



Note from the Principal

The following is a part of the Principal's Report that was presented last week at the Annual GMS Business Meeting.

We are one fourth of the way through the school year - the 97th year that GMS has been in operation! Once again, we started the year with waiting lists in several classes. It has been another good start to the year and the school feels full. Classrooms are full, hallways are full, the cafeteria is full, and our schedules are full. We are thankful for every student and family that God has sent to us and that we are able to build relationships with these students and point their hearts and minds to Jesus. We are challenged and humbled by the fact that so many parents have chosen to entrust their children to us each day and we want to honor them by doing that well.

With that in mind, as we started this year we have continued to work towards accreditation with ACSI. There are several reasons schools seek accreditation, but for us the overriding goal is for improvement and accountability in what we do. At our Professional Development Day last week we worked on two aspects of this process. The first is that we continued to look at each of the ACSI standards gathering evidence and documentation to prove that we are. In areas that need adjusting, we are working on new policies to be considered by the board as well as ways we can better meet standards in our daily practice.

The second aspect of accreditation is making sure that each teacher has established a Philosophy of Education that is in alignment with our mission and vision for the school. Each faculty member is doing some reading, watching a series of videos, and writing a four-to-six-page paper addressing the different aspects of that philosophy. The discussions that have come out of this process have been very valuable.

In closing, as you can likely tell from the way I am dressed, it is Spirit Week here at the school as fall athletes head into their championships this weekend. Judging by the way everyone looked today and the conversations I overheard in the hallways, morale is good amongst our student body. We had a pep rally at the end of the day and the students were very excited. When I think of morale I also think of overall school culture and climate. Morale is a big part of that but not all of it. I believe that most students are glad to be here and feel great about the school in general. A piece that is concerning in the school culture at times is how students treat each other - are they kind and do they treat each other well? For the most part I would say that they do, but certainly not always and not to the level that we would like for them to do so. When we are informed of mean behavior, we take it seriously and have conversations/consequences, but often mean behaviors are subtle and not in front of adults so it is difficult to address. We would love to have our students understand that Jesus would want them to treat everyone around them with kindness and respect regardless of who is watching.

As I mentioned at the beginning, our vision is to point hearts and minds to Jesus. We are working hard at that every day. We are encouraging each other to do so when we meet for devotions each morning. We are doing it through chapel talks, Bible classes, and by modeling it throughout our daily activities. Please pray for us and with us as we work with that as our goal.

Mr. Duane Miller

FALL AUCTION

Saturday, November 2

All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast 7:00—9:30
Live & Silent Auctions begin @ 9am
Lunch/Concessions open @ 10:30
Class Baskets auctioned @ 11:00

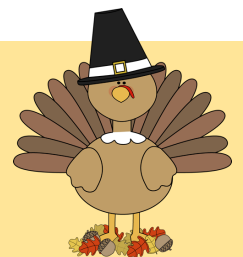
*Crafts & movies for the kids, vendors and
bake sale available during the auction*

Fundraiser Reminders:

- The Kent County Candle orders are due November 8.
- Gift card orders are due December 6—see attached order form

You're invited to Thanksgiving Dinner

November 20 | Adult meals are \$12.



Lunch Schedules

PreK/K:	10:40 - 11:05		
1st/2nd:	10:50 - 11:15	5th-8th	11:30- 12:00
3rd/4th:	11:10 - 11:35	9th-12th	12:00 - 12:30



November 2024

GREENWOOD MENNONITE SCHOOL CALENDAR

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
November 4 Middle School Day Out	5 No School: Election Day	6	7 8:30 Elem (Prek-1st) Chapel: Mrs. Kauffman 2:15pm Poetry Contest (K-4)	8 8:30 HS Chapel: Lancaster Bible 9:30 MS Chapel: Lancaster Bible 3:30 ⚽ Alumni vs. Varsity Soccer 6pm 🏐 Alumni vs. Varsity Volleyball	9
Chicken & Rice Casserole	No Lunch	Pizza	Tomato Soup & Grilled Cheese	BBQ Pork	
11 No School: Professional Development Day	12 No Lunch	13 Math League Meet	14 8:30 Elem (2nd-4th) Chapel: Mrs. Morris & Mrs. Burris	15 8:30 HS Chapel: Connection Groups 9:30 MS Chapel: Mrs. Wilkins	16
No Lunch	Orange Chicken	Pizza	Taco Salad	Cheesy Ham & Potatoes	
18	19 4pm 🏀 Vars Boys Basketball vs Delaware Valley Classical	20	21 LifeTouch Picture Day	22 8:30 HS Chapel: BJU Ministry Group 9:30 MS Chapel: BJU Ministry Group 4pm 🏀 Vars Girls Bball vs. Aquinas 6:30p 🏀 Vars Boys Bball vs. Aquinas	23
Hot Dogs	Chicken Nuggets & Rice	Thanksgiving Dinner	Pizza Bites	Sloppy Joes	
25 High School J Term	26 High School J Term 4:30 🏀 Future Flames Game 6pm 🏀 Varsity Girls Alumni Game 7:15 🏀 Varsity Boys Alumni Game	27 No School - Thanksgiving Break	28 No School - Thanksgiving Break	29 No School - Thanksgiving Break	30
Chicken-etti	French Toast & Sausage	No Lunch	No Lunch	No Lunch	
December 2	3 Midterm 2 4pm 🏀 VG Bball @ Salisbury Christian 5:30 🏀 VB Bball @ Salisbury Christian	4	5 8:30 Elem (2nd-4th) Chapel Cindy Long	6 8:30 HS Chapel: 9:30 MS Chapel: Vars Bball Tourn @ Harford Christian	7
Mexican Shepherd's Pie	Cheeseburgers	Pizza	Chicken Patties	Meatball Subs	

Please send yearbook photos to gmsyearbook@gmsflames.org | Please note that the lunch menu is always subject to change at the cook's discretion.

Family Order Form

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Greenwood Mennonite School

Please return your forms by Wednesday, December 6th for delivery by December 20th.

Name	Customer #
Check #	Order Date

Product	%	QTY	Total
Amazon \$100.00	1.6%		\$
Amazon \$25.00	1.6%		\$
Amazon \$50.00	1.6%		\$
American Eagle® \$25.00	10%		\$
Applebee's® \$25.00	8%		\$
Applebee's® \$50.00	8%		\$
Arby's \$10.00	8%		\$
Barnes & Noble \$10.00	8%		\$
Barnes & Noble \$25.00	8%		\$
Bass Pro Shops \$25.00	9%		\$
Bath & Body Works \$10.00	12%		\$
Bath & Body Works \$25.00	12%		\$
Bob Evans Restaurants® \$10.00	10%		\$
Buffalo Wild Wings® \$10.00	8%		\$
Buffalo Wild Wings® \$25.00	8%		\$
Burlington \$25.00	8%		\$
Cabela's \$100.00	9%		\$
Cabela's \$25.00	9%		\$
Cheddars \$25.00	8%		\$
Children's Place \$25.00	12%		\$
Chili's Grill & Bar \$25.00	11%		\$
Chili's Grill & Bar \$50.00	11%		\$
Chipotle Mexican Grill \$10.00	9%		\$
Chipotle Mexican Grill \$25.00	9%		\$
Cold Stone Creamery \$10.00	11%		\$
Dairy Queen \$10.00	6.5%		\$
Dick's Sporting Goods \$25.00	8%		\$
Domino's \$10.00	8%		\$
DSW \$25.00	10.5%		\$
Dunkin' \$10.00	3.5%		\$
Gap \$25.00	14%		\$
Hardee's \$10.00	5%		\$
HomeGoods \$25.00	6%		\$

Product	%	QTY	Total
IHOP \$25.00	8%		\$
JCPenney \$25.00	7%		\$
Krispy Kreme® Doughnut Corporation \$10.00	8%		\$
Little Caesars Pizza \$20.00	8%		\$
Lowe's \$25.00	4%		\$
Macy's \$25.00	10%		\$
Marshalls \$25.00	6%		\$
Michaels \$25.00	6%		\$
Old Navy \$25.00	14%		\$
Olive Garden \$25.00	8%		\$
Panera Bread \$10.00	8%		\$
Panera Bread \$25.00	8%		\$
Papa John's Pizza \$10.00	8%		\$
Red Lobster \$25.00	8%		\$
Royal Farms \$100.00	4%		\$
Royal Farms \$25.00	4%		\$
Ruth's Chris Steak House \$100.00	8%		\$
Sam's Club \$100.00	2.5%		\$
Sam's Club \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Sam's Club \$50.00	2.5%		\$
Starbucks \$10.00	4.5%		\$
Starbucks \$25.00	4.5%		\$
Subway Restaurants \$10.00	6%		\$
T.J.Maxx/ Marshalls/ HomeGoods/ Sierra \$25.00	6%		\$
Taco Bell \$10.00	5%		\$
Target \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Target \$50.00	2.5%		\$
Texas Roadhouse \$100.00	8%		\$
Texas Roadhouse \$25.00	8%		\$
TGI Fridays \$25.00	9%		\$
Visa Gift Card - No Activation Fee \$100.00	1.25%		\$
Visa Gift Card - No Activation Fee \$250.00	1.25%		\$

Product	%	QTY	Total
Visa Gift Card - No Activation Fee \$50.00	1.25%		\$
Walmart \$100.00	2.5%		\$
Walmart \$25.00	2.5%		\$
Walmart \$50.00	2.5%		\$

Make Checks Payable To: *Greenwood Mennonite School*

Total Due All Columns:

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