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Good Afternoon GVHS Community,

We are almost to the end of the 2023-24 school year, and we are looking forward to all of the activities that will take place next week to honor Great Valley's Class of 2024. There has been a lot going on at the high school this week!

On Tuesday May 28, the Great Valley Esports Team went to Harrisburg to compete in the Chess State Finals for the Pennsylvania Scholastic Esports League. The finals consisted of three individual matchups and the champions would be decided after each best of three series. Varun Senthil, Darshan Gokulraj, and Rahul Senthil played lights out, each shutting-out their opponents, from Parkland High School, in 2-0 sets and being crowned State Champs!



Also on Tuesday, our students heard from Carlos Ojeda, Jr., a youth empowerment speaker and the founder of CoolSpeak. Each grade level heard his message on empowering students to succeed by teaching them that their voice is their power. In conjunction with this message, students also attended a cultural fair during which they learned about different communities and cultures through music, games, dancing, and trying different foods.



On Wednesday, May 29th, the Cardiac Emergency response team had their biannual drill. Lindsay Flanagan from CHOP's Youth Heart Watch program attended the drill and afterwards awarded GVHS with the distinction of being a Cardiac Safe School through their program. Lindsay noted that this was one of the best drills that she has witnessed. GVHS is one of only a few schools in Chester County to hold this honor.



Have a terrific weekend!

Sincerely,

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