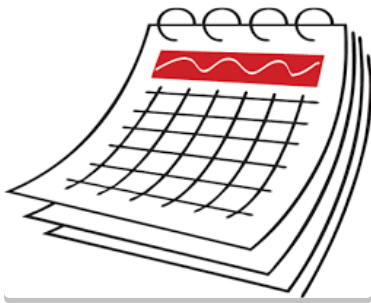


Continuing Ed. Connection

November 2019



Don't Forget!

There are some great opportunities coming up for you to learn and collaborate! Check out our November PD offerings:

- **November 4** - Curriculum Overview - Writing and Planning Strategies for Grades 5-8
- **November 5** - PD & Popcorn: "Remembering Our Why"
- **November 7** - Active Inspire
- **November 7** - How to Ping Your Students with PONG
- **November 11** - Curriculum Overview - Writing and Planning Strategies for Grades K-4
- **November 14** - How to Ping Your Students with PONG
- **November 18** - Curriculum Overview - Writing and Planning Strategies for Grades 5-8

Registration for November courses is available in Eduphoria:
<https://gisd-eduphoria.greenvilleisd.com/authdistrict/login>

Continuing Ed. Welcomes a New Face

We would like to welcome and introduce you to Jennifer Boone. Jennifer serves as Secretary to Continuing Education, Secretary to School Leadership, and WMAB Receptionist. Jennifer comes to us with extensive office and customer service experience. We are excited that she has joined the GISD Family!



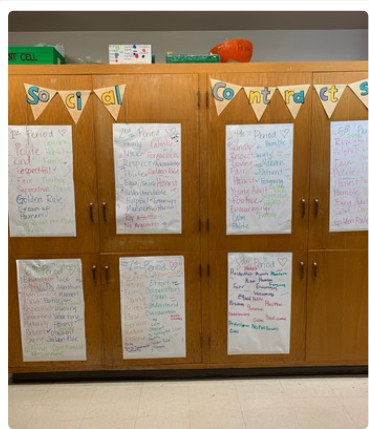
Shout Outs

Capturing Kids' Hearts in Action

LPW's students put their palm print of approval on their classroom social contract. Students got to have their hands covered in paint and used them as "signatures" on the classroom contract poster. What a fun way to carry out CKH!

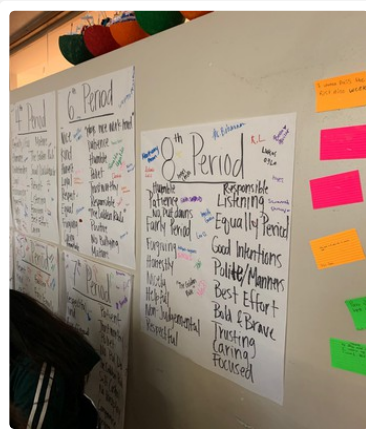


GMS Rocks CKH Social Contracts & Goal Setting!



7th Grade Science Social Contracts

Ms. Craven proudly displays her Science classes' social contracts in her classroom!



7th Grade Reading Social Contracts

Ms Miller and her 7th graders are rocking CKH!



7th Grade Science Goal Setting

Awesome job Ms. Bohannon and your 7th graders for proudly setting and displaying your goals!

Fabulous Work at LPW!

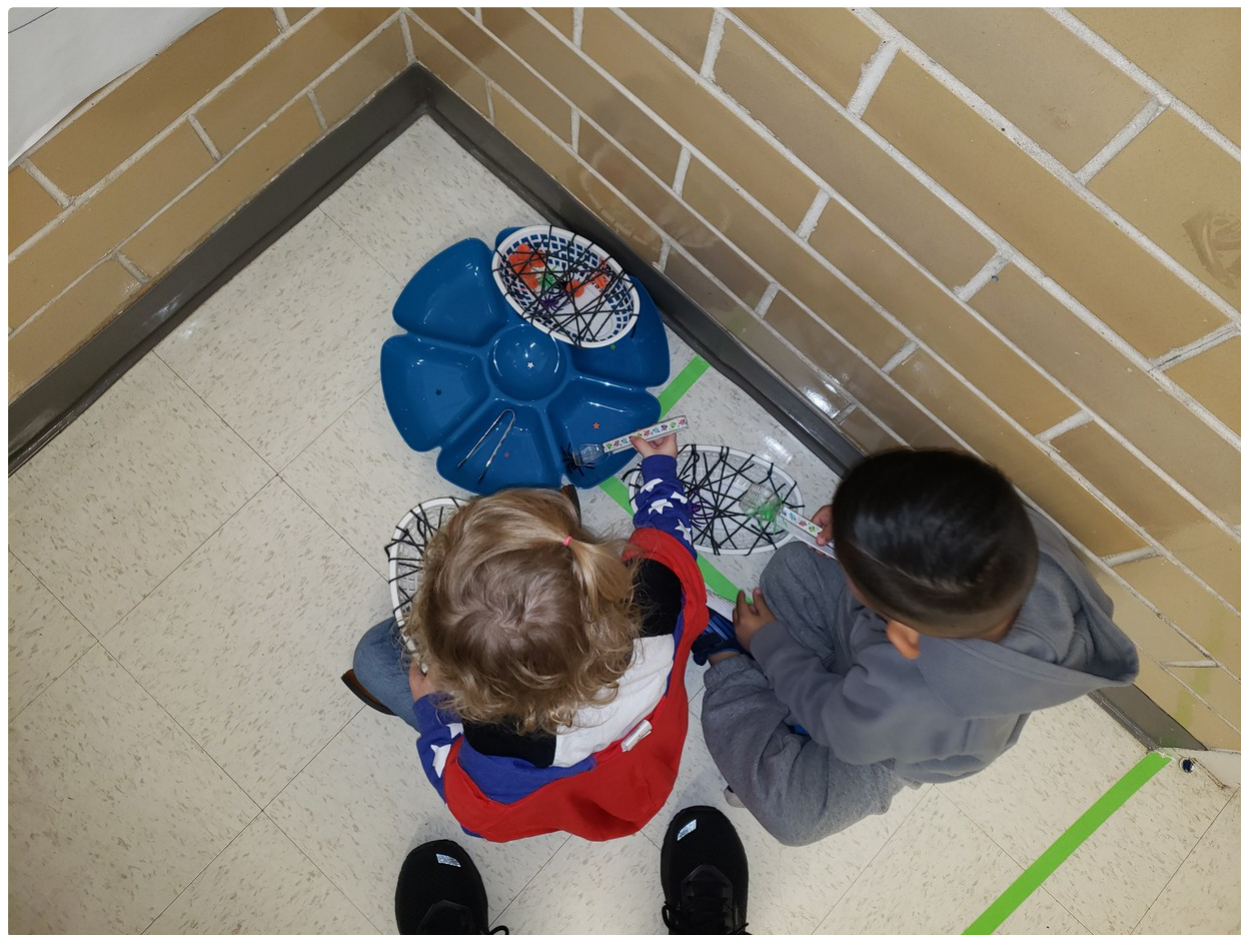
Check out these wonderful action shots from Josie Luna's PK3 class. This is what student engagement is all about.

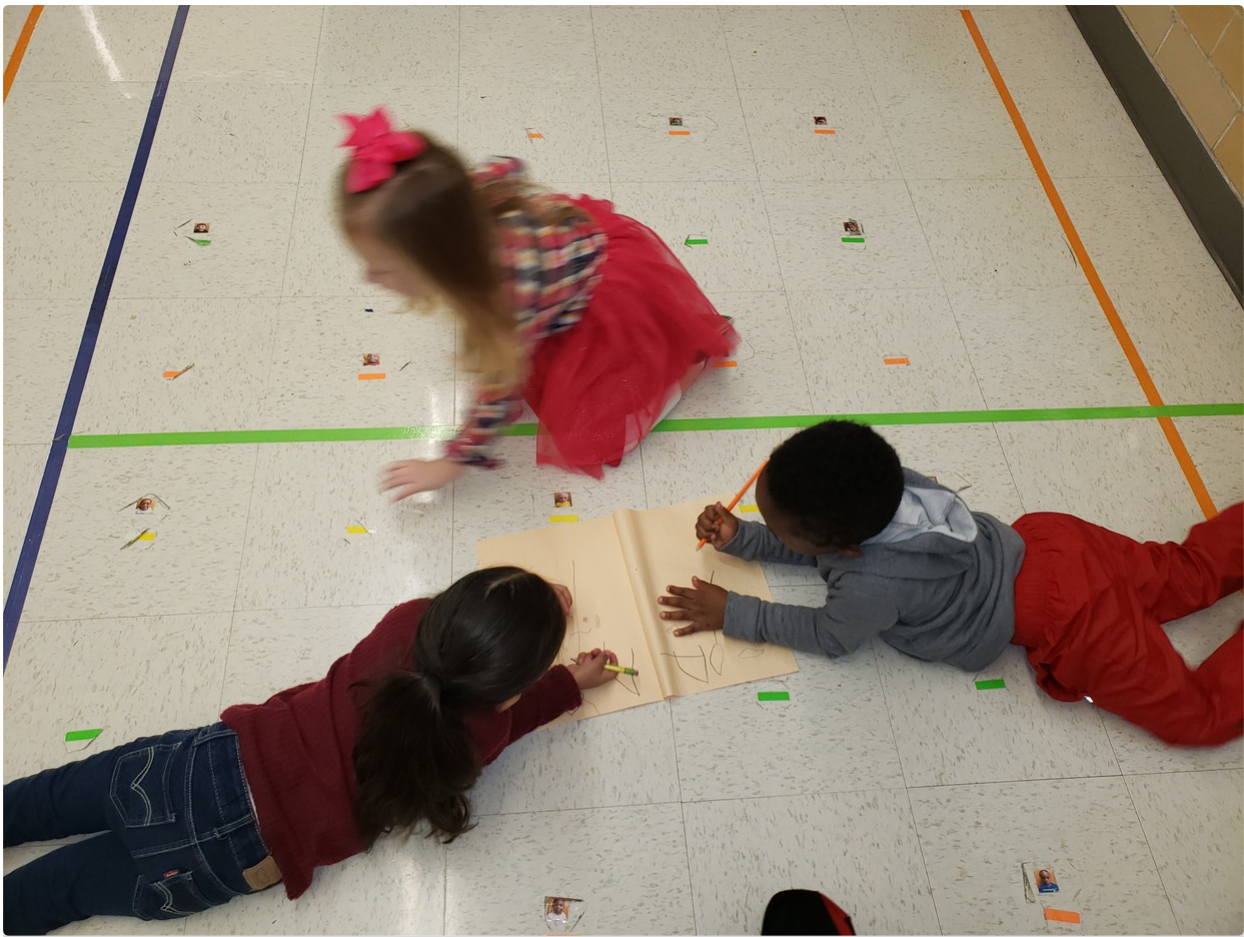
In the first picture, the students are working together to get the spider and the pumpkins out of the basket. They are using different sized tongs. The student on the left was showing the student on the

right how to hold and squeeze the tongs correctly.

The second picture captures two students working together on a shared assignment. This is a great moment that shows it is never too early to teach and exemplify sharing and collaboration.

LPW is all about teaching students the importance of helping and sharing!
Great work Ms. Luna!



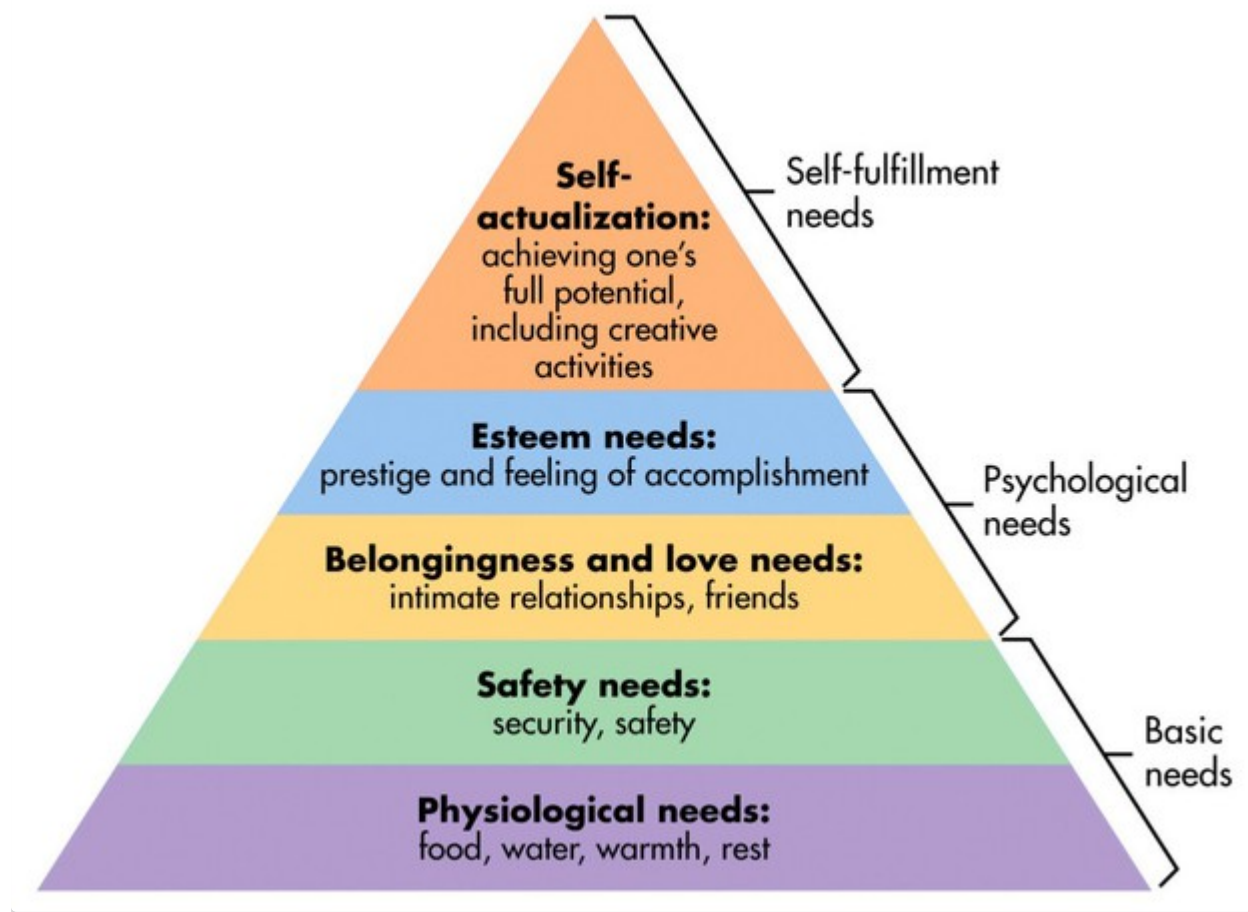


November Mandt Moment

As we enter into a month that celebrates gratefulness, it is good time to pause and realize that many of our GISD students and families do not have some of the basic things that we may take for granted each day.

The Mandt System points out that many individuals that we encounter and serve daily in education do not have their basic human needs accounted for consistently. If people do not have their basic needs met, their focus will be on getting those needs met. For example, "When there is a three-day weekend, students involved in the free breakfast or lunch program will gorge themselves because they are not sure when or how much they will have to eat during those days" (The Mandt System, 2017).

We are all familiar with the Maslow's pyramid. But, take a moment to look at it in a fresh way. Do you know students or families that are struggling in a specific area of the pyramid? Do you have students that struggle to feel they like they belong? Do you know of children that are uncertain if they can reach success or accomplishment? When you think about a lack of warmth, sleep, or safety, do you see specific faces?



Now, think about each individual you pictured. Are they also struggling in classes, in other areas of life, with learning, etc? If people have unmet needs that fall into areas at the bottom of the pyramid, they will be unable to move up to the next levels successfully. Education, though, focuses on the top of the pyramid becoming a reality. What does that mean for us?

We need to know our GISD students and families. When we see needs, we need to do our best to fill those needs. Find the moments where you can help fill vulnerability and esteem gaps. Love them, and remind them of their value. Remind students that in this district, in our classrooms, with GISD teachers and staff, they are important, and they are safe. Success for every child is more than academics. Success for every child is starting with their basic needs and finding ways to help them climb the pyramid to be all they are capable of being!

Make that connection! Change that life!



Happy Early Thanksgiving!

Since there will not be another Continuing Ed. Connection until December, we want to wish everyone an early Happy Thanksgiving. We are grateful to work with such wonderful people! Thank you for all you do for our students and GISD! GISD Rocks!



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Please share your ideas and thoughts with us. What would you like to learn? Do you have something exciting to present? We would love to hear from you!

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