



## GSL eNews

Monday, Jan. 31, 2022

### CALENDAR PREVIEW

*Next 4 Weeks*

#### January

**31- Feb. 16**

5th/6th Grade First Trimester Art Show  
Anchor Center Alumni Lobby

**31**

Voluntary COVID testing, LL-8,  
9-11 a.m., Trezevant Hall

#### February

**1**

**Re-enrollment Agreements Due!**

Middle School Chapel: 7th-8th at 8 a.m.; 5th-6th at  
8:15 a.m.

**2**

Lower School Chapel: 3th-4th at 8:05 a.m.; 1st-  
2nd at 8:25 a.m.

Clergy Visits SK Classrooms, 8:45 a.m.

Required COVID testing for unvaccinated 5/6  
athletes and unvaccinated 4th-6th grade play  
participants, 9-11 a.m., Trezevant Hall

Preschool Parent Workshop on Discipline  
5:30-7 p.m., Anchor Center After School Care  
Room; see email sent January 12 to RSVP

**3**

All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.  
Chapel Talks by Ana Thompson, Madden Oatis,  
and Will Fogerty

Clergy Visits Preschool Classrooms, 8:45 a.m.

**4**

Celebration, 8:05 a.m., hosted by Shannon



#### Re-enrollment Agreements for the 2022-23 School Year

Re-enrollment Agreements were emailed to families Tuesday, January 18. To date, we've received 112 applications from prospective families – a record number of applications! – for the coming year. So please turn in your agreement to reserve your spot now. You can avoid a \$150 late fee by submitting your agreement no later than tomorrow, Tuesday, February 1.

As a reminder, to be offered an agreement, your financial account must be current. Agreements received after Feb. 1 will incur a late fee of \$150.

For questions about enrollment, contact Shelly McGuire [via email](#) or at 901.278.0200. For questions about your financial account, contact Daniel Fundo [via email](#) or at 901.278.0200.



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Required COVID testing for unvaccinated 7/8 athletes and play participants, 9-11 a.m., Trezevant Hall

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Voluntary COVID testing, LL-8, 9-11 a.m., Trezevant Hall

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Clergy Visits SK Classrooms, 8:45 a.m.

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All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.  
Chapel Talks by Harper Behnke, Sam Mascolino, and Tom Crosby

Clergy Visits Preschool Classrooms, 8:45 a.m.

P.A.-Sponsored Faculty-Staff Appreciation Lunch

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Celebration, 8:05 a.m., hosted by Harmony Swenson

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Red/White/Pink Dress Down for Valentine's Day

Voluntary COVID testing, LL-8, 9-11 a.m., Trezevant Hall

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Clergy Visits SK Classrooms, 8:45 a.m.

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All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.  
Chapel Talks by Marin Thompson, Frank Plumley, and Tate Robertson

Clergy Visits Preschool Classrooms, 8:45 a.m.

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Celebration, 8:05 a.m., hosted by Jane Williams

7th Grade Exams

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Presidents' Day Holiday, No School

22-26

7th-8th Second Trimester Art Show

7th Grade Exams

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Middle School Chapel: 7th-8th at 8 a.m.; 5th-6th at 8:15 a.m.

## 4th-8th Grade Mother-Son Event

**Grizzlies vs. San Antonio Spurs**

**Monday, February 28 at 7 p.m.**

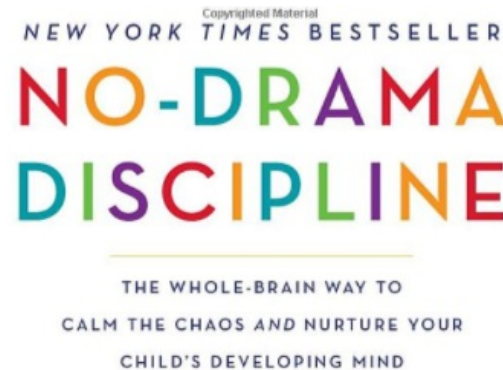
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Come join us for a fun night cheering on the Grizzlies with fellow GSL friends and classmates!

Cost is \$55 per mother/son couple and includes two tickets to the game and a special GSL/Grizzlies Beanie. Sibling tickets are \$30 each and include an extra ticket and Beanie.

Please note that due to supply chain issues, **to be guaranteed a beanie you must register no later than TOMORROW, February 1. [Click here to register.](#)** Deadline to register for game tickets only for this event is Friday, February 11.

Email [Margaret McLean](#) or [Eleanor Jacobs](#) for more information. Hope you will join us!



## Preschool Parents: No-Drama Discipline Book Talk

**Wednesday, February 2 from 5:30-7 p.m.**

**Anchor Center After School Care Room**

If you struggle with how to respond when your child misbehaves and or looking for ways to prevent those meltdowns, please join us for this book talk led by Head of Preschool Cynthia Hill, which will focus on the *New York Times* bestselling book, *No-Drama Discipline*, by Daniel J. Siegel, M.D. and Tina Payne Bryson, Ph.D. Preschool parents, see email sent January 12 for RSVP link.



**23-25**  
8th Grade Internships

**23**  
Lower School Chapel: 3th-4th at 8:05 a.m.; 1st-2nd at 8:25 a.m.

Clergy Visits SK Classrooms, 8:45 a.m.

**24**  
All-School Chapel, 8:05 a.m.

Clergy Visits Preschool Classrooms, 8:45 a.m.

**25**  
Celebration, 8:05 a.m., hosted by Sara Ralston

## ***Italian Dinner Hosted by 8th Grade***

**Thursday, March 24**  
**5:30-7 p.m., Lower School Circle Drive**

The 8th grade is carrying on the tradition of the Italian Dinner by offering a "meal kit" to go for all GSL families. All GSL families can join us in celebrating the Class of 2022 by purchasing commemorative t-shirts and meal kits. All meal kits and t-shirts are PRE-ORDER ONLY.

**MEAL KITS & T-SHIRTS: [Click here to order](#) by February 14 at 5 p.m.!**

Meal kits are \$25 each and will contain 1qt of meat sauce, 1lb dried spaghetti, bread and an 8 x 8 pan of brownies. We are also offering the option of adding a bottle of wine to the meal for parents to enjoy for \$15 more.

T-shirts are \$15 each. Youth and adult sizes available. **Students may wear their shirts for a dress down day on Friday, March 25.**

**PICKUP LOGISTICS:** If you only purchase a T-shirt, your child's shirt will be delivered to his or her classroom the week of March 21. If you purchase T-shirts and a meal kit, you will pick up your shirts at the drive-thru event. On the night of the event, please remember to tip your drive-thru servers. All tips support the 8th grade class trip.

Questions? Email [Kathleen Behnke](#), [Natalie Davis](#), or [Amanda Wilson](#). Thank you in advance for honoring this 48-year tradition and supporting the GSL Class of 2022. GO, SAINTS!

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### **QUICK LINKS**

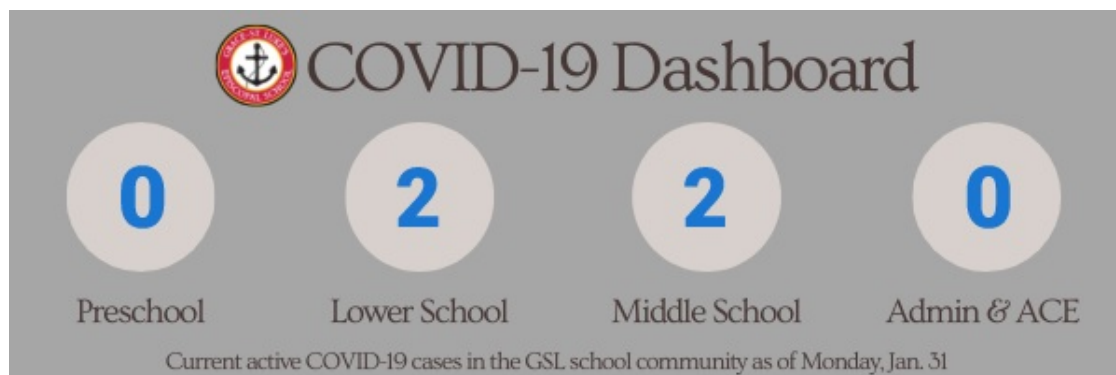
- [Report Student Vaccination Status](#)
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- [ACE: After School & Enrichment](#)
- [Lunch Service](#)
- [2021-22 Important Dates Calendar](#)
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- [Preschool Handbook](#)
- [Lower & Middle School Handbook](#)
- [COVID-19 Parent-Student Handbook](#)

### ***Weekly eNews Distribution***

To add an email address to the eNews distribution list, please email [Associate Director of Communications Marci Woodmansee](#).

### ***Contacting ACE After School Hours***

To connect with ACE after school hours, **call the Auxiliary Programs line at 901.278.2685.**



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### ***Upcoming COVID Testing***

[Click here to register](#) if this is your child's first time to receive

the antigen test.

**Monday, Jan. 31:** Free voluntary testing Grades LL-8  
**Wednesday, Feb. 2:** Free mandatory testing for unvaccinated 5-6 athletes and 4-6 play participants  
**Friday, Feb. 4:** Free mandatory testing for unvaccinated 7-8 athletes and play participants



### ***REMINDER: Vaccination Status***

Please [click here](#) to update your child's vaccination status! This helps us set the correct quarantine requirements in the event your child is identified as a close contact of a case at school.



### ***Faculty & Staff Demonstrate Better Together Giving***

So far this year, GSL faculty and staff have donated more than \$27,000 to the Better Together Annual Fund. Their average gift is \$450.72, which represents a 16% average gift increase compared to last school year. In addition, there are 23 faculty and staff Lead Donors (a gift of \$500 or more each school year).

[Give today](#) to join our incredibly dedicated faculty and staff who work hard to demonstrate that everything at GSL is Better when working Together.

If you are interested in learning more, email Director of Advancement [Brenda Berry](#) today or call 901-278-0200. You may also email one of this year's annual fund co-chairs: [Kathleen](#) & [Schorr](#) Behnke or [Jenn](#) & [Ryan](#) Gibbs.

Thank you for supporting your Saints!

### ***GSL Annual Anchor Auction***

**Friday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Children's Museum of Memphis**

We are so excited to announce that we will be hosting a hybrid event this year where you can bid virtually on silent auction items prior to the event and during the event until the Silent Auction closes! You will only be able to bid on the Live Auction items and other special items if you are present at CMOM – you will not want to miss these awesome items and music by Walrus! Here are some ways you can help:

- Ask your Room/Grade Parent how you can help with your grade's class auction basket!
- Contact [Gina Brewer](#) about becoming a Sponsor!
- Contact [Ashley Adams](#) or [Amy Golden](#) to donate an auction item or help us solicit for donations!
- Other questions? Contact [Sherry Emerson](#) or [Emily Merrell](#).

Mark your calendars and watch for more details!



### ***2022 GSL Church Spring Soccer***

**For JK-4th Grade Boys and Girls**

**Online Registration: LAST DAY: January 31!**

Church-sponsored Spring Soccer runs from March 26 - May 7. This season is shorter than the fall season and designed for continued soccer skill development during the spring. [Click here to register now](#) through the GSL Church website.



## For Boys and Girls Third Grade and Above

GSL Church became home of the Memphis Boy Choir and Girl Choir ensembles in August. We are still looking for new members to join us this winter and spring! Please [email Artistic Director Dr. Patrick Scott](#) to schedule a quick and easy audition. Rehearsals are Monday & Wednesday 4:30-5:30 p.m. at the church.



### *Featured ACE Enrichment Classes*

#### **New Ballet Ensemble Presents: Dance Styles**

Dance Styles is based on the concept of cultivating a love of dance through exploration and fun! Students will learn basic dance concepts which include: space, speed, shape, and texture within the context of different dance styles such as Ballet, Jazz, Modern, Hip Hop, and West African.

The class will study these elements and styles through dance instruction, movement games, lead improvisation, and choreography. This is a high-energy and exciting class that students will enjoy! No special attire is required besides sneakers and comfortable clothing.

Grades: SK - 2nd  
Day of the Week: Thursdays  
Dates: February 3 - May 12 (no class April 7)  
Number of Classes: 13  
Time: 4:30 - 5:15 p.m.

Instructor: New Ballet Ensemble  
Cost: \$280  
[Click here to register!](#)

#### **Tinker Lab: Session 1**

Experiments, recyclables, creativity and more...  
in Tinker Lab there's so much to explore. Science, math, engineering and art... combine all together, so come be a part!

Each class, Lukers will stretch their brains to think outside the box and tinker using a wide variety of materials. We will be creating with recyclables, performing science experiments, exploring non-traditional art materials, and solving special challenges.

Grades: SK - 1st  
Day of the Week: Thursdays  
Dates: February 3 - 24  
Number of classes: 4  
Time: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Instructor: Kelsey Beagle  
Cost: \$100  
[Click here to register!](#)

**CLICK HERE TO GIVE TO GSL TODAY!**

