



HOME BULLETIN

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GHCS Mission: Educating minds and shaping hearts for service to God in His world.

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Our theme is: Unity

Theme Verse: Psalm 133:1

"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity."

We live in a time and in a world where division and differences are focused on far more than unity. Therefore, we will teach our students throughout the year to take encouragement in being united with Christ, regardless of the differences that surround us.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- 11,18,25 Moms in Prayer 1:45-2:30 pm
- 13 Walk by Faith 1:00 pm
- 19 & 20 CEA Convention (No School)**
- 23 GHCS Board Meeting at 7:00 pm
- 23,24,25 Dad's Night at 6:30 pm
- 24 Culver's Cares Night 5:00 – 8:00 pm
- 25 All-school chapel at 8:00 am
- 27 End of 1st Quarter

NOVEMBER

- 1 Pastor's Breakfast
- 1 Report Cards
- 3 Spirit Day
- 12 Preschool Thanksgiving Service @ Covenant Life Church at 1:30 pm
- 20/21 Y5-8 Conferences 4:00 – 8:00 pm
- 22 - 24 Thanksgiving Break (No School)**
- 27 GHCS Board Meeting at 7:00 pm
- 29 All-school Chapel at 8:00 am

. WALK BY FAITH – Oct. 13

All students Y5-8th grade will "Walk by Faith" this Friday, October 13 from 1:00 to 2:00. If you accepted the grants offered during the GHCS enrollment process, you benefit from this fundraiser. The dollars collected help keep tuition affordable for all GHCS families. Please continue to solicit pledges. Every dollar helps!

REMINDER TO PARENTS

- For the safety of your children, please use the corner or crosswalk on Colfax Street when crossing the street.
- Please remind your child(ren), in the morning, to watch for cars when waiting at bus stops and especially if walking to or from school. This time of year mornings are dark and it is hard for drivers to see pedestrians.
- Please **DO NOT** park on the north side of Grant Street where there are no parking signs during designated times (even if only dropping off/picking up).

- All buses now come on the Grant Street side. This will leave the Colfax side open for parents to drop off or pick up their child(ren). Please stay out of the bus loading zones on Grant Street when dropping off or picking up.
- Tuition is due on the 10th of each month. A late fee (\$10 for preschool and \$25 for Y5-8th) will be added to your account after the 20th. Please check RenWeb to see your balance for tuition, hot lunch, and surround care. Timely payments are very important for the operation of GHCS.

NO SCHOOL OCT. 19 & 20

October 19 & 20 our teachers will be attending the Christian Educators Association Convention in Holland, MI. There will be no school for preschool – 8th grade on these two days. Surround Care is available. If you need Surround Care, please sign up by TODAY!



PLAN AHEAD!!!

October 24 is GHCS Culver's Night! 10% of ALL the proceeds from 5-8:00 will go back to GHCS. Easy money - bring your families, eat yummy food, and support the school! Use Culver gift cards (available through TRIP in the office) to pay for your meal! We do need 4 adults and 3-4 teens (must be 16 y/o+) to help serve that night. This will count for service hours! Contact Rebecca Horne @edensparents@comcast.net.

SCHOOL EMERGENCIES

If there is ever an emergency that requires the school to be evacuated or if there is a dangerous situation at the school, we have been offered the facilities of Second Reformed Church to connect students with parents. If this happens, please do not try to come onto or near the school property, instead go to Second Reformed Church for information or to meet your children. Second Reformed is located southwest of the school at the corner of Waverly and Despelder. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Onderlinde at 842-5420.

GIRLS ON THE RUN

Girls on the Run is a wonderful program which encourage positive body image and health for girls in the area. 3RD – 5TH grade girls participate in a training program to compete in the spring in a 5K. It begins after Christmas, but for planning purposes, we are seeking moms or friends who may be interested in helping to coach this program. If interested, please email Kristin Clausing at kclausing@grandhavenchristian.org.

REPORTING ABSENCES

The Ottawa Health Department requires our school to make a weekly report of communicable diseases. Please call the school office (842-5420) by 8:30 a.m. to report your child's absence and if sick, please be specific about the illness. It is very important to let us know if your child has a fever, rash, measles, mumps, hepatitis, scarlet fever, strep throat, whooping cough, encephalitis, meningitis, chicken pox, or has symptoms of the flu.

MOMS IN PRAYER

Moms in Prayer is a group of moms that pray for our students, staff, school, and community. They would love for you to join them. They meet weekly, on Wednesday, from 1:45-2:30. Please consider joining, it also can count toward your service hours. Please contact Brooke Campbell with any questions at: jonandbrooke@gmail.com.

BOX TOPS REMINDER

Preschool – 5th grade: PLEASE!!! Turn in ALL Box Tops and collection sheets, by **OCTOBER 18**, so the school doesn't lose money. That's what happens when they EXPIRE in your cupboard and we can't send them in.

HELP NEEDED!

GHCS is responsible to provide volunteers to staff DIBS (a second-hand retail store near the Muskegon Mall) the **2nd Friday and Saturday of each month**. Please call DIBS at 231-798-2252 to volunteer for October 13 or 14 from 10 am - 12:30 pm or 12:30 pm - 3 pm

SIGN UP TODAY!

Sign up to bring Mrs. Terborg a meal using the following link <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084EA8AC2BABFE3-feeding>. We also have individuals who are willing to deliver meals to her. Please contact the office (842-5420) if you need someone to deliver your meal.

HOT LUNCH MENU: Oct. 12-18 (see www.grandhavenchristian.org for complete monthly menu)

Thursday, Oct. 12	Friday, October 13	Monday, Oct. 16	Tuesday, Oct. 17	Wednesday, Oct. 18
Walking tacos Refried beans Fresh fruit Salad bar	Subs salami, ham, turkey and bacon Curly fries fresh fruit Salad bar	Cheese burger Baked beans Fresh fruit Salad bar	Dominos pizza Corn Fresh fruit Salad bar	Chicken tenders Mac & cheese Fresh fruit Salad bar

ESTATE PLANNING

If you have any questions about planning your estate, we would be happy to put you in touch with Mrs. Amy Baty, our representative of the Barnabas Foundation. There is NO expense for you to confer with Amy. Barnabas does not do the actual estate plans; their service is to present you with options and ideas so that your estate is not lost through estate taxes, etc. It is important that you make these plans. There are also several parents in our school who work with investments and would also be willing to provide free financial consultation. Call the Development Office (842-5420) for more information.

COMMON SENSE FLU PREVENTION

No one likes to be sick with the flu. During flu season, there are ways to help reduce your risk of getting the illness. And if you do get sick, there are things you can do to prevent spreading the flu to others.

▫ **FOR THE UMPTEENTH TIME, WASH YOUR HANDS**

Wash your hands often during flu season. Always wash them after using the restroom and before eating or preparing food. In between, you can use an alcohol based hand sanitizer, and avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.

▫ **FOR GOODNESS SALES, COVER YOUR MOUTH WHEN YOU SNEEZE.**

When you cough or sneeze, viruses release into the air and other people inhale them. Covering your mouth and nose with a tissue or your inner elbow reduces the viruses that enter the air. By using your inner elbow or a tissue instead of your hand, you are not spreading the viruses to the things you touch.

▫ **YOU'RE OLD ENOUGH TO KNOW BETTER, DON'T GO TO WORK SICK.**

When others are sick, avoid contact with them. And when you are sick, keep your distance from others. Stay home from work, school, errands, and other events. Plus, getting plenty of rest will help you recover faster.

GYM USE/RENTAL

Individuals or groups interested in using the gym after school hours are asked to please contact Tim Annema at tannema@grandhavenchristian.org or 231.750.0682.