



# Greenacres Christian Academy

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Dear Parents,

We hope all is well with you and your family and we pray you are having an amazing summer! During this summer break, we know many families are preparing for the new school year by purchasing new uniforms and school supplies along with planning their calendar for this next school year. Attached is our welcome packet with our school calendar, supply lists, and arrival/dismissal procedures. You may view our handbook, LIVE calendar, FAQs, and faculty on the home page of our website [www.greenacreschristianacademy.com](http://www.greenacreschristianacademy.com).

**Please be informed: important new information is enclosed. Be sure to read this letter thoroughly. Thank you!**

We wanted to brief all of our parents on our uniform guidelines, school procedures, and new event info that will be in place for the 17-18 school year.

## UNIFORMS

Our uniform company is Harris Uniforms located off I-95 & Blue Heron Blvd.  
Order online or visit the store. [www.harrisschooluniforms.com/store/](http://www.harrisschooluniforms.com/store/)

Students are required to wear ONLY BLUE bottoms.

Please make sure pants/shorts are uniform style. \*Purchased in the uniform section and are a loose fit. Skorts/Skirts must be purchased at Harris and must reach the top of the knee.

None uniform style: Cargo style w/pockets on legs, jean material, corduroy material, leggings, or skinny/tight-fit bottoms are NOT acceptable.

## Uniform Guidelines

**Boys** may wear BLUE uniform style pants or shorts with green, maroon, black or yellow polo shirts with our school logo, and belt.

**Girls** may choose from solid BLUE or plaid blue skirts/skorts, or BLUE uniform style pants with yellow, green, black or maroon polo shirts with our school logo.

Girls 4th grade and younger may wear blue uniform shorts that come to the knee, Skort/Skirt, **or** the solid blue cotton uniform dress with our logo. \*Girls 5th-12th grade may NOT wear shorts.

Shoes must be closed toe/closed heeled.

Jackets/sweaters must be school uniform and either purchased from Harris OR students may wear school hooded sweaters from [www.spiritandpride.com](http://www.spiritandpride.com) (packets for ordering will go home at the beginning of the school year - Please do not wait to order as these may take up to 4 weeks to receive and may not be available for purchase after a certain date)

## PACKED LUNCHES

**Due to microwave safety codes**, microwaves will be used for the purpose of re-heating lunch items only; no cooking.

Students will have a limit of 1:30 to heat up before lunch time only. Students may NOT pack food in need of cooking. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: all frozen foods, hot pockets, tv dinners, pot pies, uncooked pasta, uncooked macaroni and cheese, ramen noodles/cup-o-noodles, popcorn.

A suggestion would be to already have these types of items cooked and bring to school in a microwave safe container to reheat or send in a thermos. \*The school does not provide containers/plates for reheating items. The school does offer vending items such as snacks and drinks for \$1-\$2 and we do provide the option to purchase daily lunch delivery.

## WWW.GRADELINK.COM

Gradelink is our Student information system. Here you will be able to see our updated school news/announcements, be able to view your child's report grades/transcript immediately after they are published, and track your child's attendance. You may also set up alerts for your child's attendance/grades and easily switch to another child by clicking on the family icon on the top right corner.

You can download the Gradelink app to your phone. Search for "Gradelink" in your phone's app store.

After you download the app you can log in with your username and password. Our school code is 1362.

\*If you are a current GCA family and forgot your Gradelink username and password please just email me with your child's name and I will send it to you. [Victoriafritsch83@gmail.com](mailto:Victoriafritsch83@gmail.com)

\*If you are a NEW family this year to GCA, you will receive your Gradelink login info when school begins.



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## New Student documents needed

Please make sure the school office has your child's birth certificate, shot record, and school physical by the time school begins. New students may not attend school until these documents are accounted for. Thank you in advance.

## Returning Students documents needed

If your child is entering the 7th grade please make sure the school has your child's updated shot record including the 7th grade TDAP. Also, if your child plans on participating in our sports program, please make sure they have a new physical completed by the start of school. Thank you in advance.

## NEW THIS YEAR

**MEET THE TEACHER and DROP OFF SUPPLIES** on Monday, August 21st. The day before school begins we will have an open house where you may drop off school supplies and meet your child's teacher. The open house will be from 9am-2pm.

## PARENT ORIENTATION/CURRICULUM NIGHT

This is MANDATORY for all new parents, however, we do encourage all of our returning parents to attend, especially if your child has a new teacher this year. **Our Kindergarten-7th grade orientation will take place at 6:00pm on Monday, August 28th @ \*Legacy Church. Our 8th-12th grade orientation will take place at 6:00pm on Tuesday, August 29th @ \*Legacy Church.**

\*Our chapel building (Legacy Church) is located directly across the street from the school.

Subjects to be covered at Orientation include:

- Curriculum specifics
- Academic Expectations
- Handbook and Procedures
- Gradelink
- School Events
- Parent involvement/expectations

## SCHOOL PICNIC

By popular demand we will be bringing back one of GCA's most treasured events—our school picnic! Look for details on this event once school begins.

Important Upcoming Dates

### AUGUST

- 21 (Monday) (9am-2pm) Meet the teacher—drop of supplies  
22 (Tuesday) (8:30am) First Day of School  
28 (Monday) (6:00pm) Kindergarten—7th grade Parent Orientation  
29 (Tuesday) (6:00pm) 8th-12th grade Parent Orientation (**Mandatory** for ALL new and returning families. This meeting will cover important high school information and what you need to know as your child prepares to earn their diploma.)

### SEPTEMBER

- 04 (Monday) NO SCHOOL, Labor Day  
11 (Monday) 3 week student progress reports  
12 (Tuesday) Super Tuesday  
15 (Friday) Student Council Elections  
21 (Thursday) School Pictures (Elementary/Lower Middle School)  
22 (Friday) School Pictures (Upper Middle School/High School)  
27 (Wednesday) "SEE YOU AT THE POLE @7am—all parents, staff, and students are invited to attend.

Once again, thank you for choosing Greenacres Christian Academy. We look forward to a wonderful school year!