

# SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

*We are excited to spotlight the amazing organization of one of our beloved teachers, Mister Anikwe:*

## NEXTGEN CHESS!



NextGen Chess is a non-profit organization based out of Washington, D.C.

Their mission is to expose underprivileged youth to the game of chess to develop critical thinking skills, problem-solving abilities, and confidence. They strive to spark creativity and a lifelong love for learning in children, moving the pieces on the board of opportunity to create a brighter future for the next generation.

NextGen Chess gives children resources that they otherwise would not have access to. The game teaches valuable lessons of perseverance, patience, and planning, while strengthening cognitive ability. Chess equips kids with the tools they need to break away from societal limitations, and think outside of the box.



# To all our parents of High Schoolers...

encourage your high schoolers to submit their creative pieces for publishing at *The WEIGHT!*



*The WEIGHT* is a literary journal that publishes the best of teen voices with a focus on writing that has an emotional impact.

*It was widely circulated on social media that Shakespeare likely composed Macbeth, Antony and Cleopatra, and King Lear in the midst of the Black Death.*

*Taking its title from the ending of Lear, The WEIGHT is a literary journal for high school students who may similarly find themselves in need of a creative outlet. Everyone has something heavy to get off their chest.*

*We welcome all sorts of creative writing: poetry, slam, flash fiction, short fiction, creative non-fiction, hybrid, and whatever else you have.*

*– The WEIGHT Journal, “About”*

Find out more at their website, [www.theweightjournal.com](http://www.theweightjournal.com)

# The Clarksburg Cabin Branch Gujarati Group invites you to join their 2023 Diwali Celebration!



*We are proud to celebrate Hindu festival of lights, and a day of great significance since ancient times in our Indian culture. The celebration will include people of all ages in fun and exciting activities like traditional dancing, music, food, and other fun cultural activities.*

**2022 Year  
Celebration**



This event is also seeking community support via sponsorship! For more information, contact Ronak Patel at (336) 337-1150 or Hemal Chauhan at (201) 912-6915

# chess for all!



To learn more about NextGen Chess and the amazing work they do, find them on instagram at **@next.gen.chess**

To help support their first event this fall, an 18-and-under chess tournament with proceeds going towards purchasing chess sets for DC public schools, **donate to their gofundme at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/nextgen-chess-tournament>**