



GCC SUMMER CNN

August 15, 2024

GCC Regular Office Hours resume Monday, August 19, 2024

M-F: 7:00 am – 3:00 pm

GCC WELCOME BACK GET TOGETHER- For New/Returning Students and Parents

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2024

4:00 – 6:30 PM

Schedule of Events:

4:00 Liturgy in the Aux Gym (fulfills Sunday obligation)

4:40-5:15 New Student Gathering in Aux Gym (recommended)

4:40-6:15 Returning Students/Parents have an opportunity to explore, have dinner, and get acquainted with GCC.

4:40-5:15 Parent (New/Returning) Round Table Q & A with Principal, Theresa Szmed

(location to be announced) (optional)

Other Event Activities Available until 6:15 pm

Picnic Dinner served in the cafeteria (free) following the liturgy

Classroom Visits with teachers

Volunteer Clearance Workshop (computers available to apply and print clearances)

Liturgic Involvement Opportunities, Clubs, Sports Information Booths in the Main Gym

Welcome New Faculty

Ms. Anne Marie Battaglia (Math)

25+ Years Experience-Math and Science

B.A. of Arts in Science and Mathematics from University of West Florida

PA Certification in Secondary Science

Additional Certifications in PLTW and SmartLab

Ms. Livia Molinaro (Religion)

1+ Years Experience- Part-Time at GCC

M. A. in Franciscan University of Steubenville- Philosophy and Theology

Mr. Tyler Zimmer (Physical Education)

8+ Years Experience – Physical Education

M. A. in Physical Education and Health K-12 from Indiana University of Pennsylvania

PA Certification in Physical Education and Health

Ms. Alyssa Ambrisco (English)

3+ Years Experience- Secondary English

B.A. Degree in Secondary English Education from Waynesburg University

PA Certification in Secondary English

Brother Xavier O'Mara (Guidance Gr. 7-9)

15+ Years Experience – Admissions and Counseling

M.A. in Counselor Education-St. Vincent College

Ms. Julie Johnson (Math)

3+ Years Experience-Secondary Math

M.A. in Mathematics Education from Indiana University of Pennsylvania
PA Certification in Secondary Mathematics

Mr. Scott Martin (Religion)

30+ Years Experience- Faith Formation (Diocese of Greensburg)
M.A Religious Education- St. Vincent Seminary

Mr. Richard Stanley- (French II-V and German II-III)

20+ Years Experience- French and German Middle School, High School, Undergraduate
M.A. from Drexel University
PA Certification in French- K-12
German Proficiency, including translation

Volunteers Needed for Spirit Wear Store

Parents volunteers who have all their clearances are needed to help in the Spirit Wear store on Thursdays and Fridays during the lunch periods. If interested, please call Andrea Bossert at 724-640-6569.

Support Students in Catholic Schools

Support students in Catholic schools through the PA Educational Tax Credit Program. Click here to learn more: [EITC FLYER - 2024.pdf](#)

GCC AUCTION 2025

It's time to start planning our next auction. The GCC Auction is set for Friday, February 21, 2025!

The auction is our biggest fundraiser, but more importantly, it is the biggest opportunity for the Greensburg Central Catholic community to come together for fellowship in a fun-filled evening. We need you!

Be a part of planning the 2025 auction. Join the committee to plan the next auction.

The first meeting of the committee is Thursday, August 22, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the school cafeteria. Please contact Dennis Cremonese in the Advancement Office at dcremonese@gcchs.org or 724-834-0310 x4201 to offer to help.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A PEER TUTOR?

Attention students in grades 9-12! Would you be interested in helping your peers with their science and math classes? Mrs. Cullen needs new peer tutors to help after school Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays during the school year. You can pick your schedule and you will only tutor subjects that you are confident with. Service hours are available! Please submit the attached application to pcullen@gcchs.org or drop off a hard copy in room 302! Any questions can be directed to Mrs. Cullen. Click here for the application: [PEER TUTOR application-24-25-FILLABLE.pdf](#)

National Parks Tour: Are you interested?

Attention students in grades 7-11. Are you interested in a National Parks Tour during the summer of 2026? Visit Bryce Canyon, Zion National Park, the Grand Canyon and more! Please click here for a flyer with more details and information: [National Parks Flyer for students.pdf](#)

Junior High Soccer

Junior high soccer practice will begin on August 19th at 4:00 PM.

Supply Recommendations for Students

The Math Department highly recommends that students taking Honors Algebra II, Honors Trig & Precalculus, and AP Statistics purchase a TI-84 graphing calculator.

Jr. High Students:

2 binders with at least 12 dividers and looseleaf paper OR spiral notebooks (with enough sections for each subject) with pockets or folders o 1 single subject notebook is needed for Religion o A Music folder is supplied o 1 binder with 8 dividers is needed for Mrs. Ritenour • Planner or calendar • No.2 pencils (24 pack or larger) • Eraser • Colored pens (1 black or blue and 1 red for Mrs. Ritenour) • Highlighters • 4oz bottle of glue • 2 large glue sticks • Pencil case (soft and zippered is easy to carry) • Art supplies (8-12 count classic color markers, 24 count crayons or colored pencils) • Calculator (optional) *Cleaning Supplies • A box of tissues • Disinfectant wipes. Please turn in cleaning supplies to your homeroom teacher.

Bell Schedule Change for the 2024-2025 School Year

Beginning this school year, the morning warning bell is at 7:30 am. Homeroom begins at 7:35 am. All students must be in their homeroom by 7:35 am. Bus dismissal is 2:30 pm. Car Rider dismissal 2:34 pm.

[2024-2025 GCC School Pictures-Please see attached flyer](#)

School pictures are taken by Jostens Pix on the first day of school. Formal Uniform is required (No shorts). Please click here for the flyer with details: [2024 Fall Portrait Day \(4\).pdf](#)

Girls Formal Uniform: REQUIRED

Plaid Skirt OR Pants (Pants with GCC logo from Lands' End) White Oxford Dress Shirt with School Crest

Maroon Blazer with School Crest

Boys Formal Uniform: REQUIRED

Pants (Pants with GCC monogram from Lands' End)

White Oxford Dress Shirt with School Crest

Maroon Blazer with School Crest

Tie (Plaid from Log Cabin)

[Senior High Girls Soccer](#)

Any girl in grades 9-12 interested in playing soccer, please contact the coach, Derek Cuthbert at 724-261-9374.

[Girls Soccer Fundraiser](#)

Girls soccer is selling Golf Umbrellas with the GCC Logo. Please click here to order: [GCC Girls Soccer Umbrella Order form \(1\).pdf](#)

[Boy's Golf](#)

Any boy in grades 9-12 interested in playing golf should sign up via Final Forms.

[Parent Booster Presidents](#)

Any parent who plans to be a booster president for a fall sport, please email Ruth Ann at rgrant@gcchs.org with your name and indicate which sport, as well as the names of anyone else helping you.

Grades 7 & 8 Athletes

All athletes in grades 7 & 8 (cheer, football, cross country, soccer, etc.) must submit the PIAA physical packet to our trainer, Virginia, at vtinkey@gcchs.org.

PIAA Sports Physicals Required for All Athletes in Grades 7-12

If students are receiving physicals from their primary care physician or at an urgent care, physicals must be the PIAA form and completed after May 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 FinalForms 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.

Log Cabin Uniform Information

Please click here for instructions on ordering uniform items from Log Cabin Embroidery: [2024 GCC Flyer.pdf](#)

Fundraisers for the 2024-2025 School Year

All boosters/sports/clubs must submit the GCC Fundraising Request Form and gain approval prior to starting any fundraising. Please submit it to Dana Orange (dorange@gcchs.org). Click here for the form: [Fundraising Request 2.pdf](#)

GCC Lands' End Pants UPDATE:

Pants are available to try on in the main office until AUGUST 16. After this date we send them back to Lands' End.

Clearance Requirements

Any parent/guardian wishing to volunteer in any capacity at GCC-i.e boosters, chaperones, etc. must submit all required clearances. Submit to Ruth Ann at rgrant@gcchs.org. Click here for the list of required clearances and instructions on the Diocesan web site:

<https://www.dioceseofgreensburg.org/youth-protection/clearances/>

Parking Permits

Parking passes for the 2024-2025 school year are available on Final Forms. Students must purchase a new pass each year. Payment on Final Forms has been fixed and you are able to make payments now. The office still needs a copy of your driver's license or we are able to make a copy for you. Tags will be available for pick up during the first week of school. Anyone parking in the school parking lot MUST have a tag with the school year 2024-2025. Deadline for parking tags for current drivers is Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2024. Anyone parking without a tag after this date is in jeopardy of losing parking privileges. As drivers earn their licenses, it is their responsibility to obtain a parking tag before beginning to use the school parking lot.

Girls' Soccer

Girls in grades 9-12 interested in playing soccer this fall: Please email Dan Mahoney, Athletic Director, at dwmahoney@gcchs.org.

Coaching positions needed:

We are in need of the following coaches:

- Girls varsity tennis
- Jr hi coed soccer

If you are interested or know of anyone who might be interested, please email Mr. Mahoney at: dwmahoney@gcchs.org.

Sports Reminder

Parents: Please sign up on Final Forms for any sport your student wishes to play.

Please see attached 2024-2025 GCC Calendar: [GCC Calendar 2024-2025.pdf](#)