

Start of School Information for Greenfield-Central High School Students

June 30, 2023

Dear GCHS Parent,

We are so excited for the upcoming school year! Please take the time to read this letter carefully as there are several important items that will help ensure a smooth start to the new school year for all of us!

The first day of school will be **Wednesday, August 2.** Please continue to check your ParentSquare information and the GCHS and GCCSC Corporation websites for current information on the start of school. *GCHS Main Offices will open July* **17 at 8 a.m.** The counseling office will be open July **19 at 8:30 AM.** All counselors will be back in the office on July **31.** Individual counselors will be available by appointment starting July **25.** Please keep an eye on PowerSchool at the end of July for your student's schedule.

Registration:

Online Registration will open in PowerSchool by noon, Monday, July 17.

It is important that you carefully check all areas of Online Registration to ensure your information is current for school use.

Parents must register via the Parent Portal of PowerSchool before a student can see their schedule. If a parent needs help registering, they may come to the Corporation Registration Open House Thursday, July 20, Noon to 7 p.m. in the Greenfield Central Junior High School Cafeteria. Assistance will also be available during the times posted for July 24 - 26.

Students new to GCHS, those that were not enrolled at a GC school last school year, should email or call Stacie Sheffield, Registrar, ssheffield@gcsc.k12.in.us, to schedule an appointment with their assigned counselor. Families with students in grades K-12 who are new to the Corporation may come to the Corporation Registration open house Thursday, July 20, Noon to 7 p.m. in the Greenfield-Central Junior High School Cafeteria.

Class Selection Information:

Schedules will be official August 2, the first day of school. School counselors will still make adjustments as needed to schedules until the first day of school. <u>Course changes</u> will only be made after the summer request window, if there was a mistake or if graduation requirements are affected. Please keep an eye on the Counseling Google Classrooms by cohort, and ParentSquare for pertinent Summer updates and the course change request form if needed.

Locker numbers and locker combination information are available in PowerSchool in the same window as student schedules

Student iPad Information/Student Tours:

Student iPads will be distributed to all students the first day of school in their first block class. Students who do not have a Blue 1 at GCHS should report to the Library upon their arrival the first day of school.

GCHS will be open July 24, 25, 26 for students to come in and walk their classes and find their lockers. The school will be open the following times for families to come in an walk around:

Monday, July 24	8 a.m 3 p.m
Tuesday, July 25	8 a.m 6 p.m
Wednesday, July 26	8 a.m 3 p.m

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If a student would like a personal tour, they should reach out to Ms. Coleman at scoleman@gcsc.k12.in.us.

iPad Insurance may be purchased each year for \$40. It may be purchased via EZ School Pay or by sending a check to the High School within the first week of school.

Information from the Counseling Office -- Transcripts and Communication

The Greenfield-Central High School Counseling Office will be working with GCHS families to assist with the career planning, college application, and transcript processes, as well as scholarship information. We use Common Application and Parchment exclusively to track college applications and transcript requests for our seniors. *It is very important that families have current emails in PowerSchool and ParentSquare accounts so we can communicate with all parents and students.*

Students (and parents) should join their class's Google Classroom managed by the Counseling Office. **We post all important information for students in these classrooms**. This is also where the <u>scholarship listing</u> is housed. The join codes for each grade level are listed below:

Class of 2027- ubv2sus **Class of 2026** - mttxzfh **Class of 2025** - 5fqvjc4 **Class of 2024** - kpfe2pz Again, all relevant information from the Counseling Office will be posted in these classrooms.

Daily Schedule Notes:

- 1. GCHS will follow our traditional Blue/Gold calendar for the school year. A copy can be found under the Registration tab on the school website.
- 2. South end doors will open when buses arrive for bus riders. Door 1 will open at 8:10 a.m. each morning. Students will head to class as soon as they arrive at school.
- 3. Students needing breakfast may stop by the cafeteria.

ECA/Athletic Participation Forms Online:

GCHS uses an online forum for registering students to participate in athletics/extracurricular/co-curricular activities. To complete your student's online forms, click on the FinalForms link found under the More Tab (hover over More, then go to GCHS Athletic Paperwork) on the GCHS Sports website <u>www.gchscougars.com</u>. Please fill out all required fields/information for your student athlete.

Students participating in certain extracurricular/co-curricular activities should complete the information on this site as well. Sponsors will inform those students that will need to complete Final Forms.

Miscellaneous Information:

- 1. *High School Fees* are available on the GCCSC Website. Applications for Free and Reduced fees can be accessed from the GCCSC Corporation website or paper applications can be picked up in the GCHS Main Office.
- 2. Student Pictures will be taken in English classes Thursday, August 10 and Friday, August 11. Packets will be distributed to all underclassmen after school begins.
- *3.* **Yearbooks** covering the 2022-2023 school year will be available after school starts. Please listen to announcements for distribution information.
- 4. **Student Athletes** must have a completed IHSAA Pre-Participation Physical and completed the online signature page through FinalForms to be able to condition/try out for a sport. The IHSAA Pre-Participation Physical may be

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uploaded in FinalForms by the parent/student athlete or turned into the Athletic Office. The IHSAA Physical form is available on the Athletic Webpage by hovering over the More Tab and found under Required Athletic Paperwork or in the Athletic Office.

Thank you in advance for your help with these items. We are constantly looking to improve our process. Please do not hesitate to contact the school should you need assistance.

Sincerely,

Jason Cary Principal Greenfield-Central High School

Items below appear on the High School website under the Start of School tab:

General Information

- 2022-2023 GC School Calendar
- 2022-2023 Blue/Gold Calendar. Classes will follow our traditional blue/gold rotating calendar. Each semester will begin on a Blue day.
- Random Drug Testing Information and Procedures
- Meal Pricing Please note students will need to pay for meals this year unless they have applied/been approved for Free and Reduced Lunch.
- Student Parking Information and Form 2022-2023 -- Parking permits will be sold once the school year begins. If you purchased a permit last year, you do not need a new one unless you lost your original permit.

Athletic Information

- Season Ticket and Pass Prices 2023-2024
- GCHS Booster Club 23-24 information can be found at
 <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4badaa22a6fbc16-gchs#/</u>
- 2023-2024 GCHS Athletic Opportunities
- Concussion Fact Sheet 2 pages

Medical Information

Students with medical conditions that require special medical attention must have an *Emergency Care Plan* on file with the school health assistant. Students requiring medication at school must have the proper paperwork on file along with the medication. These forms can be found at http://gchs.gcsc.k12.in.us/?page_id=11635.

- Grades 7-12 Self Carry OTC Medication Form C525-F should be printed, completed and turned in
- Prescription Medication and Over the Counter Medication that is stored and administered in the Clinic must be accompanied by Form 5330 F1
- Emergency Care Plan (ECP) an ECP should be completed for any student with asthma, severe allergies, seizures, or other serious medical conditions. Contact Dawn Hanson, corporation nurse, at 317-462-9211 with questions.

Student Assistance Program.

Access to quality mental health is important to your school. Greenfield-Central Community Schools provides the Student Assistance Plan (SAP) as a benefit to all students. See the flier under the Registration tab of the school website for more information.

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