

# Highlander Summer 2019

**Bookbus:** The GCS book bus will be coming around on Wednesdays this Summer. The following schedules apply for different dates.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9 – 11 – Tusculum View Elementary School</li> <li>2 – 3 – YMCA Back Parking Lot <b>May 29 &amp;</b></li> <li>3 – 4 – Boys and Girls Club <b>June 5 &amp; 12</b></li> </ul>                            |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9 – 11 – Tusculum View Elementary School</li> <li>2 – 3 – YMCA Back Parking Lot</li> <li>3 – 4 – Boys and Girls Club <b>June 19</b></li> <li>5:30 – 6:30 – Trinity United Methodist Church</li> </ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1:30 – 2 – Tusculum View Elementary School</li> <li>2 – 3 – YMCA Back Parking Lot <b>July 17</b></li> <li>3 – 4 – Boys and Girls Club</li> </ul>                                                      |

**Flag Day:** On June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress took a break from writing the Articles of Confederation and passed a resolution stating that “the flag of the United States be 13 stripes, alternate red and white,” and that “the union be 13 stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation.” In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson marked the anniversary of that decree by officially establishing June 14 as Flag Day. As you celebrate the anniversary of the Stars and Stripes, here are some fast facts about “Old Glory.” - [www.history.com](http://www.history.com)



<b>A Look Ahead:</b>	July:	2—First Full Day of School
June:	23 Registration Blitz	
6—D day	9-12	
14—Flag Day	31—Abbreviated Day	
19—Juneteenth	August:	

**Registration:** You should have received your snap-codes to register your child via InfoSnap in early May. We will be having a registration blitz on Tuesday, July 23, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. If you have Internet access at home, you can register your child at anytime and not have to come to the Blitz. You can access the registration page from our main web page, [highland.gcschools.net](http://highland.gcschools.net), hover over the parent button, then click the Registration link in the drop down menu. You will be registering a returning student.

**Amazon:** This is a reminder that if you are shopping from [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) this Summer, to add a smile, by going to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) to make the purchase. This will allow you to designate a percentage of your purchase to help a non-profit of your choice, including our own Greeneville City Schools Education Foundation. Now that is something to smile about!

**Reading:** It is important that students do not stop reading during their summer break. They can get books from the Greeneville– Greene County Library weekdays or from our GCS Book Bus on Wednesdays at the locations and times on the schedule. Students can use My-On and Epic if you have a connected device. Students can get to their Launchpad under the students tab on our web page.



**Juneteenth:** Juneteenth is the oldest known celebration commemorating the ending of slavery in the United States. Dating back to 1865, it was on June 19th that the Union soldiers, led by Major General Gordon Granger, landed at Galveston, Texas with news that the war had ended and that the enslaved were now free. Note that this was two and a half years after President Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation - which had become official January 1, 1863. The Emancipation Proclamation had little impact on the Texans due to the minimal number of Union troops to enforce the new Executive Order. However, with the surrender of General Lee in April of 1865, and the arrival of General Granger's regiment, the forces were finally strong enough to influence and overcome the resistance. This is very similar to our local August 8th Celebration here in Greeneville. To find out more about this, contact the George Clem Multicultural Association - [www.juneteenth.com](http://www.juneteenth.com)



**D-Day:** During World War II (1939-1945), the Battle of Normandy, which lasted from June 1944 to August 1944, resulted in the Allied liberation of Western Europe from Nazi Germany's control. Codenamed Operation Overlord, the battle began on June 6, 1944, also known as D-Day, when some 156,000 American, British and Canadian forces landed on five beaches along a 50-mile stretch of the heavily fortified coast of France's Normandy region. The invasion was one of the largest amphibious military assaults in history and required extensive planning. Prior to D-Day, the Allies conducted a large-scale deception campaign designed to mislead the Germans about the intended invasion target. By late August 1944, all of northern France had been liberated, and by the following spring the Allies had defeated the Germans. The Normandy landings have been called the beginning of the end of war in Europe. - [www.history.com](http://www.history.com)



**Digital Sign:** Our digital sign on the What's Happening tab of our web page will be updated during the Summer, so please check it out regularly to know what is going on with Highland over the Summer. We feature a scrolling marquee of what's happening, as well as a Twitter feed, and the latest morning news.



**Father's Day:** The nation's first Father's Day was celebrated on June 19, 1910, in the state of Washington. However, it was not until 1972-58 years after President Woodrow Wilson made Mother's Day official - that the day honoring fathers became a nationwide holiday in the United States. Father's Day 2019 occurs on Sunday, June 16. - [www.history.com](http://www.history.com)



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