Dear GCS After School Child Care Families: April 3, 2023 Happy Spring and Easter to all! We hope that everyone had a great and relaxing Spring Break as well. It is hard to believe that there are only a few months left before the end of the school year already. There is no after school child care this coming Friday, April 7th, as there is no school for the students that day. The March bills went out last week, so please be sure to let us know if you do not receive yours in the mail. Payments are due by April 20th, and they are due in full at that time or a \$10 late fee will be applied. This will be strictly enforced. You can pay with either cash or a check at each school, or you can call the Board office from 8:00 to 4:00 p.m. each day to pay by credit card. Here are a few other important reminders—please pick up your child no later than 5:15 (or you will be charged a late pick-up fee); no snacks from home (because of allergies), or toys from home are allowed to come out of the children's backpacks during the After School Care program, as we don't want any items disappearing or getting lost. It is great to see and feel some warmer weather lately, but we do ask that you continue to dress your child in layers and weather-appropriately. Our Michigan weather keeps us on our toes, and it seems to change continuously. We will be going outside every day unless it rains, so be sure to send the appropriate clothes for your child. Please let us know of any After School Care change of plans and schedules for your student, so we can adjust our daily class rosters. We also ask that you make sure to turn in any phone or address changes, so that we can keep our emergency forms current. We continue to remind you that we have many security protocols in place for our buildings: We keep our buildings locked at all times for your child's safety, so everyone must come to the front of NOE and SME and the gym entrance at GIS to sign out your child. We will then bring them to you for pick-up. We will continue to check identification and cross reference emergency cards when an individual we do not recognize is picking up a child. So please bring your ID's with you. Again, this is for the safety of the children. Thank you so much for partnering with us for your child's after school child care needs, and we appreciate you very much. Have a great month of April! Most gratefully, Karla Hawkins Multi-Site Program Director of Gaylord Community School's After School Programs P: 989.705.3018 | F: 989.732-6475 hawkinsk@gaylord.kl2.mi.us www.gaylordschools.com