



May 3, 2024

IMPORTANT DATES

Please **NOTE** the Changes or additions below

- 5/8 Retreat / Recollection of Juniors Class
- 5/9 Ascension Mass / Dress Uniform Required @ GCC
- 5/14 Retreat / Recollection of Freshmen Class @ GCC

Athletics Calendar -- [Click here to view all upcoming athletic events](#)

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Announcements

GCC Re-Enrollment for 2024-2025 School Year

Greensburg Central Catholic Junior-Senior High School is in the process of evaluating a program for school re-enrollment.

The Course Selection Form given to all students should be returned as soon as possible with all signatures. The returned Course Selection Form will be considered your child's re-enrollment for the next school year. All Course Selection Forms must be returned by Monday, April 29, 2024.

Uniform School Year 2024/2025 Updates

Please see the attached document for Uniform Updates [HERE](#)

Student Athletes - MUST READ

Attention: All student athletes—you must arrive to school by 9:00 am on game days or you are not permitted to play that day.

For FACTS information

Please visit our website; <https://www.gcchs.org/facts-grant-and-aid/>

Any questions, feel free to reach out to Mrs. Szmed. TSzmed@gcchs.org

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Congratulations and Welcome!

Welcome Mrs. DeMarco as our new Assistant Principal!

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Congratulations to Deacon Kyprian Wojciechowski, who was ordained a Byzantine Catholic priest on Sunday, April 28. May God grant the Reverend Father Kyprian many blessed years, in health and happiness.



PIAA sports physicals

PIAA sports physicals will be held on June 7th 9 am-11 am. Students planning to receive a physical on June 7th must have a completed packet signed by both the student and parent/guardian. Physicians cannot complete a physical if the packets are not filled out and signed. If students are receiving physicals from their primary care physician or at an urgent care, physicals

must be the PIAA form and completed after June 1st. School physical forms ARE NOT the same as the PIAA physical form. **Valid PIAA physicals must be completed and turned in to Miss. Virginia to participate in a sport.**

PIAA packets can be completed through Final Forms or can be printed from this link [http://www.piaa.org/assets/web/documents/PIAA_CIPPE_FORMS_SECTION\(S\)_1_-_10\(1\).pdf](http://www.piaa.org/assets/web/documents/PIAA_CIPPE_FORMS_SECTION(S)_1_-_10(1).pdf)

If completing the form on Final Forms, Section 5 must be printed, completed, and turned in at time of physical.

If you have any questions email Miss. Virginia at vtinkey@gcchs.org

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Guidance Corner

Dear Parent(s),

AP Exams are fast approaching.

Please see the dates and times for each exam.

Test Dates:

Monday, May 6-AP Art History-11:30 AM	Room 211/213
Tuesday, May 7-AP Statistics-11:30 AM	Room 211/213
Wednesday, May 8-AP Eng Lit-7:40 AM	Room 211/213
Thursday, May 9-AP Psych-11:30 AM	Room 211/213
Friday, May 10-AP US History-7:40 AM	Room 211/213
Tuesday, May 14-AP Eng Lang-7:40 AM	Room 211/213
Wednesday, May 15-AP Computer Science-11:30 AM	Maker Space
Thursday, May 16-AP Biology-11:30 AM	Biology Lab
Friday, May 17 - Pitt Calculus I exam	from 8:00 – 10:00 in room 103

For the month of May, the Access Partner's will be available Wednesday's to assist with FAFSA Completion's from 8 AM – 5 PM. If they're not able to meet on Wednesday, please have them

reach out to me and we schedule another time.

Click on Link for More Information.

https://mcusercontent.com/bf015d687a0ad7fee4b4b6dbf/files/b40c7fe4-d837-b148-074d-a2d50c60b98a/KN_RG_VFAFO_042824_Tagged.pdf

Please find the attached letter for course selection for the 2024/2025 school year - also the course book is below as well.

[Course Selection School Year 2024/2025](#)

For Course Book click [HERE](#)

Dear Parent(s),

If your student is a possible college-bound athlete, NCAA is offering a Family webinar that will explain the requirements and how to prepare for NCAA certification.

See the [NCAA](#) for more information.

Seniors and Senior Parent(s)

If you are looking for scholarships, please check my Schoology Guidance Course, Scholarship Page. 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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Art Exhibition Partnership with St. Francis University

AP Art and Design students participated in a yearlong partnership with St. Francis University studying science and art.

You're Invited!

Art and Science Unite: Imaging the World

Join us to celebrate the interconnection of the macro-, micro-, and atomic-scale.

Microscale image of
bituminous coal



Connors Family Fine Arts Center
150 Saint Peters St., Loretto, PA 15940
Gallery Show: May 15-25, 2024
Reception: May 18, 2024 2-4 pm



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Spring Concert

The Visual and Performing Arts Department invites everyone to join us for the last concert of the school year! It will be held on Sunday, May 5, at 4:00 PM in the GCC Auxiliary Gym, and will feature a variety of music from gospel-style songs to pop hits. We hope to see you there!



Sophomore Class Cedar Point Trip Information

Friday, May 24, 2024 / Cedar Point

For More Information please click [HERE](#)

Need A Free Tutor?

GCC

GREENSBURG CENTRAL CATHOLIC



TUTORING CENTER

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!

[Need a Tutor? Click Here](#)

[Interested in Becoming a PEER TUTOR? Click Here.](#)

Scan this QR code to schedule tutoring



Questions? Email Mrs. Cullen at pcullen@gcchs.org

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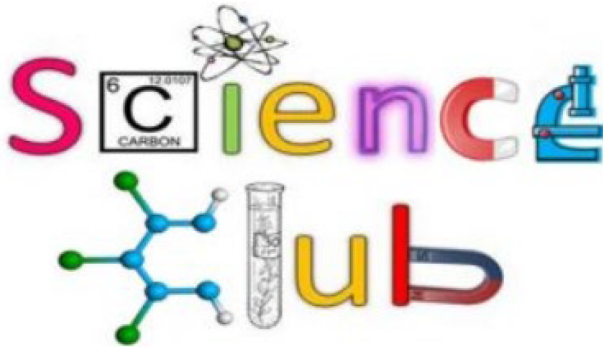
STEM Opportunities



GCC STEM CORNER



GCC Junior High



Thursday, May 16th
2:45pm-4:00pm
In the Biology Lab—Room 301

Open to students in grades 7 & 8
Free to attend!
Sign up with

Mrs. Cullen in room 306 or Mrs. Gilkey in Room 309
Sponsored by the GCC Science National Honor Society

INTERESTED IN THE SKILLED
TRADES?

JOB SHADOWING OPPORTUNITIES
AVAILABLE!



Skilled Trades

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@gchs.org

Don't forget to check out the

"STEM Summer Experiences in the CNNI"



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STEM Summer Experiences NEW UPDATES!



Summer Experiences

Future Health Care Leaders Camp

- At Mt. Aloysius College
- Fills very quickly!
- Available to students in grades 9-12
- Registration opens Friday, April 12
- Camp Date: June 18 & 19th

For more information and to register:

<https://www.mtaloy.edu/healthcarecamp/>

American Sign Language Summer Academy

- At Mt. Aloysius College
- Fills very quickly!
- Available to students in grades 9-12
- Camp Date: June 18 & 19th

For more information and to register:

<https://www.mtaloy.edu/healthcarecamp/>

Coding, AI and Machine Learning Camps

- Offered through CodeWizards HQ
- Summer classes and summer camps
- All online learning
- For students aged 11-18 (different classes for different age levels)

For more information and to register:

<https://www.codewizardshq.com/summer/#selectProgram>

Accelerated Career Awareness Program

- Point Park University
- In-person, residential camp to increase awareness of accounting careers.

For more information and to register:

<https://www.pointpark.edu/academics/schools/busine>

- High school students
- June 23-28th

[ss/urbanaccountinginitiative/acap/index](https://urbanaccountinginitiative/acap/index)

Accelerated Business Program

- University of Georgia- Terry College of Business
- On-line program
- Rising juniors and seniors
- July 11th & 12th

For more information and to register:

<https://www.terry.uga.edu/about/diversity/accelerated-business-program/>

WCCC Various Summer STEM Camps

- Westmoreland community College
- Programs like: entomology, budgeting, forensic science, cybersecurity, digital information, nutrition, programming, public speaking and more!
- Different dates and fees
- Grades 7-12

For more information and to register:

[Summer Camps Classes - Westmoreland \(augusoft.net\)](http://SummerCampsClasses-Westmoreland.augusoft.net)

Middle School Tech Camps

- Held at Carnegie Mellon University
- Through Lavner education
- Variety of tech camps for students up to age 14

For more information and to register:

[2024 Pittsburgh STEM Summer Camps at Carnegie Mellon \(lavnercampsandprograms.com\)](http://2024PittsburghSTEMSummerCampsatCarnegieMellon.lavnercampsandprograms.com)

St. Vincent Challenge Program

- Overnight program for students in grades 7-12 at St. Vincent College
- Participate in a variety of fun, enriched classes and elective activities

For more information and to register:

- June 16-21st
- Register now to get your first pick of cool classes!

[SVC CHALLENGE - Home \(stvincentchallenge.org\)](http://stvincentchallenge.org)

Girls Who Code

- For high school students
- Free, virtual summer programs that give students the computer science skills needed to make an impact
- 2 week immersion program or
- 6 week self-paced program

For more information and to register:

[Girls Who Code | Summer Programs](#)

Pittsburgh Park Conservancy-Survival Camp

- For rising 7th and 8th graders
- Learn basic wilderness and survival skills and outdoor preparedness
- June 10-14 or
- June 17-21

For more information and to register:

[Summer Camp | Pittsburgh Parks Conservancy](#)

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Cheerleading Fundraiser



GCC CHEER NIGHT



AT BRUSTER'S

Ice Cream

WHEN: TUESDAY, MAY 7TH

TIME: 4pm-9pm

**ADDRESS: 604 SOUTH CENTER AVENUE AND
PAINTERSVILLE ROAD, NEW STANTON**

**GCC Cheer is
fundraising with flavor!**



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This program is funded [in part] by the Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development's Manufacturing Training to Career Grant program."



FREE TO ATTEND

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EXPERIENCE



219 Donohoe Road,
Greensburg, PA

Monday, June 10- June 20, 2024

10am-4pm

Earn \$400

for attending all 8 days !

Scan QR Code to register!



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Activities,
Certifications
Lunch

**Ages
16-18**

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Minecraft 2 day Camp



**JULY
15-16
9am-4pm**

**ONLY
\$150**



**MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS LEARN
COMMON CORE LEVEL MATH
SKILLS USING MINECRAFT!
3D PRINTING
CRITICAL THINKING
ADVANCED MATH CONCEPTS**

**Camp Location:
Private Industry Council
219 Donohoe Road, Greensburg Pa, 15601**

Contact us for registration



**724-836-2600 Ext 223 or
mkeller@privateindustrycouncil.com**

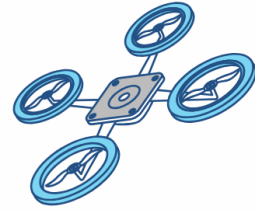
Drone Exploration Camp

CAMPS ARE FREE FOR WESTMORELAND/ FAYETTE COUNTY- HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AGES 15-18

Fayette: July 22- July 26, 2024

Or

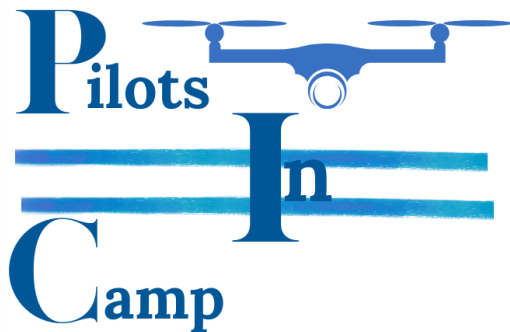
Greensburg: July 29 -August 2, 2024



9:00AM to 4:00PM each day for 5 days

Free lunch each day, fun field trips, T-shirt,

Free drone and \$125 for completing all 5 days of camp



Learn basic flying rules & techniques
and how drones are used in:

- Emergency Services
- Healthcare
- Manufacturing
- Agriculture/ Farming

Interested?

Scan here or call:
724-836-2600



Funding provided by the WFWIB. Equal Opportunity Employer/Program. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. For federal funding information visit westfaywib.org/resources/.

Summer Pittsburgh Philharmonic Opportunity



The Pittsburgh
Philharmonic
is pleased to
announce



The Pittsburgh Philharmonic Summer Student Program 2024

Instrumental students entering grades 8-12 are invited to apply and audition for an opportunity to play side-by-side with members of the Pittsburgh Philharmonic for the summer season. Students will rehearse and perform a light classical and pops repertoire in a mentoring environment with experienced adult musicians.

Auditions

6-9pm by appointment:
Monday, May 20
PYCO School of Music
150 Lake Drive Wexford, PA 15090

Video auditions available upon request

Audition requirements

Violin, viola cello:

Major Scales: 3 sharps and 3 flats memorized
Solo: PMEA Grade level selection or Suzuki book 4 and higher

Bass:

Major Scales: 3 sharps and 3 flats memorized
Solo: PMEA Grade level selection

Woodwinds and brass:

Major Scales: 3 sharps and 3 flats memorized
Solo: PMEA Grade level selection

Percussion:

Solo: PMEA Grade level selection

*There are no application or ~~audition~~ fees
Upon acceptance, the summer program fee is \$50
Need-based scholarships available*

Rehearsal Dates: Mondays, June 3, 10, 17, 24, and July 1 (Dress Rehearsal); 7:15-9:45 PM, PYCO School of Music

Performance Dates

- **Thursday, July 4 7:00 PM Fourth of July Celebration** (fireworks to follow)
Zelienople Community Park 402 East Beaver Street, Zelienople PA 16063
- **Sunday July 7 7:00 PM**
Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center 3579 Masonic Way, Pittsburgh, PA 15237

Please send completed applications and inquiries to: pghphilstudentprograms@gmail.com

We would like to invite your eligible students to participate in the 2024 Pittsburgh Philharmonic Summer Student Program.

Instrumental students entering grades 8-12 are invited to apply and audition for an opportunity to play side-by-side with members of the Pittsburgh Philharmonic for the summer season. The repertoire will be light classical and pops, standard summer orchestra fare. This is a great opportunity for rehearsing and performing with experienced adult musicians, It's also a fantastic way to show your students that they can actively participate in music throughout their lives, even if they are not professional musicians!

Please see the attached literature for the application form, audition requirements, and performance dates. Auditions will be held on Monday, May 20, by appointment, at the PYCO School of Music. If there are any questions at all, please reach out to us, or have the students or their families reach out, and we can help them through the details.

In addition, we'd like to invite you and your students to our upcoming concert on May 19 at 4pm at the Greater Pittsburgh Masonic Center, 2579 Masonic Way. <https://pghphil.org/concerts/>

Thank you so much. Wishing you a not-too-stressful end of school year. We are hoping for the opportunity to play with some of your students this summer!

Find the Application [HERE](#)
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Two Day Immersive Camp for Students Interested in the Gas Industry


The logo for 'CREW CAMP' features the word 'CREW' in a bold, dark blue font with a stylized pink and white arrow pointing right through the 'O'. Below it, the word 'CAMP' is written in a larger, bold, blue font.

A two-day immersive experience for students to learn more about the natural gas industry and careers in the field.


[Flip for details >](#)



JULY 23 + 24, 2024 > WASHINGTON, PA + WILLIAMSPORT, PA



CREW CAMP



Scan code to submit your application.

Deadline to apply: May 1, 2024

Qrew Camp is a two-day immersive experience for rising 9th, 10th & 11th-grade students, and their parent or chaperone, to learn more about the natural gas industry and careers in the field. With two camp locations in Washington & Williamsport, PA, students will hear from EQT professionals on the importance of natural gas, how we safely produce it using cutting-edge technology, witness the drilling process in person, and have some fun!

At EQT, we call our employees our “Qrew.” Qrew Camp is a way to engage what we hope to be the next generation of industry leaders and give them a firsthand look at the work we are doing right here in Pennsylvania to provide the low-cost, reliable, clean energy the world needs. Camp is free to those selected; all meals and accommodations, if needed, will be provided.

eqt.com   



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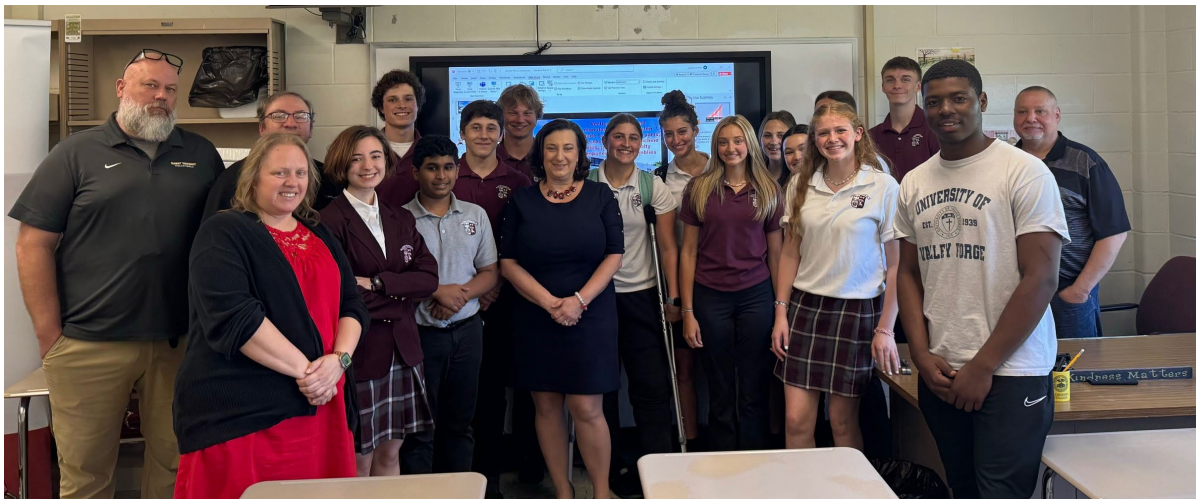
Corner of Positivity

This week, our Science National Honor Society hosted a STEM Expo assembly at Aquinas Academy. Fourth graders had fun breaking out of a “natural disasters” escape room and they experimented with Ozobots and Cubelets robot blocks. Thank you to Aquinas Academy for allowing us to bring our roadshow to you!





Thank you to Mona Pappafava-Ray and all of the representatives from General Carbide who introduced our students to the exciting and complex world of manufacturing. They were our guests for the final “Lunch and Learn” of the year!



This past weekend, 8th grader Brooke Henderson represented GCC at the PMEA District 1 Jr. High Orchestra festival at Keystone Oaks. Brooke was 1 of over 100 students from across 40+ different schools participating in this year's festival who - under the direction of Duquesne University's Dr. Stephen Benham - put on a wonderful concert



"On Saturday, some members of GCC's strings played for the beginning of a wedding reception for GCC Alumna Francis Mahl at the Westmoreland Museum of American Art"



"On Wednesday evening, Greensburg Central Catholic brought their production of 'Newsies' to a full house at The Palace Theatre for the annual Westmoreland Night of the Stars, hosted by John Noble and Westmoreland Performing Arts. Students Kate David (7th grade), Christian Slater
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(9 grade), and Kamara Holmes (11 grade) also earned scholarships to attend Westmoreland Performing Arts's summer theater camp - congratulations to all who performed!"





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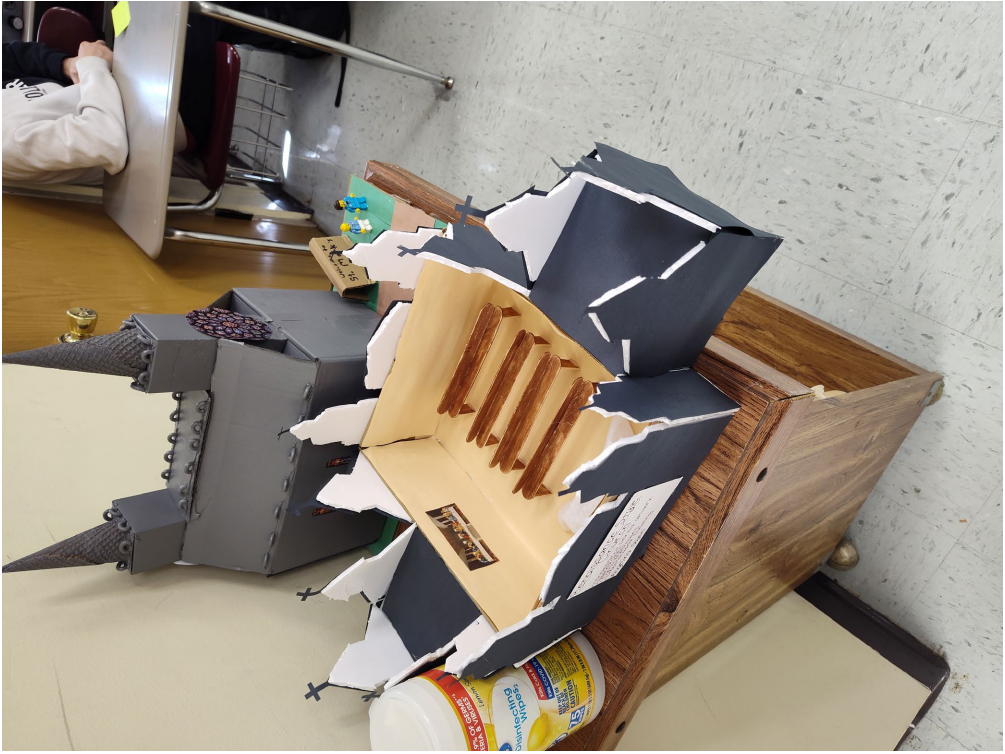




A huge thank you to senior Page Lookabill who organized a spring “Toiletries Drive” to benefit the Westmoreland Food Bank. Under Page’s fine leadership, GCC students collected and donated 242lbs of toiletries items for those in need!



"Mrs. Trunzo's Sophomore Religion Classes are learning about the significance of Church architecture and the time periods in which they were built. As part of their unit, they built model churches, either 3d models or through building games such as Minecraft and Roblox. They are such a creative group!"





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***The deadline for newsletter submissions is Wednesday by 3:00 p.m.
Please send items for publication consideration to eriggi@gcchs.org***

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911 Armory Drive, Greensburg, PA 15601**

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