principal's Paws

"Gratitude should not be just a reaction to getting what you want, but an all-the-time gratitude, the kind where you notice the little things and where you constantly look for the good, even in unpleasant situations. Start bringing gratitude to your experiences, instead of waiting for a positive experience in order to feel grateful."

Mareliisa Fábrega

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**Dedicated
to the IJG Family**

**Mrs. Leatriz Covington,
Principal**



▶ **RESPECT**



▶ **OWNERSHIP**



▶ **ACCEPTANCE**



▶ **RESPONSIBILITY**



▶ **SERVICE**



Important Dates

- * **December 9th-11th**
- Q2 Progress Report Grade Entry
- * **December 11**
- No School for Students
- * **Dec. 24th-Jan. 1st**
- Winter Break
- * **WICOR Wednesdays**



Celebrate

**8th Grade Q1 HONOR ROLL ASSEMBLY
Wednesday, December 2, 2020**

**7th GRADE Q1 HONOR ROLL ASSEMBLY
TBA...Please stay tuned!!**

**6th GRADE Q1 HONOR ROLL ASSEMBLY
Friday, December 18, 2020**

CLASS CAPERS

AVID classes are rocking out with Guest Speakers! Ms. Gail Haywood and Ms. Theresa Dudley addressed AVID students on 2 separate WICOR Wednesdays. Topics included how to obtain and maintain good grades and Ms. Dudley specifically reminded our lions to try to "deposit" positive sayings, actions and thoughts into their self-esteem bank accounts.

Go LIONS!

Attention! Attention!

8 WAYS TO PRACTICE GRATITUDE TO BOOST YOUR WELLBEING



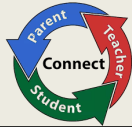
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Shout Out to George Mason University!

The IJG Family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the presenters from the Mason Nation! Students were actively engaged in the presentations and asked some awesome questions.

PREPARING STUDENTS TO BE COLLEGE AND CAREER READY!

Advancement via Individual Determination



AVID Advantage

AVID is geared towards helping students obtain the qualities and skills necessary for them to be college ready and to possess lifelong skills. AVID is purpose-built, rigorous and allows students to be the creator of their own destiny!



Guidance Gurus

Your Professional School Counselors have been quite the busy bees! Mr. Jones has been hosting parents each morning during "Coffee & Chat" sessions. Ms. Leftwich hosts Counseling Connect classes in google classroom for ALL grades. Ms. Glasgow, our school registrar, also works quite diligently in the Guidance Department each day on the front line.



Way to Go Guidance!

ROAR like a lion!


@IJG_middle

CHECK THIS OUT!

The Thanksgiving Rap!

Ready Percussion!



Meet Kid President!



Kid President's 25 Reasons to be Thankful!

(2015)

Nutritional Nuggets



School Lunches are free for all!

Mon. & Wed.

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Student Meals



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Tech Challenges?

[Google Classroom Overview](#)

[Clever Overview](#)

[Video Conferencing \(Zoom/Google Meet\)](#)

[How to set up a PGCPs iPad](#)

[How to set up a PGCPs Chromebook](#)

[How to reset a student password](#)

1JG Website:

<https://www1.pgcps.org/isaacgourdine/>

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Read to Succeed!

Check out what's happening in the Media Center!

<https://ww1pgcmls.info/events>

To check out ebooks and audiobooks, visit online:

SORA through CLEVER

Webster's Words

douse

intact

aromatic

proclivity

benevolent

Teacher Tidbits

- * *Remind students of your standards and expectations.*
- * *Use data to drive your instruction.*
- * *"Be a voice for each and every student."
-NEA*

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

November 16-20, 2020

"This is a time to celebrate the achievements of public education and acknowledge the contributions of all those who make a difference in students' lives.

It's a week when teachers, parents and support professionals recognized for the hard work and dedication each brings to making the state's public schools helping students to be the best they can be."



<https://www.publicnewsservice.org>

*Thanks to the IJG Admin Team for recognizing the hard work and dedication of the teaching staff!
Dinner was on them!*



NURSE'S NOOK

COVID-19 Precautions:

- * Wash hands regularly with soap and water.
- * Practice social distancing (6 feet apart).
- * Avoid touching your face.
- * Cover mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing.
- * Stay home if you feel unwell.

Have a Heaping Helping of Health Awareness

- **Community Resources** - The Prince George's County Health Department has programs and resources open to all community members.
- **Giant Food Stores Nutrition** - check out the [Giant Food Stores Nutrition](#) site for upcoming webinars, wellness blogs and podcasts in the month of December!
- **American Diabetes Association** - Take a [60 sec assessment](#) to determine your risk for diabetes!

ALL PARENTS/GUARDIANS!

Please update your information in the Parent Portal such that you receive pertinent notices and instructional input. If assistance is needed, visit the IJG homepage to request said assistance.

Thank you!

ALL STUDENTS!

Be reminded that Quarter 2 progress report grades will be submitted December 9th-11th!