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March 1, 2024

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Please NOTE the Changes or additions below

- 3/8 Stations—Day E-PM 60 Schedule
- 3/15 Stations-Day E-PM 60 Schedule
- 3/18 STEM Day-Day F-Regular Schedule
- 3/19 Virtual Mass—Day F-Regular Schedule Schedule

- Squires and Squire Roses will be out of the building to attend the Mass at BSC

- 3/25 Pre-ACT tests
- 3/26 Pre-ACT Makeup Day
- 3/26 Walk the Extra Mile Kick Off- Day F PM 30 Schedule
- 3/27 Tenebrae--Half Day
- 3/27 No After School Supervision
- 4/12 No After School Supervision

Please note: March Madness has been moved to April 8<sup>th</sup>.

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

### **NEW IN THIS ISSUE**

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#### **Announcements**

#### Service Hours

**Reminder:** Service Hours are due on Wednesday, May 1st. The 24 required hours must be submitted digitally via Schoology. Paper records will not be accepted. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's religion teacher.

#### NOTE CHANGE IN CALENDAR

On April 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### **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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#### **AUCTION Save the Date and Needs!**

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED click on the link http://bidpal.net/Luaugcc

## SAVE THE DATE

#### **Greensburg Central Catholic's Annual Auction**

Friday April 5, 2024



#### For Tickets, please go to http://bidpal.net/Luaugcc

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.

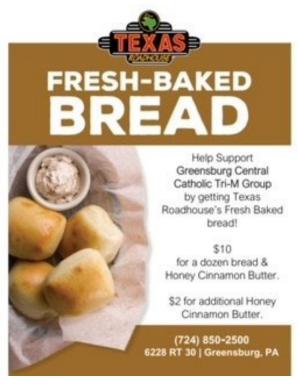
Tables of attendees at the event pool their money to donate to be able to choose their dessert. The table donating the highest amount gets first choice, but don't take too long to choose because the next tables on the list will be on your heels.

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!

Sign Up Link <u>http://tinyurl.com/DessertDash24</u> Email Questions to / <u>rkozar@cdtschool.org</u> or <u>http://dcremonese@gcchs.org</u>

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TRI-M Texas Road House Roll Fundraiser



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

#### Spirit Store NEW Merch and 10\$ WALL

The Spirit Store will be open every Friday **\$10.00 WALL** 



NEW Merchandise



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#### Internship Opportunity for anyone interested in the Medical Field

Do you know a **High School Student** that is interested in working in the healthcare field, or a student looking to end the school year with a new learning experience?

Recommend them to our **Unit Assistant Student Intern** position! This is a chance for them to serve their community and explore different careers in healthcare.

This position is grant-funded and will last 10 to 12 weeks. Preference will be given to students who reside in the **Jeannette** or **Greensburg-Salem** School districts and must be at **least 16 years of** 

age or older.

A Unit Assistant Student Intern will connect with our residents, offer them companionship, and help with daily tasks. The intern will have the opportunity to learn new skills, contribute to a positive environment, and make a difference in the lives of our residents.

If you know someone who may be interested, encourage them to apply online at: <u>https://redstone.recruitpro.com/jobs/277138</u> Or contact Laura at 724-953-8649

#### NEED Service Hours?

#### St. John Baptist de La Salle, Delmont

Please consider helping the spaghetti dinner by being a server or hostess. Anyone 18 years of age or older will need clearances. Information below...

Spaghetti dinner is on Sunday, March 10, 2024 from 12pm-4pm. There will be two shifts available. First shift is from 11:30-2pm. Second shift is from 1:30-4pm. If you can't stay the whole time, any time you can give is appreciated!

Hostess will seat guest accordingly, making sure not to overwhelm servers at any given time. They will help servers with clean-up/set up of table. We need approximately 3 hostesses per shift.

Servers will bring guests drinks and dinner. They will check with them periodically to see how things are or if they need refill on drinks. When guests are finished and leave, they will remove all things from the area and clean area for next guest to be sat. Hostess will help with clean up also. We need approximately 35 servers per shift.

Spread the word to family and friends! All volunteers will get a free dinner. Thank You in advance for helping out!

Those interested can contact Emily Kelly. 724-448-6773 or <u>emilykelly98@yahoo.com</u>

#### St. John the Baptist in Scottdale - FISHFRY

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

#### Aquinas GALA help needed

Aquinas Academy needs your help! They can use some volunteers on Saturday March 9 in helping with all aspects of the gala. Please see the details below, you will receive service hours for these opportunities. If you have any questions or interest in these events, please email Mrs. Beers <a href="mailto:mrsibbeers@gmail.com">mrsibbeers@gmail.com</a> to sign up or get more information.

Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>

- Gala at Rizzo's setup from 9 am- 3 pm: help setup at the event space or drivers to bring things from Aquinas to Rizzo's.
- Gala at Rizzo's event from 3 pm till end: bringing raffle winnings to winners at tables, offer 50/50 tickers and similar tasks. GCC DRESS UNIFORMS REQUIRED.
- Some night owls who would be able to assist after the gala is over tearing the space down and driving materials back to Aquinas. Time: TBD

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#### Become a Sponsor!

#### Become a Sponsor at DioceseofGreensburg.org/StJoseph



\$250 **New Kensington Reception Sponsor** 

(Number of Sponsorships: 4) Includes recognition in worship aid, on website and signage at the event.

#### **\$250 Everson Reception Sponsor**

(Number of Sponsorships: 4) Includes recognition in worship aid, on website and signage at the event.



**Uniontown Reception Sponsor** (Number of Sponsorships: 4)

Includes recognition in worship aid, on website and signage at the event.



**Saint Joseph Day Patron** (unlimited)

Includes Mass Intention for all patrons at Saint Joseph Day Mass at Blessed Sacrament Cathedral and home delivery of all five Saint Joseph Day prayer cards, one from each event.

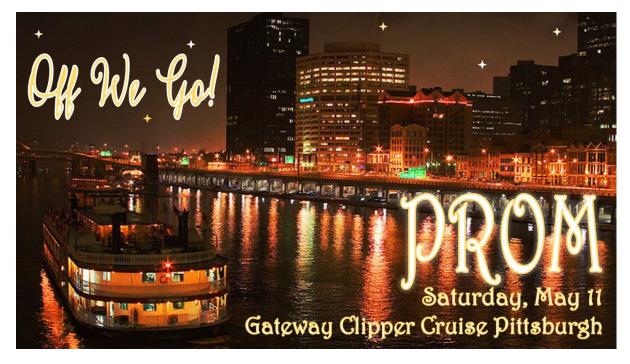
#### Saint Joseph Altar Donations

Help us build a Traditional Saint Joseph Altar as part of our Diocesan pilgrimage for the Feast of Saint Joseph. Donations can be brought to any of the sites on the pilgrimage for inclusion. Schools and parishes may also collect items or donations and make arrangements with the Office of Faith, Family and Discipleship to have them picked up. Anyone can make contributions by credit card online at **DioceseofGreensburg.org/StJoseph** or by check, mailed to: Saint Joseph Altar Donations, c/o Catholic Charities, 711 East Pittsburgh Street, Greensburg, PA 15601. Volunteers are also needed at Saint Joseph Parish, Everson, to help sort these items after the prayer service with Bishop Kulick at 2:30 PM.

<b>Paper</b> <b>Product Box</b> (or donate \$200)	<b>Cleaning Box</b> (or donate \$150)	<b>Breakfast Box</b> (or donate \$100)	<b>Pasta Dinner Box</b> (or donate \$50)	<b>Supermarket Gift Cards</b> (or donate \$25)
Paper Plates Napkins Plastic Bowls Plastic Forks Plastic Knives Plastic Spoons Toilet Paper Paper Towels Solo Cups Garbage Bags Tissues Aluminum Foil Cling Wrap	Lysol Wipes Swiffer Starter Kit Swiffer Wipes Dish Soap Sponges Mop and Bucket Wood Cleaner Window Cleaner Paper Towels Toilet Brush Toilet Cleaner Hand-Held Vacuum Cleaner Broom and Dustpan	Pancake Mix Muffin Mix Powdered Creamer Canned Fruit Regular Coffee Decaf Coffee Syrup Cereal Tea bags Sugar	Pasta Pasta Sauce Olive Oil Vinegar Croutons Crackers Pepperoni Shelf Stable Cheese Minced Garlic Canned Soup Canned Fruit Cookies	

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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 <a href="mailto:smcwilliams@gcchs.org">smcwilliams@gcchs.org</a> 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 22<sup>nd</sup>.

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** 





**FLYER** 

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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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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 – <u>3 Credits</u>	
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.

#### New Student User Guide CLICK HERE Returning Student User Guide CLICK HERE

#### 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)
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> 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



## CSI CAMP

Waynesburg University June 10-14, 2024



- $\blacktriangleright$  Attention current 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders
- Are you interested in a five-day forensic science/criminal justice camp this summer?
- Come and learn about fingerprints, trace evidence, expert testimony, crime scene processing and more!
- SPACES FILL VERY QUICKLY so if you are interested, please see or email Mrs. Cullen soon!
- (Room 306 or <u>pcullen@gcchs.org</u>)

#### 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

#### **UPMC Clinical Laboratory**

#### JOB SHADOW OPPORTUNITY

(current 10<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> 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)

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#### PA Free Enterprise Week

Parents of Sophomores and Juniors (who did not attend PFEW last summer) The Pennsylvania Free Enterprise Week, PFEW, representative met with Sophomores last week to discuss the program and distribute applications.

PFEW is a unique and challenging program that provides hands-on opportunity to learn about our free enterprise system. This program opens doors for high school sophomores and juniors to learn what it takes to succeed in our fast-paced world filled with endless changes and challenges. Students will receive practical tools and knowledge that will help them determine a career path while making life-long connections and friendships.

Student teams will form an executive management team and run an imaginary business. Teams will compete throughout the weeklong camp and be advised by some of Pennsylvania's top executives.

Applications are available at <u>https://sites.google.com/view/pfew</u> and the first deadline for guaranteed admissions is Thursday, March 7th.

Westmoreland county businesses support PFEW and cover most of the program cost. Our students are responsible for a registration fee (NOT due when completing application). Please see the attached information.

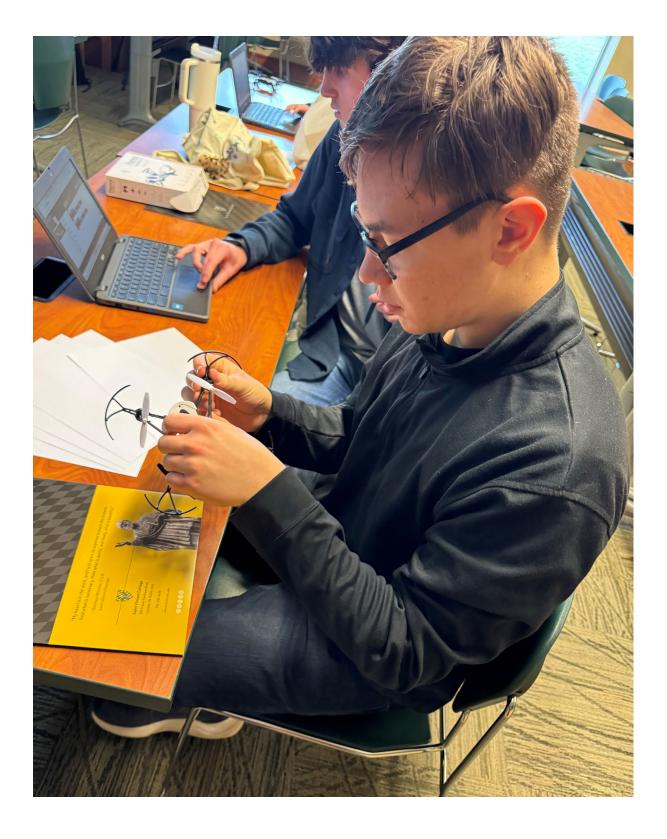


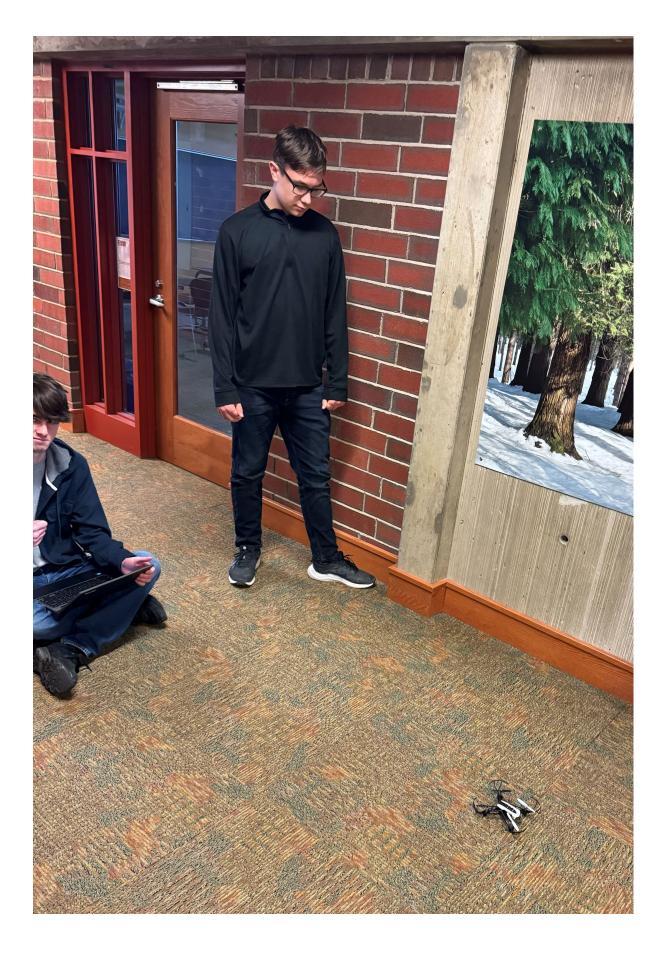


#### **Corner of Positivity**

Saturdays are for computer science!

Sophomore Henry Detwiler and junior Sienna Voetsch spent the day programming drones, learning about cybersecurity and creating a Linux virtual machine. Thank you to St. Vincent College for hosting such a fun and educational day.







5 National Art Honor Society members traveled to Aquinas Academy on Tuesday to judge the Read Across America Book Mark Creation Contest.





Recently 26 GCC students had a wonderful opportunity to volunteer at the 2024 Winter Special Olympics at Seven Springs. They were alpine escorts for the athletes, or they worked in the awards area.

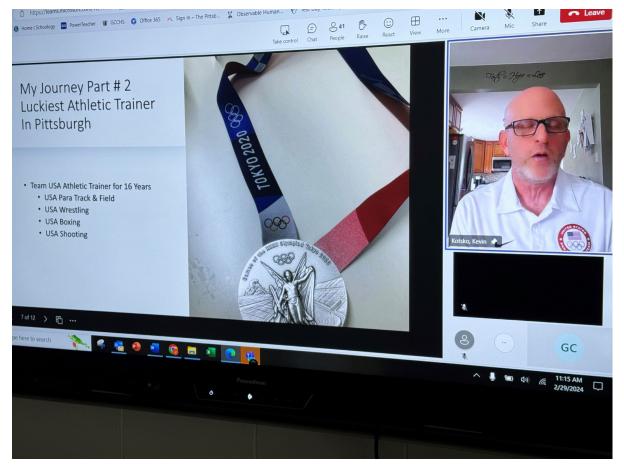




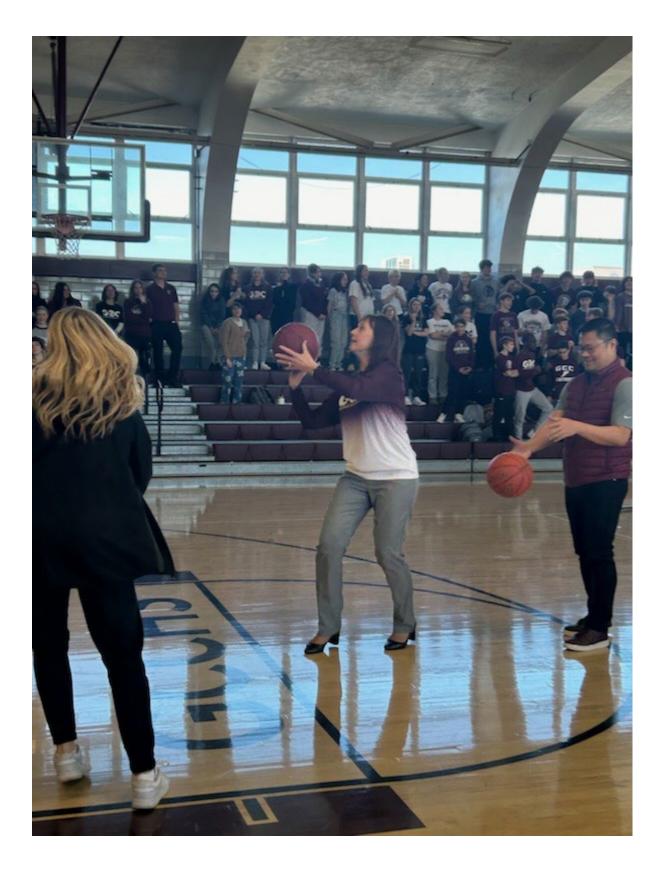


Today our students had the chance to learn about careers in sports nutrition, chiropractic, physical therapy, neuropsychology, sports performance and athletic training at today's "Virtual Sports Medicine Career Day" hosted by UPMC!



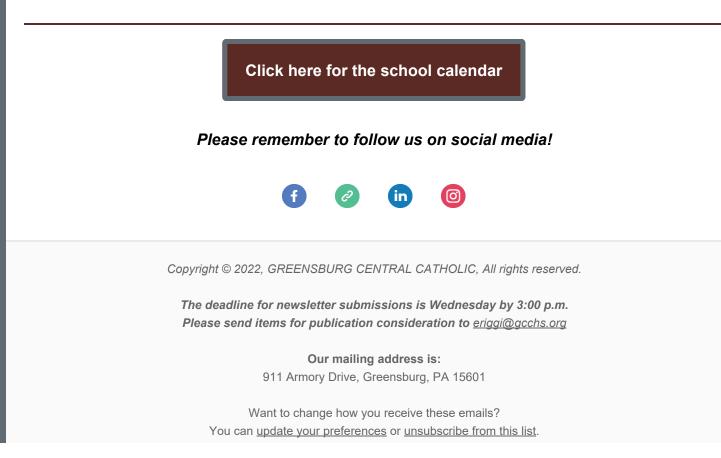


WPIAL Sendoffs Thursday! Good Luck to all of our Athletes!





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