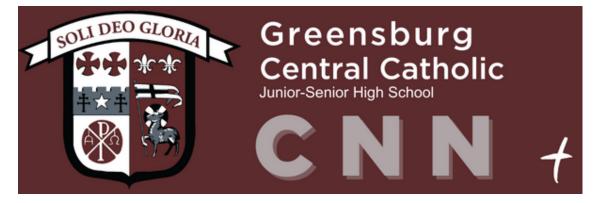
And when the centurion, who stood there in front of Jesus, saw how he died, he said, "Surely this man was the Son of God!" Mark 15:39



February 16, 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

2/19 - Presidents Day (NO SCHOOL)

Athletics Calendar -- Click here to view all upcoming athletic events

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Announcements

NOTE CHANGE IN CALENDAR

On April 12th please note that there will be an early dismissal at 10:40 We will be holding our honor society inductions in the afternoon from 12pm-3pm.

ATTENTION PARENTS/ Boosters

Before you purchase any GCC gear or apparel for sport boosters or any other group, you must adhere to the style guide and have the artwork approved by GCC before you make the purchase. Please email <u>rgrant@gchs.org</u> with any questions and to obtain approval. Thanks

Just a reminder.....

Students can begin entering the school building through the Campus Ministry and Main Entrance Doors at 6:45 am. The Campus Ministry door is locked at 7:37 am. Students must be in their homeroom by 7:40 am. If a student arrives after 7:40 am, he/she must report to the office and will be marked tardy unexcused unless he/she has a note.

Uniform Reminders

UNIFORM REMINDERS:

- 1. Hoodies must be removed once in the building
- 2. Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- 3. Belts must be worn
- 4. Only black socks and shoes are permitted
- 5. Skirt length—if your daughter has been warned twice, and a detention on the 3rd violation has been issued, moving forward she will need to wear approved black uniform pants.

Any questions, feel free to reach out to Mrs. Szmed. <u>TSzmed@gcchs.org</u> <u>BACK</u>

Progress Reports

Attention progress reports were sent via document delivery in PS today.

WPIAL Basketball Playoffs!

To purchase tickets for the basketball playoffs, go to <u>www.gofan.co/wpial</u>. Student tickets are \$5.00 and Adult tickets are \$7.00. All tickets at the gate are \$7.00.

GCC Girls team vs Northgate on Friday, February 16th at 7pm

GCC Boys team vs Frazier is Tuesday, February 20th at 7pm

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Catholic Schools Breakfast Information

A Celebration of Catholic Schools Breakfast

Thursday, March 14, 2024 8:00-10:00 AM

Tickets \$35 per person

Stratigos Banquet Centre 131 Colonial Manor Road North Huntingdon, PA 15642

2024 Golden Apple Award Winners Mrs. Tamara Bernot The Divine Redeemer School, Ford City Mary Queen of Apostles School, New Kensington

Ms. Kimberly Marsh Christ the Divine Teacher School, Latrobe

Mrs. Heather Peters Greensburg Central Catholic Junior-Senior High School, Greensburg

Reservations: DioceseofGreensburg.org/GoldenAppleAwards

Event Highlights











Keynote Speaker: Bishop Larry J. Kulick, Diocese of Greensburg

Master of Ceremonies: Jennifer Miele, Chief Communications Officer

Superintendent: Dr. Nancy Rottler, Catholic Schools of the Diocese of Greensburg

- Presentation of Golden Apple Awards to celebrate exellence in teaching generously provided by the Donahue Family Foundation.
- Awarding of Capital Sustainability Awards to Catholic Schools for their capital projects.
- Recognition of exceptional student achievement through Student Spotlight Awards.

Sponsorship Opportunities: Mike Lucotch

724-552-2503 mlucotch@DioceseofGreensburg.org



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SAVE THE DATE

Greensburg Central Catholic's Annual Auction

Friday April 5, 2024





The committee still needs volunteers to help make this event a success. Please contact Dennis Cremonese, <u>dcremonese@gcchs.org</u> if you are willing to lend your talents to making Lu'au shine.

Next meeting date is Tuesday March 5, 2024 at 5:30 pm in the Cafeteria.



It's Not Too Late to Help

The event is scheduled for Friday April 5, 2024, which is coming fast. It will be a fun evening – an escape to Hawaii. Wear your favorite Hawaiian shirts or dresses.

You can lend your support to the event in one or more of the following ways:

Help secure items to be auctioned

Donate items to be auctioned

Donate a cake from a local bakery for the Dessert Dash

Become a Sponsor

Buy tickets to attend

Get your friends to attend

Contact Dennis Cremonese at 724-834-0310 x4201 or <u>dcremonese@gcchs.org</u> to offer your support.

The money all goes towards making GCC a great place for your students. Let's make this our most successful auction!

Dessert Dash Donations Needed

What is Dessert Dash? You can donate a delicious cake/dessert that can feed at least 8 people from one of the Pittsburgh area's bakeries.

Tables of attendees at the event pool their money to donate to be able to choose their dessert. The table donating the highest amount gets first choice, but don't take too long to choose because the next tables on the list will be on your heels.

Please contact Reyne Kozar at <u>rkozar@cdtschool.org</u> or Dennis Cremonese at <u>dcremonese@gcchs.org</u> to offer your dessert donation. Help make this our most successful auction yet!

Email Questions to / rkozar@cdtschool.org or http://dcremonese@gcchs.org

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Student Art on Display at SAMA

Support our student artists - several GCC students have art on display



FEBRUARY 16 - APRIL 21, 2024 AN EXHIBITION CELEBRATING YOUTH ART MONTH FEATURING STUDENT ARTWORK FROM

WESTMORELAND AND FAYETTE COUNTIES



OPENING RECEPTION SATURDAY, MAR 2, 2024 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

This exhibition is sponsored by the Sigma Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa International Honorary Organization for Women Educators. The Museum suggests a donation of \$1 per person in support of the exhibition.

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TRI-M Texas Road House Roll Fundraiser



Questions email Ms.Lamagna at <u>NLamagna@gcchs.org</u> <u>BACK</u>

NEED Service Hours?

The Partner Parishes of St. John the Baptist, Scottdale and St. Joseph, Everson will be holding their annual fish fry beginning on Feb. 14th and continuing every Friday except Good Friday from 11am-6pm in St. John's School Hall. Volunteers are needed after school (until about 7pm) to help serve food, clean tables, wash dishes and general clean up.

If you need more information, please call the parish office at 724-887-6321. BACK

BLOOD DRIVE

If you want to donate blood on Thursday, February 22, please send your preferred time to Mrs. Ritenour. She will schedule your time before signups for the students begin on Tuesday, February 6.

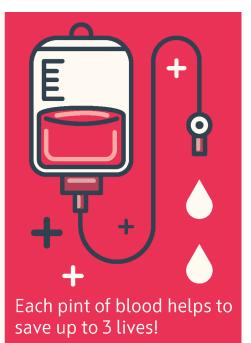




Signups Begin Tuesday, February 6 During Periods 5, 6, and 7 in the cafeteria

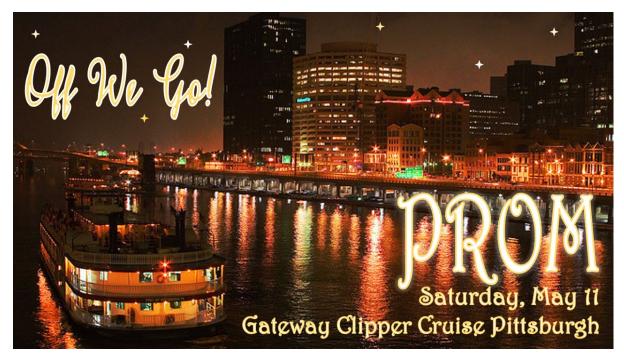
Signups Close When All Slots Are Filled; Small Wait List Will Be Compiled

Blood Drive Greensburg Central Catholic High School Auxiliary Gymnasium Thursday, February 22



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Prom Ticket Fundraiser Opportunity



Students attending the 2024 Prom can participate in the Sarris Candies Fundraiser to earn credit (25% of sales) and reduce the price of their individual prom tickets. When making a purchase, enter the group ID and the student's name to ensure the student earns credit. See the flyer below for the group ID and additional information.

Contact Mrs. McWilliams at smcwilliams@gcchs.org with any questions.

Help Support Our ONLINE ORDERING Fundraiser

We are fundraising with darwing to raise money for our organization! If you would like to help support our sale, you can go online to:

SarrisCandiesFundraising.com

*All orders must be placed by 11:59 PM EST on March 22nd.

Our Organization's Name

Our Group ID# 10-0356

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Greensburg Central Catholic HS Prom

HOW TO ORDER

Access the Sarris fundraising website on your computer or mobile phone.



From the home page, click I Am Supporting a Fundraiser or click Shop Now in the navigation bar to access our available products.

Enter our Group ID# and your family member or friend's name and select Shop Now.

TIP: Use the drop-down categories under **Shop Now** in the navigation bar tab to look for specific types of products.

TIP: Use the search bar to look for specific products.

\$5 FLAT RATE GROUND SHIPPING Orders ship right to your home!

No minimum purchase required to receive \$5 flat rate ground shipping. Shipping fee is per address. Warm weather packaging and expedited shipping charges are additional.

Popular Categories



HOLIDAY: EASTER

BOXED CHOCOLATES





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Seniors and Senior Parent(s)

If you are looking for scholarships, please check my Schoology Guidance Course, Scholarship Page.

Local scholarships are starting to arrive, and several new scholarships were added prior to the Christmas break.

Direct access to a scholarship website or the application is posted.

Also, the GCC website under Academics, Guidance, Services,

https://www.gcchs.org/academics/Pages/guidance.aspx, lists legitimate Scholarship search engines.

And check out the information below for possible opportunities:

Organizations and Associations

Research all organizations and associations related to your career field. Scholarships will generally be posted on their main websites but contact them in addition to inquire about other organizations in your chosen field for expanding your list.

Corporations

Research a list of 20 or more of the largest companies related to your chosen field. Google their name and the word "scholarship".

I hope this information is helpful!

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Dear AP Students and Parent(s),

Guidance met with students in every AP class prior to the Christmas break and shared AP Exam registration and payment explanation. Please see the information below or attached for AP Exams, payment form, and exam schedule. Payment is due by March 15, 2024.

AP Registration Forms CLICK HERE

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ATTENTION 9TH GRADE STUDENTS WHO TOOK THE PSAT:

In order to create a CollegeBoard account (which will grant you access to your scores), please

follow these steps:

- 1. Log onto Schoology
- 2. Press "Courses"
- 3. Press "Guidance 7 8 9"
- 4. Access the "Collegeboard and PSAT Information" folder
- 5. Click on the "PSAT 9 Presentation CollegeBoard Account Creation" PDF
- 6. Once you follow the steps to create a CollegeBoard account, click on the other PDF in the folder to interpret your scores

If you have any questions or need additional assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to Mrs. Wojo for an appointment!

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Spring College in High School Registration NOW OPEN

We just received news from SHU that Mrs. McWilliams AP English Lit has been approved for a fall and spring course! That is 6 credits, if you registered for fall you can register for spring as well. If you did not register in the fall but still want to get 3 credits for the spring you can also register!



College In High School

SPRING 2023-2024

Seton Hill University Saint Vincent College Mount Aloysius College Saint Francis University

SPRING Courses Available:

Seton Hill University

AP English Literature	SEL 151	Topics in Literature: Principles of Literary Analysis and Composition II -3 Credits
AP English Language	SEL 106	Composition & Culture Part B – <u>3 Credits</u>
AP Art History	SAP 110	History of Western Art II – <u>3 Credits</u>
CHS Graphic Design	SAR 180	Digital Imaging I – <u>3 Credits</u>

• Registration Instructions from SHU will be emailed to all students enrolled in these courses.

- Registration instructions are divided into NEW registrants and RETURING registrants.
- Online registration: <u>https://www.setonhill.edu/academics/undergraduate-programs/high-school-programs/college-in-high-school/</u>
 - Each course is \$230.00 and will be paid during the registration process.
 - SHU Registration portal will close on February 26, 2024.

<u>New Student User Guide CLICK HERE</u> <u>Returning Student User Guide CLICK HERE</u>

FACTS Grant and Aid – Now Open

FACTS Grant and Aid is now open for the 2024-2025 school year. Families who want to apply for financial aid for their students for the 2024-2025 school year will be required to submit their 2022 tax returns. Families who apply for financial aid by March 31, 2024 will receive a \$35 credit

towards the 2024-2025 tuition. The credit covers the fee FACTS charges to apply for financial aid. One \$35 credit per family.

To apply for financial aid, visit: https://online.factsmgt.com/aid

Find pdf Flyer below:

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FACTS makes quality education affordable for families by assisting schools in awarding financial aid. We work with schools to create a custom application and collect financial data so schools can make accurate award decisions based on financial need.

To apply for financial aid, visit: https://online.factsmgt.com/aid

After completing the online application, you will need to upload all required supporting documentation.

The following supporting documents are required to complete the application process:

- 2022 IRS Federal Income Tax Return, including all supporting schedules. If applicant and co-applicant file separately, we require both tax returns for the same tax year.
- · Copies of all supporting tax documents if you have business income/loss from any of the following:

Business - send Schedule C or C-EZ and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization Farm - send Schedule F and Form 4562 Depreciation and Amortization Rental Property - send Schedule E (page 1) S-Corporation - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1120S (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825 Partnership - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1065 (5 pages), Schedule K-1 and Form 8825 Estates and Trusts - send Schedule E (page 2), Form 1041 and Schedule K-1

 Copies of all supporting documentation for household Non-Taxable Income such as: Social Security Income, Welfare, Child Support, Food Stamps, Workers' Compensation, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). If you do not file a tax return, you are required to provide documentation of all income received.

All documentation received is imaged upon receipt and then destroyed.

You may log in to your FACTS user account to review the status of your application. Please allow 2 weeks processing time before inquiring further about receipt and/or status of the uploaded documents. Application deadlines are set by the institution awarding the aid. If you are applying after the deadline, contact your school to ensure that your application will be accepted.

A non-refundable application fee is required before your application to be submitted.

NOTE: Award decisions are made by the institution providing the financial aid, not FACTS. This application does not guarantee admission or enrollment.

Online.FACTSmgt.com/Aid



Information to know/have ready to complete Grant & Aid application for Parents:

- 1. Student Information (You will enter information for all students attending a tuition charging school)
 - Student Social Security Number
 - Student Date of Birth
 - How much your ability to pay tuition for each student annually
 - · Amount of tuition support outside of child support custodial required of non-custodial parent.
- 2. Adjusted Gross Income for Applicant and/or Co applicant from most recent Federal Income tax return.
- 3. Nontaxable Income amount received & frequency of:
 - Child Support
 - Temporary assistance for needy families (TANF)
 - Welfare
 - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
 - Tuition Support from friends/relatives/employers
 - Workers' Compensation
 - Housing Allowance (Military, Religious, Parsonage, etc)
 - Tax-Exempt Interest
 - Social Security (For all household members)
 - Any other Nontaxable income received
- 4. If you expect a decrease in income, you will need to provide reasons why and anticipated income
- 5. Monthly Expenses
 - Rent/Mortgage Payment (include principal, interest, taxes, and home insurance)
 - 2nd home Mortgage Payment
 - Monthly Home equity Loan payments
 - Year, make/model and monthly payment for all vehicles leased or owned, including those that don't
 have a monthly payment. Do not include vehicle insurance expense.
 - Total Credit Card Debt & minimum amounts due on statements
 - Student Loan payments for family members no longer attending college
 - · Other monthly loan payments (do not include cell phone, utilities, or other living expenses)
 - Child Support payments
 - Health insurance premiums paid per month, amount and how it is paid (pre-tax payroll, direct to insurance company, etc)
- 6. Annual/Yearly Expenses
 - Vehicle Insurance
 - Out-of-pocket medical expenses not paid by insurance
 - Charitable contributions
 - Number of family members attending college in fall, and your total out of pocket cost
 - Number of children you pay child/day care expenses beginning in fall, and annual expected cost
 - Number of people for whom you pay elder care expenses, and total expected cost

7. Assets

- Value of cash, savings, and/or checking accounts
- Value of stocks, bond investments, mutual funds, and/or certificates of deposit
- Value of all 529 plan accounts and expected annual contribution to 529 plan account
- · Value of all retirement plan assets and expected annual contribution to retirement plan
- Estimated value & amount owed on your home
- · Estimated value & amount owed on your second home

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Need A Free Tutor?



A reminder that the Tutoring Center is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays after school. If you need **math or science** tutoring please click the link below to sign up. If you are interested in becoming a Peer Tutor please complete the application form below. Return your completed application to Mrs. Cullen ASAP! <u>Need a Tutor? Click Here</u>

Interested in Becoming a PEER TUTOR? Click Here.

Scan this QR code to schedule tutoring



Questions? Email Mrs. Cullen at <u>pcullen@gcchs.org</u> BACK

STEM Opportunities



GCC STEM CORNER



Computer Science Day @ SVC

Saturday, February 24th

8:30am-12:30pm

Test a Cybersecurity Risk~

~Program Drones~

**Must be able to transport yourself to

St. Vincent College**

~Lunch is Included~

~Space is Limited~

Must RSVP By Feb 1 to Mrs. Cullen pcullen@gcchs.org

INTERESTED IN THE SKILLED TRADES?

JOB SHADOWING OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!



Spend the day shadowing workers in the following fields:

~Welding~ ~Drafting~ ~CNC Machining (Mills, Lathes, Horizontals)~ ~CNC Fabrication (Lasers and Pressbrakes)~ See Mrs. Cullen for Details or email pcullen@gcchs.org

UPMC Clinical Laboratory

JOB SHADOW OPPORTUNITY

(current 10th- 12th graders) Do you like chemistry, microscopes and problem solving?

<u>Medical Lab Scientists</u> conduct lab testing to diagnose, treat and prevent disease.



Come and take advantage of an opportunity to get into the lab and see if this is a potential career opportunity for you!

See Mrs. Cullen for Details.

(Job Shadow involves one day at the UMPC Clinical Laboratory in Oakland)

UPMC Sports Medicine

Career Day

Interested in a career in sports medicine? Come and learn about careers in:

~Athletic Training~ ~Sports Psychology~ ~Sports Nutrition~ ~Sports Chiropractic~ ~Physical Therapy~ And more!

February 29, 2024 Periods 2-5 *Virtual event---in Room 213* See Mrs. Cullen or email her for details pcullen@gcchs.org



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SCIENCE OLYMPIAD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (Even if you are a parent of an older student!)



All Junior High students will participate in the annual Science Olympiad on Thursday, March 7th.

To make this day a success, we need <u>MANY</u> parent volunteers. All students will compete for prizes in eight pre-determined, hands-on events.

Come and join in the fun and learning by being a parent volunteer! You can be a parent of ANY GCC student---you do not have to have a 7th or 8th grader! Maybe you did the Science Olympiad

in past years---we would love to have you back!

Please complete the <u>volunteer form</u> and return to Mrs. Cullen as soon as possible (Room 306 or via email <u>pcullen@gcchs.org</u>)

If you have questions, please contact Mrs. Cullen <u>pcullen@gcchs.org</u>. <u>BACK</u>

STEM CAREER DAY SPEAKERS NEEDED!

ATTENTION GCC FAMILIES:

STEM CAREER DAY SPEAKERS NEEDED!



Do you have an exciting career in Science, Technology, Engineering or Math? We are in need of speakers to come to school and speak to small groups of students on **MONDAY, MARCH 18**th.

You may choose your times-----we need speakers for every period of the day (7:50am-2:23pm)

If you can give us your time and expertise, please email Mrs. Pam Cullen for more details!

gccstem@gcchs.org

EMAIL gccstem@gcchs.org

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St. Vincent Opportunity



FAITH AND REASON SUMMER PROGRAM

JULY 7 - JULY 13, 2024



The Faith and Reason Summer Program offers high school and first-year college students a unique opportunity to explore a richer, deeper understanding of the Catholic faith.

Corner of Positivity



Ash Wednesday Mass



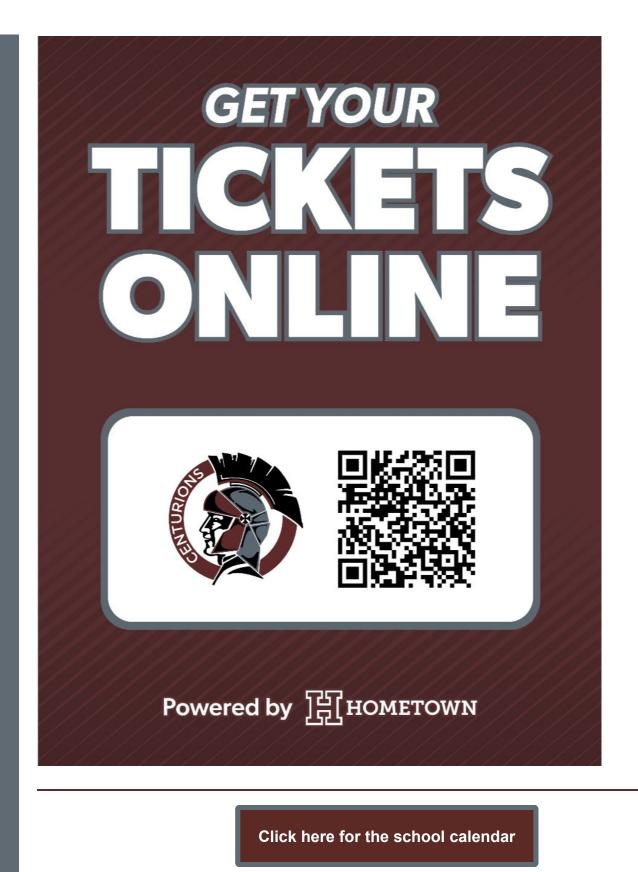


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Hometown Fan Ticketing

GCC is transitioning to digital ticketing for football and basketball games using the Hometown Ticketing platform. You can access the link on our website under <u>"Athletics"</u> or by downloading the Hometown Fan app.

<u>Google Play</u> <u>App Store</u>



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