

Dear Bulldog Parents and Families:

After a successful third year, DAWGS 360 is now a vibrant and vital part of the GWA Experience! Allow me to introduce you to the features and benefits of this fantastic GWA organization.

## What is Dawgs 360?

Dawgs 360 was created to engage our entire community across all facets of student life at all grade levels. The organization has a three-fold mission; it aims to build community, ensure every student's interests are equally valued and supported, and find meaningful ways to involve parents in the life and mission of the school.

And as for benefits? Your \$360 membership provides the following for your immediate family members who live in your household:

- admission to all concerts, plays, and performances
- admission to all home athletic competitions (The only exception will be playoff games, as GHSA requires that everyone pay for admission and they take a percentage of the gate receipts.)
- Field trips for both the student and the member chaperone (overnight and Winter Term field trips will require an additional fee)
- Class parties
- A 10% discount on all regular-priced apparel at the Dawg Shop

Additionally, Dawgs 360 is simply your best vehicle to get involved at GWA. It is the clearinghouse for all volunteer opportunities on campus. It's a 360 degree turn, a full circle of influence that promotes and celebrates Bulldog school pride. In other words, come as you are! We're happy to help you find the right fit regarding individual interests. (Please see the next page for a partial list of opportunities.)

## Dawgs 360 IS NOT...

a fundraiser or money maker for the school. We still rely on your gift to the Annual Loyalty Fund, GWA's most important donor-supported initiative, each and every year. We also ask that you consider other ways you can support the school through our Corporate Partnership program, the IMPACT campaign, the Steve Whitley Scholarship Fund, the Lucky Dawg Gala and other opportunities. DAWGS 360 provides a direct benefit to all families by providing all of the items listed above. The funds generated through your membership dues go directly to funding student life opportunities.

## Dawgs 360 IS...

a convenient and money-saving way to enjoy athletic and arts events, cover the cost of class parties and field trips and enjoy a discount at the Dawg Shop! Participate as a volunteer in many fun and exciting GWA programs and events listed on the next page.

## **Dawgs 360 Volunteer Opportunities**

Ambassador Family Alumni Events Lucky Dawg Gala

Senior Class BBQ Dawgs Unleashed Events Ice Cream Social

Bonfires Campus Cleanup Day Athletic Team Parents

Classroom Readers Grandparents Day Veterans Day

Beach Day Classroom Parties Dawg Shop Volunteers

Field Day Holiday Programs Drama/Chorus/Music Support

Graduation Homecoming Pep Rallies

Career Services Athletic Activities Community Engagement

Field Trip Chaperone Band Events Teacher Appreciation Week

Get involved with the event of your choice! Meet face-to-face with other parents, interact with students and collaborate with GWA faculty. There is no limit to what we can accomplish when we work together.

Due to circumstances surrounding Covid-19 continuing to change around the globe, Dawgs 360 will continue to make timely decisions about events after considering guidance from local and national health authorities. Our decisions are based on the safety and well-being of our families, students, faculty, and staff since there is nothing more important than that. We thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

We look forward to making 2022-2023 a great year and thank you in advance for your support!

Please feel free to send me an email at <a href="mailto:emcdonel@gwa.com">emcdonel@gwa.com</a> if you're interested in volunteering as part of Dawgs 360 or if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth McDonel

Director of Dawgs 360