

# Gladiator Times

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### **Mr. Telesca Bans the use of Crocs.**

Thanks to the arrival of Principal, Mr. Telesca, a lot of change has come to EC Goodwin Tech. From more positive mornings, to more order throughout the halls. Mr. Telesca has strived to make EC Goodwin a better school for the benefit of his staff and students.

However, there has been a plethora of misconduct involving our dress code from students bending around the rules; to simply not showing up in uniform at all. Due to this behavior, Mr. Telesca has made the decision to prohibit the use of Crocs until the dress code is once again respected.

It's been made clear to Mr. Telesca that this decision may affect the reaction of our student population. However, he thinks this is the best way to correct the dress code violations since it is something that students had fought to have made as a part of the dress code in the recent past. Not only to mention the safety regulations that Crocs violate.

Mr. Telesca has tried to compromise with the use of Crocs in the school building but the violations of the dress code are where he draws the line. Staff are encouraged to enforce the banning of Crocs once again. Students who do not abide by the new standard will be reported to Mr. Telesca himself. And on behalf of this message, Newspaper Club and Mr. Telesca would like to say....**April Fools!**



Name: Mrs Amber Hammond

## “Health Tech...healthcare heroes of the Future”

This year a brand new shop has been brought to E.C. Goodwin: Health Technology. The curriculum to be expected in this shop is: freshman year the main focus is the introduction of healthcare, as a sophomore they go into learning the Health Career Cluster. Junior year is when students are able to get their Nursing Assistant Certification. And lastly; senior year focuses on Medical assistance and Advance Career Exploration. And all of this is taught by our brand new teacher Mrs Hammond.

Even though this isn't my shop, I did still experience it through Freshman Exploratory and the trade is very interesting but is also a lot of hard work. Mrs Hammond is also an extremely kind teacher who is very passionate about the trade and E.C. is lucky to have her as a teacher.

I asked one of the Health Tech students about Mrs. Hammond and what they think of the trade and they said that Mrs Hammond is a very respectful teacher and she makes the theory fun and interesting. They said she cares about people's opinions and is very organized and they like how they always learn something new everyday.

**Birthday:** March 13

**Why did you pick E.C.?** Husband was a teacher here and said what a wonderful school it was

**Why do you like the trade?** Has been interested since highschool and has been a nurse for the last 16 years. Loves educating and helping people as well as being a part of their stories.

**Greatest Fear:** Ants and something getting into her eyeball

**If you had to teach another trade besides your own what would it be?** Hairdressing

**Proudest Accomplishment:** Receiving a Nightingale awards for excellence in nursing in 2014

**Favorite Food:** Ice cream, mangos, pizza, bagels

**Hobbies:** Dancing, singing, going to musicals/ live shows, listening to music, reading, and relaxing by the pool.

**Biggest pet peeve:** When the kitchen counter is messy

**Dislikes about the trade:** Delivering bad news to patients

**If you had a million dollars but only one day to spend it, what would you do?** Take all of their friends to disney world

**Favorite color:** Green

**Claudia Lopez**

***EC Goodwin - Behind the  
Scenes***

**April 1, 2023**

E.C. Goodwin is a place full of familiar, helpful, and friendly faces at every corner. One of my many pleasures as a journalist for the Newspaper Club is getting to meet and talk with the people who make our school run that don't always get the recognition they deserve.



I recently had the pleasure of speaking with one of these people, the delightful Mrs Dayanara Galas.

Mrs Dayanara is the main office assistant and one of the first faces you see when you walk into our school. She has been a part of E.C.'s community since December covering for the previous office assistant, Mrs Judith. Mrs Dayanara's job as the office assistant includes many different things.

For example, she gives kids who are tardy passes so that they are able to head to their classes and then updates that information on Powerschool. She also answers phone calls that come in while assisting our assistant principal with substitute schedules. "I basically tell them what classes to cover from the teachers that call out," she says on what that specific job entails.

Outside of her job here at school, Mrs Dayanara likes to go on lots of hikes and she enjoys dog sitting. When asked if there was anything she'd like people to know, Mrs Dayanara smiled and responded, "If they need any help, I'm always here."

Like always, I'm grateful to have had the opportunity to talk to Mrs Dayanara, one of the many cogs that help the wheel that is our school work rhythmically.

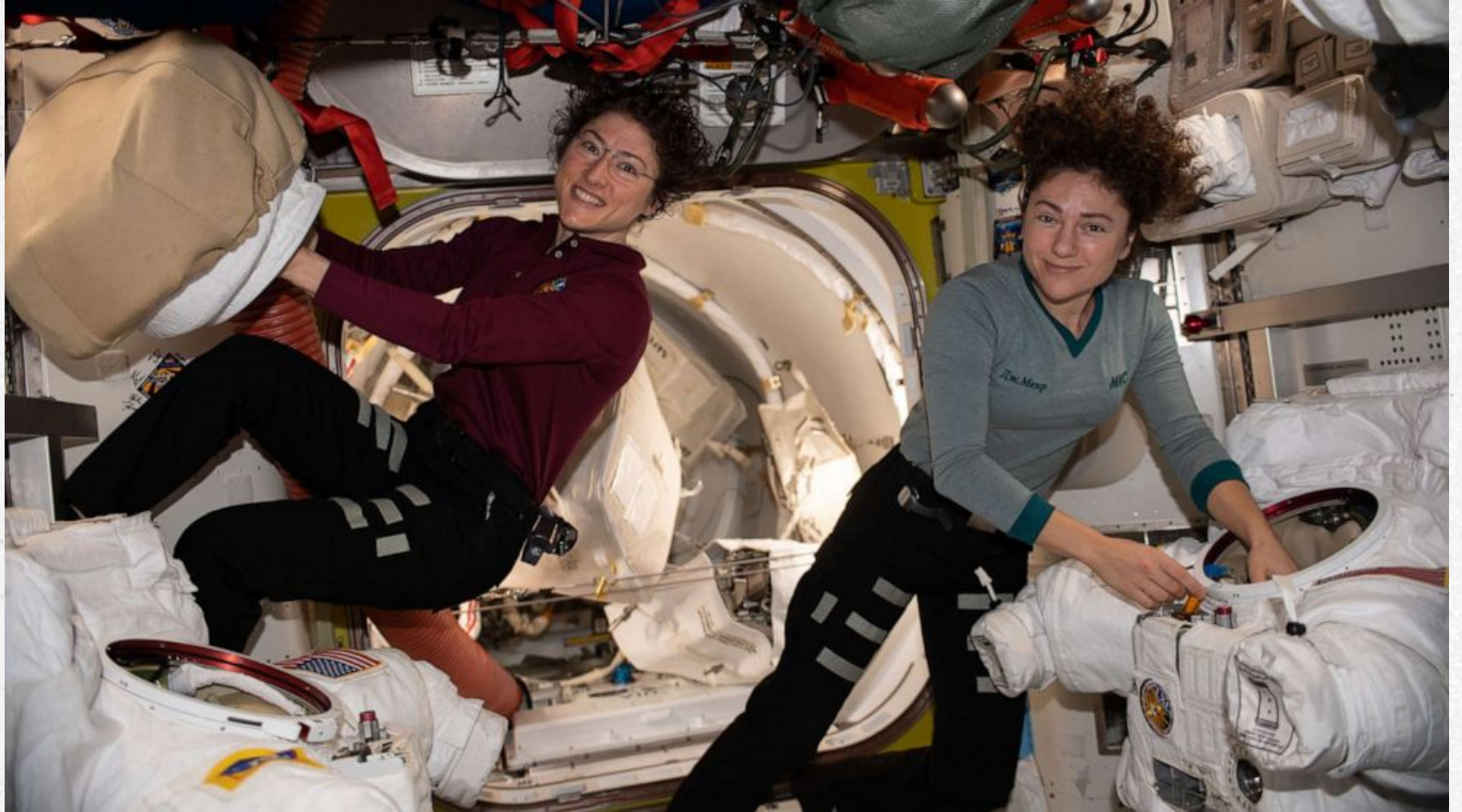
**Jeremiah**

**Women's History Month:  
Jessica U. Meir**

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Jessica U. Meir, born July 1, 1977 is a first born American astronaut from Swedish and Israeli heritage who was selected by NASA in 2013.

She holds a bachelor of arts in Biology from Brown University, a master of science in Space Studies from the international Space University and a Doctorate in Marine Biology from Scripps Institution of



Oceanography. She was raised in Caribou, Maine and loved cycling, skiing, hiking, running, soccer and SCUBA diving. She is a private pilot and is fluent in conversational Swedish and Spanish. She has gained several awards and has done groundbreaking research in the fields of biology, earth science, human research etc.

Along with Christina Koch she conducted the first three all-female spacewalks in 2019, totaling 21 hours and 44 minutes. She has spent a total of 204 days 15 hours and 19 minutes in space during her career. In 2024 NASA plans to go back to the moon and Jessica and Christina are candidates to become the first woman to ever walk on the moon.

Both photos are from NASA





April Fool's Day, which is celebrated every April 1st. The day is notorious for playing pranks and hoaxes on each other and often saying "April Fools!" But have you ever wondered how April Fools Day came to be?

Some historians believe that April Fool's goes back to 1582 when France switched from using the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar. In the Julian calendar as in the Hindu calendar, the new year began around April 1st from the Spring Equinox. Back then before people had cell phones or the internet to get information quickly; the people were slow to hear the news or did not know about the news that the new year had moved to January 1st. These people continued to celebrate New Year's during the last week of March and began having pranks played on them. The pranks consisted of having paper fish on their backs and being referred to as "poisson d'avril" also known as April fish. The April fish supposedly symbolizes a young, easily caught fish and a gullible person.

April Fool's Day spread through Britain during the 18th century. For example, in Scotland the tradition became a two-day event. It started with "hunting the gowk" and then it was followed by "Tailie Day" which was playing pranks on people's behinds. Such as pinning fake tails on them or placing "kick me" signs on them.

Now that you know more about the origins of April Fool's Day, you understand why we celebrate April Fool's Day and how celebration came to be.

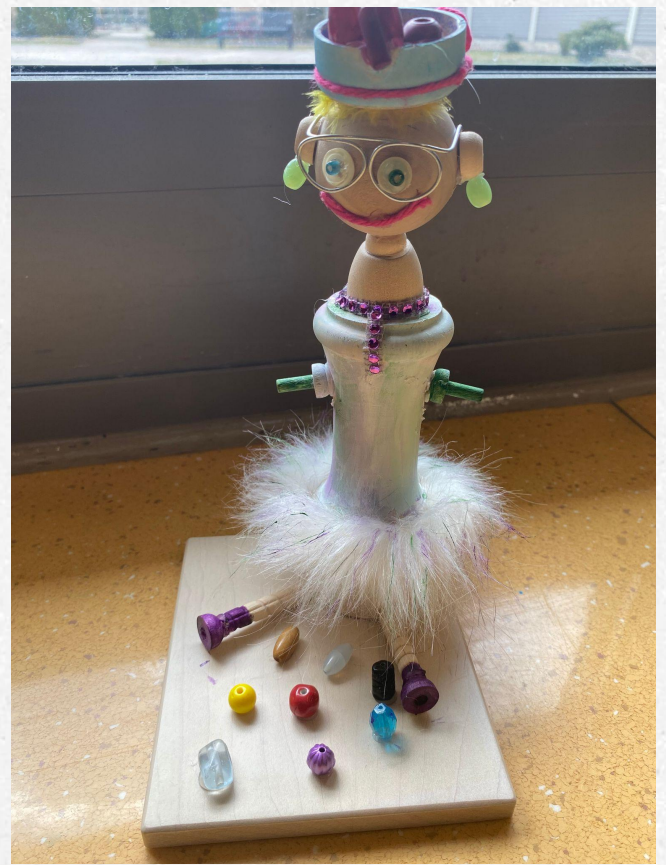
Some famous April Fool's pranks:

In this now-classic 1996 prank, Taco Bell took out newspaper ads saying it had bought the Liberty Bell "in an effort to help the national debt." Even some senators were taken in, and the National Park Service even held a press conference to deny the news. At noon, the fast-food chain admitted the joke and said it was donating \$50,000 for the landmark bell's care. The value of the joke, of course, was priceless.

Google loves April Fools' Day almost as much as making doodles. In 2005, the company said it was branching out with a new drink: Google Gulp. It would help "to achieve maximum optimization of your soon-to-be-grateful cerebral cortex." Also, low in carbs!

Add it to fake Google products including Google Romance, Gmail Paper and Google Voice for Pets. But not Gmail itself, however: That was real







## Editor's Comments

*Building the Newsletter progressively gets more and more challenging. But with the challenge, Newspaper club is provided with a chance to improve. With each new Issue, we ourselves are learning how to work with each other to piece together something that many others can enjoy. We hope you are enjoying each piece that is crafted by some of our many talented students that attend Goodwin Tech. To our parents and staff who are continuously checking in with us, we thank you for your support and kind comments on our work! We could not have a successful paper without the support and interaction of you all.*

*Thank you.*

- *Gladiator Times is looking for a Sports Reporter, do you like sports? Would you like to write a monthly article on our sports teams? If so, contact any member of our Newspaper Team.*
- *If you have any art that you would like to submit for the Gladiator Times let any of our team know and they will let you know how to submit it.*
- *Teachers! If you have any news that you would like to see go into the Gladiator Times please reach out and we would love to come talk to you.*

