



GROWING UP GREEN II
CHARTER SCHOOL

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PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

Growing Up Green II Charter Schools: Jamaica,
NY
February General Meeting
Tuesday, Feb. 11th
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Zoom Link: [CLICK HERE](#)

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AGENDA

1. Opening & Agenda Review
2. Approval of last month's minutes
3. Guest speaker: Legacy After School
Program Director
4. PTO Financials Treasurer Report
5. Emergency Election
6. Co-Presidents' Report
7. Middle School Rep Report
8. Elementary School Rep Report
9. Old and New Business
10. School Leaders Reports
11. Open Discussion & Closing

Legacy After School Program Q&A

Special guest speaker today

The Director of the Legacy After School program,
Mr. Edison Bardowell

- Are snacks provided during the afterschool program?
- Who is responsible for supervising the afterschool program?
- Could you outline the activities that take place during the afterschool hours?
- Is there an anti-bullying policy in place for the afterschool program?
- What is being done to address the ongoing bullying issues within the program?
- How many students are currently enrolled in the afterschool program?
- Are students grouped together by grade, or do they remain in a single room?
- What is the duration of the registration process for the afterschool program?
- Why isn't the homework completed during the program reviewed more thoroughly?
- Why are we required to pay the full tuition for months when students are out on school breaks?
- Why are students who cannot afford the program unable to participate, particularly if it would benefit their educational development? Is it possible to offer free seats for low-income families?

Legacy After School Program Q&A

Program Quality & Curriculum:

- What specific educational or enrichment activities are included in the program, and how do they align with child development goals?
- How are staff members trained and qualified to provide a safe and engaging afterschool experience?
- Can you provide a detailed breakdown of the robotics and other new activities, curriculum, and instructor qualifications?

Communication & Transparency:

- What is the protocol for notifying parents of policy changes, disciplinary actions, or incidents involving their children?
- How do you ensure that communication with parents is professional, respectful, and collaborative rather than punitive?

Billing & Fees:

- Can you clarify the late pickup fee structure and justify how \$3.99 per minute, per child, is determined? Is there a grace period?
- Why does the contract state that payments will be collected "by any means necessary"? What consumer protections do parents have?

Program Accountability & Improvement:

- What measures are being taken to improve the quality of care and engagement in the program based on past parent feedback?
- Are there opportunities for parents to provide input or serve on a committee to help improve the program?

Future Plans & Commitments:

- What specific improvements do you plan to implement in the next school year, and how will you ensure accountability in meeting these goals?

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Emergency Election

Co-Secretary Position
Co-President Position



PTO Financial Treasurer's Report cont.

February, 2025

GUGII PTO	
PTO Treasurer's Report	
Completed by	Charmelle Germain
Report Date	02/01/2025
Opening Balance	
Amount	4359.07
Income Summary	
Categories	Actual Income
Sales (snacks, raffles, etc)	0
Fundraising Proceeds	0
Donations	0
Other Sources (If Any)	0
Expenses Summary	
Categories	Actual Expense
Event Costs	66.27
Supplies	0
Bank Fees	0
Others (If Any)	0
Closing Balance	
Amount	4292.8
Budget Comparison	
	\$15 in venmo and \$25 in cashapp included in total
Significant Variances (If Any)	
Areas of Concern or Improvement	
Notes & Comments	
Notes	Supplies for Clothing drive were the only expenses spent.

PTO Financial Treasurer's Report February, 2025

- We had a starting account balance of \$4359.07.
- Spent a total of \$66.27
- Closed January Account with \$4292.80





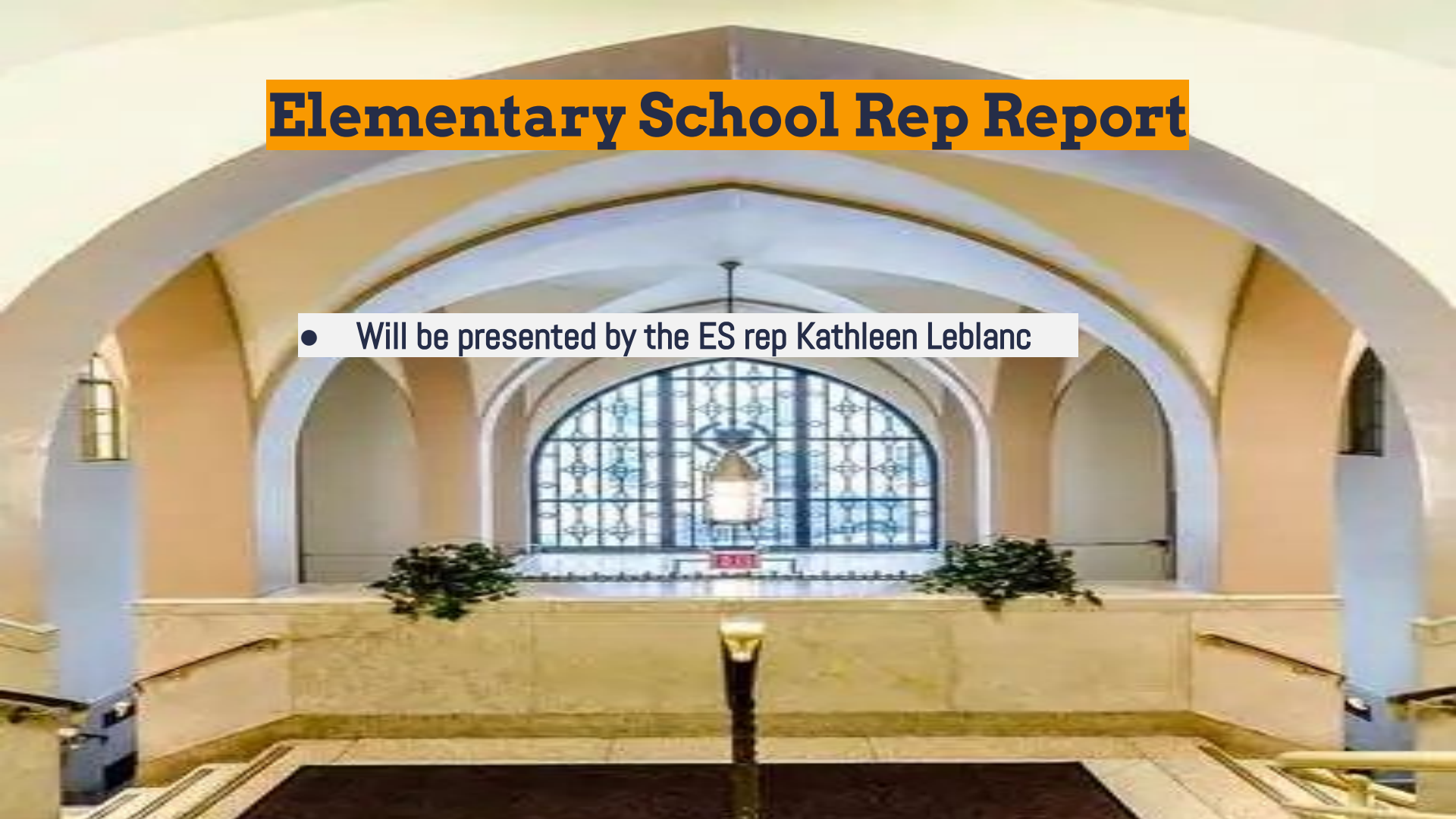
Co-President's Report



- Clothing drive link on parent square (REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE).
- Thank you to the families that donated.
- Thank you to the families that picked up some donations.
- Thank you to the families that came out for the boutique.
- School store is open.
- Thank you for our volunteer parents.
- Use this link to shop our school store [SchoolStore - School Search](#)

Elementary School Rep Report

- Will be presented by the ES rep Kathleen Leblanc



OUR CORE VALUES

Middle School Rep Report



Kindness

Presented by the MS rep



Collaboration

Alicia Sledge



Courage

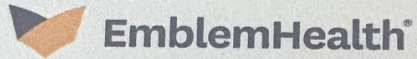


Social Justice



Old Business

- School Store
- Clothing Drive
- Health Insurance Info Session on 1/2



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New Business

- Looking ahead
 - a. Bingo nights:
 - i. Last Friday of Every Month until June
 - ii. Friday 02/28/2025 from 4:30 p.m to 6:30 p.m
 - b. Sip and Paint:
 - i. April 11th



BINGO NIGHT

A GUG II PTO Fundraiser

Friday, February 28th

4:30pm-6:30pm

First game starts at 5pm

GUG II Elementary School Gym

All K-8 families are welcome!

Get your tickets
now on Eventbrite!

Password: GUG2PTO

Limited Seating: 50 Tickets available



<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/family-bingo-night-tickets-1230912896609?aff=oddtcreator>

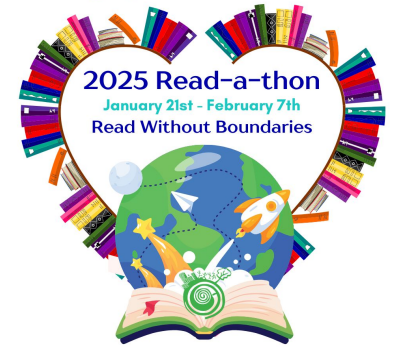


February School Updates



K-8 School Updates

Growing Up Green Charter Schools



- Read-a-thon Update: www.gugcs.org/GUGRead-a-thon
 - Thank you for supporting reading!
 - \$7,900 raised so far
- Picture Retake Day 2/13
 - Elementary: <https://forms.gle/wwcSdjR9tqzhsaEm8>
 - Middle School: <https://forms.gle/HBYzk6eG6of2nqL5A>
- NYC School Survey (DOE) now open!
 - Participation is one way the Board of Regents measures our Family Engagement and it has a direct impact on the outcome of the Charter Renewal.
 - Complete one survey for each child at GUG.
 - Pizza Party competition!
 - Take the survey online. Families will use a lower case "f" followed by their child's OSIS number as an access code when taking the survey online at [nycschoolsurvey.org](http://nycschoolssurvey.org).
- Immigrant Rights Resources
 - Parent Square: <https://www.parentsquare.com/feeds/41759392>
- The DOE's Summer Rising registration opens March 4th



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MID-WINTER
Break!

FEBRUARY 17TH-21ST





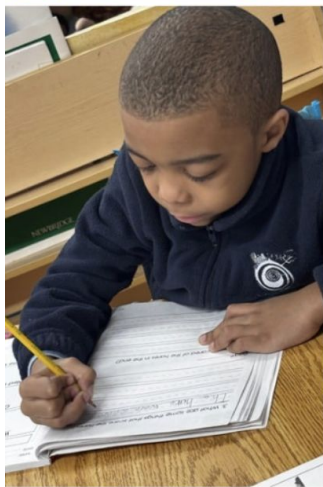
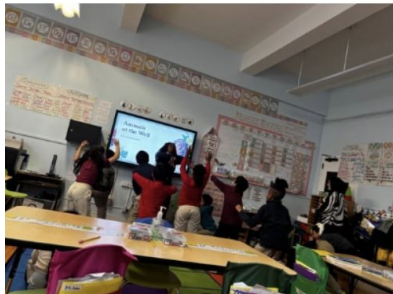
Elementary School Updates

- 2/12 Open Gym
- 2/14 Community Circle
- 2/24 100th Day of School!
- Parent Coffee 2/25- Math Focus:
 - Guitar & Step Performance
- 3/5 4th Grade Camp Herrlich Info Session (6:00 - 7:00)
- 3/6 & 3/7- Virtual Conferences





Recent Snapshots at G2 ES






Middle School Updates


- Spring Clubs start March 1st
- Spring Sports - Soccer, Outdoor Track, Flag Football, Volleyball
- Black History Month Celebration - Student Performances and professional guest drummers
- 2/25 Intro to State Testing Workshop with Dr. Wong (zoom at 6pm)
- Coffee and Collaboration with School Counselors on March 5th to discuss test anxiety and offer resources

Growing Up Green Middle Schools




HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD AT HOME

**Intro to State Testing
for Middle School Families**
Tuesday, February 25th
6:00 PM

 Join us virtually on zoom!

We invite you to our informative family workshop where you will learn:

- What testing looks like at GUGCS and why we approach it differently from other schools
- The transition to computer-based testing
- What to expect on testing days
- How to prepare your child
- The importance of a good night's rest and a nutritious breakfast
- Receiving your child's scores and what they mean





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THANK YOU!

Next Meeting on
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Stay Connected!

We would like to hear from you. Send us questions,
comments and ideas below!

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