



NOW AND AGAIN NEWS

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UB Supports Gifted Education

Starting this spring semester (2023), the Graduate School of Education, our program's home department at UB, is taking another step to support the education of gifted children and teens. Teachers across New York can now choose to add an [advanced certificate in gifted education](#) to their New York state certification by taking an online four-course sequence through UB.

The certificate program prepares teachers to meet the unique social, emotional and intellectual needs of gifted learners. Teachers will develop strategies for scouting talent in their schools. They will learn how to help their schools implement ethical and equitable practices for non-biased identification and services. A second (non-certification) track is open to teachers outside of New York along with other interested non-certified educators.





GMP Competes in Toronto

Six GMP students are heading to Toronto on November 6th for the Berkeley Math Tournament. This is a satellite location for the tournament which is run by students from the University of California, Berkeley. Around 1,800 students from around the world participate in the tournament yearly.

If you are looking for more math fun and competition, consider joining the GMP Competes Club. Members meet from 4-5:30 p.m. (middle school) or 5:30-7 p.m. (high school) with our coach, Mr. Goehrig, and work on problems in an informal atmosphere. Whether you want to hone your contest skills for the AMC and other competitions, or just enjoy solving problems with friends, you are welcome at these sessions. To sign up for the club, contact [Mr. Goehrig](#). More information can be found on the [GMP Competes page](#).

Ready for Winter

We are thinking ahead to our Buffalo winters. This year, we will be taking advantage of our ability to go remote when the bad weather comes. In order to prepare, we will be holding **a day of online instruction on Wednesday, November 30th**. If we have several snow days this year, we will use remote instruction after the first of them. The first snow day, if any, will be a traditional cancellation.

In the event of inclement weather, information about GMP closures will be announced on [WBEN](#) Radio 930 AM, [WGRZ](#), and [WKBW](#). We are always closed to in-person learning when the University is closed and sometimes when the University is not closed.

We will also continue using the notification feature this year through Remind.com. Remind is an application that will allow you to receive a text message on your phone whenever GMP classes will be cancelled due to weather-related issues. Follow [these instructions](#) to subscribe to GMP's Remind feed.

Our students come from schools all over Western New York. If the weather is causing problems where you live, **PLEASE** remember to use common sense when determining if the trip to UB will be a sensible one. We would rather have you miss class than put lives and property in jeopardy. Students will be excused from class when parents decide not to drive due to weather.





Distinguished Accomplishments

Grace Czech (GMP V) was selected to join the National Honor Society this year.

Brandon de Jong (GMP III) will play the Euphonium in the Area-All State Band.

William Deinzer (GMP VI) organized a benefit piano concert in support of his brother, Luke, and The Summit Center. The proceeds went directly toward [The Summit Center](#) to support educational and behavioral services for children and adults with autism.

Ozzy Enis (GMP IV) was the top JV runner on the WEHS cross-country team, recording new personal-best times under 20 minutes over 5K. He was also accepted into the Brandeis University Better-To-Learn program, a college-level program of advanced studies for high school students.

Talula Enis (GMP III) set new personal-best times on the WEHS Swim team. She was also accepted into the Brandeis University Better-To-Learn program, a college-level program of advanced studies for high school students.

Joseph Gavacs (GMP V) has achieved the highest rank in Boy Scouts, Eagle Scout. This accomplishment takes years of work to complete.

Brandon Hsu (GMP IV) recently received the US Squash Scholar Athlete Award for 2021-2022.

Ethan Ivanick (GMP I) has been working to build and expand his balloon animal business. He has worked at several fairs and birthday parties over the last couple months and kids adore his creations! Hopefully, you will see Ethan's Balloon Twisting at an event near you soon!

Abigail Laski (GMP I) was named player of the game in her tackle football game on October 8.

Adeline Lugo (GMP II) tried out and made the Amherst Girls Softball League 14U Lightning travel softball team where she plays pitcher, second base, and first base, and leads her team with a batting average of .538. Adeline also plays piano in the jazz band at Amherst Middle School.

Michael Wang (GMP IV) performed his Piano Guild programs for the National Piano Guild Auditions and was awarded national honors. He is now a member of the National Fraternity of Student Musicians for 2022-2023 by the American College of Musicians in Austin, Texas.





We are happy to recognize the accomplishments of our students. Call the office or send us an email (gmpmath@buffalo.edu) and tell us about your activities so we can include them in a future issue of GMP's Now & Again News!

Welcome to our New Staff!

Aliya Hyman, GMP II Teaching Assistant

Collin Searles, GMP I Teaching Assistant

Cailey Shum, GMP III Teaching Assistant

Calendar Mentions

- GMP 3-6 students who registered for the AMC 10/12 will take the test on Thursday, November 10 at 7:00pm.
- No class will be held on Wednesday, November 23rd as part of the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Winter break begins on December 19th. Students return on January 2nd.

We in GMP wish all of you a happy
and healthy holiday season!

