

**Courier - 09/14/2020**

**Mission:** *Genesee Christian School strives to develop spiritual, academic and extracurricular excellence, supporting families and local churches by training students in a biblical, Christ-centered environment.*

**Middle & High School: 810.743.3108**

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**General Inquiry: [gcs@geneseechristianschool.com](mailto:gcs@geneseechristianschool.com)**

**Athletics: [athletics@geneseechristianschool.com](mailto:athletics@geneseechristianschool.com)**

### **School Hours**

Preschool Fours (K-4): T, Th - 8:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Kindergarten (K-5): M, W, F - 8:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Elementary (1st-5th) M - F - 8:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Middle & High School (6th-12th): M - F - 8:10 a.m. - 3:05 p.m.

## **General News**

### **Homecoming**

This year's homecoming activities will look a little different than in previous years. Due to MHSAA spectator limitations, there will not be GCS Homecoming activities at the soccer game next Friday, September 25. The **GCS Elementary** will continue with their planned Spirit Week events next week, September 21-25. The **GCS Middle/High School** will postpone their Spirit Week until the week of October 12-16, concluding with special GCS HS "TailGate" on Saturday, October 17. The 9th - 12th grade classes will be able to display their class floats and be part of the class activities. Additionally, the GCS court presentation and king and queen crowning will occur at the tailgate event. **More information will be forthcoming.**

### **Picture Day is September 16- THIS Wednesday!!!**

Order forms were sent home last Tuesday (09/08/2020) for grades K-12th grade. K4 pictures will take place at a later date. There are order forms available on our website.

<http://www.geneseechristianschool.com/frequently-used-forms.html>

All students will have a photo taken even if no portrait package is purchased. Please bring the order form and payment on September 16. There are separate order forms for elementary, MS/HS, and seniors.

### **Bucks for Bibles Day is Coming September 18**

"Bucks for Bibles" is a dressdown fundraiser day for the Bearing Precious Seed Bible Project (BPS). Donate \$1 (or more) to the BPS project and you can wear jeans (no rips or tears) and a non-collared shirt for the day! **Elementary students may wear loose athletic pants.** The BPS project will take place in April at the MS/HS, but the fundraising takes place all year. Our goal is to raise \$7,000 to purchase materials and assemble 50,000+ John and Romans to send to mission fields around the world.

### **Adding Funds to Lunch Accounts**

Family Portal (parentsweb) underwent some changes this summer and due to these changes at this time you may be unable to electronically add funds to your lunch account. If you get an error message when adding funds to your lunch account you may try enabling cookies for the site or simply send in a check with your student. Checks may be made out to GCS and given to Mrs. Riley in the lunchroom. Hopefully this problem will be fixed very soon. Thank you.

### **COVID Waiver**

If you have not already done so, please send a signed copy of the Covid-19 waiver (one per family) to [gcs@geneseechristianschool.com](mailto:gcs@geneseechristianschool.com) This document was sent by email to families on August 4, 2020 and the form is also available on Family Portal>>>School>>>Resource Documents.

### **Health Screening Daily**

Please be sure to assess your child's health every morning before sending them to school. Parents need to monitor body temperature every morning, along with possible symptoms. Please keep students home if they are experiencing two or more Covid-19 symptoms or have a fever. We appreciate your help in keeping our school body healthy.

## **Elementary**

### **Picture Day!**

Remember Picture Day this Wednesday. Please send the order form and money with your child. Only packages 1-5 include a yearbook. If you do not want pictures but still would like to pre-order a yearbook, please mark package 18 which is \$9.00. K4 pictures will be taken at a later time.

### **Bucks for Bibles**

Friday, September 18th is our first Bucks for Bibles day! (See General News for more information) Elementary students may wear loose athletic pants in addition to a non-collared shirt when they bring in \$1 (or more) donation.

### **Spirit Week**

Spirit Week is coming up next week and we are excited for all of the fun things in store! Treat Order Forms will be coming home in folders today. Look for your teacher to send more information home as it gets closer and more details are announced!

Elementary Days of the Week and Order Sheet -

<http://www.geneseechristianschool.com/frequently-used-forms.html>

### **Emergencies**

Continue to get us information on all food allergies. All inhalers and epi pens must be kept in the office in case of emergency. Please send them in ASAP.

### **Medication**

All medications are to be sent to the office along with a completed permission form available at [http://www.geneseechristianschool.com/uploads/1/1/9/2/11927967/permission\\_form\\_for\\_rx.pdf](http://www.geneseechristianschool.com/uploads/1/1/9/2/11927967/permission_form_for_rx.pdf). For all prescription medications please complete and sign the school form. All medications must be in original containers.

### **Box Tops**

Download the Box Top app and scan receipts for our school. Every bit helps!

### **Slush!**

We LOVE our slush days! Slushes can be purchased for 75 cents most Fridays. A punch ticket may also be purchased.

## **Middle/High School**

### **Junior and Senior Parent Meetings (11th & 12th) - Attendance is HIGHLY Encouraged**

**Parents of Juniors** are invited to attend a meeting on **September 21st at 6:00 p.m.** in the HS cafeteria in order to review information regarding testing, scheduling, and college preparedness.

**Parents of Seniors** are invited to attend a meeting on **September 21st at 7:00 p.m.** in the HS cafeteria in order to review information regarding testing, senior year requirements, and college preparedness.

### **Cyber Soldiers**

Come check out the robotics team, Cyber Soldiers. It's a great chance to get to know what we do without a long commitment. We are currently meeting on Monday afternoons in the Wood Shop (upstairs across the hall from Mrs. Boike's classroom).

September 14th	3:30pm-5:30pm
September 21th	3:30pm-5:30pm
September 28th	3:30pm-5:30pm

### **Lunch visitor policy**

Several parents and family members value the opportunity to have lunch with their child during the school day. Parents are welcome to pick up their child and take them out to lunch. If a grandparent or other relatives want to take a student out to lunch the parent/guardian must write a note in advance indicating who it is and the lunch date. In an effort to support safety and wellness we do have a closed campus with no lunch visitors allowed in the school.

### **Senior Pictures Taken Here – September 16**

In the past few years it has become increasingly difficult for high school Seniors to obtain a head and shoulder picture for the yearbook. This year GCS is having Photo Factory come to the school on September 16th to take yearbook pictures for our Senior Class. The ENTIRE class will have a school picture taken (at no cost) to be used in the yearbook. Additional copies will be available for purchase through Photo Factory.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Girls will need to wear a nice modest blouse for their picture and boys will need to wear a collared shirt and tie.

### **Driver's Training**

Genesee Driving School will be conducting Segment I driver education at GCS starting October 12th. Segment II class will start October 19th. See Mrs. Lunney for contracts or call 564-0808 for more information.

### **Athletics**

#### **Fall Game Guidelines:**

**FALL ADMISSION FEES SUSPENDED:** There will be no admission fees taken for fall home athletic events. This will apply to high school and junior high sports for the fall season. We appreciate our fans' difficulty with the application of rules related to COVID this year, and we hope this helps. Again, please be aware that this applies to home events in the fall.

**SPECTATORS ARE LIMITED TO TWO GUESTS PER ATHLETE ON THE GAME ROSTER.** For each athlete, guests may have varying relationships with the athlete (parent, sibling, grandparent, friend, etc.), but only a total of two per athlete will be admitted per game.

**ALL SPECTATORS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR A FACE MASK** to the game and throughout the contest while at the field.

**THERE WILL BE NO CONCESSIONS OFFERED.** (Note: restrooms will be open and available.)

Please be aware: The rules on spectators wearing masks, crowd limits and concessions will be in place for the rest of the season, home and away, until further notice.

### **Sports Fees**

Each student athlete must pay the following sports fee per sport/per season. These fees should be turned in to the Athletic Office before the first game.

JV/Varsity - \$75.00

Junior High - \$50.00

Elementary Basketball Jet League (5th&6th) - \$35.00

### **Athletic Fall Schedule**

The Fall Sports Schedule is available online at <http://www.geneseechristianschool.com/athletics.html>. Many practice times are not yet determined but the schedule will be updated when the information is made available to us.