



# GSL eNews

Sunday, August 18, 2024

Want to stay up to date on all that is happening at GSL? Click on the button below to view the All-School, Athletics, & Important Dates Calendar!

[GSL School Calendar](#)



## ***Fall Musical Auditions This Week***

**August 19 & 20 from 3-4:30 p.m., Performing Arts Room**

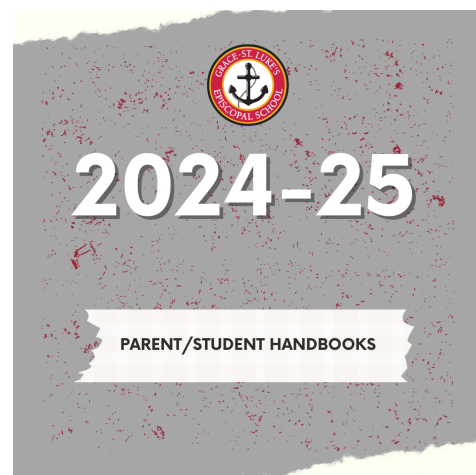
This fall we will be staging Music Theater International's *Something Rotten Jr.*, a hysterical musical adapted from the Broadway hit! Auditions are this week, and interested students only need to attend one of the dates. Also note:

- First rehearsal: Friday, August 23 | 3-5 p.m. | Performing Arts room
- Production dates: October 24-26

The rehearsal schedule requires commitment! Please [preview the rehearsal schedule](#) to make certain that your family can accommodate your child's participation in this production.



***Arrival/Dismissal & Carpool***



***Visit MyGSL Parent Portal for***

## Procedures

In case you missed this information in our summer emails, please familiarize yourself with the procedures for the carpools you will use this year at GSL.

- [Click here](#) for Preschool (Little Saints-Pre-Kindergarten) Arrival & Dismissal Procedures
- [Click here](#) for JK Arrival & Dismissal at Lower School
- [Click here](#) for Lower School Carpool Procedures
- [Click here](#) for Middle School Carpool Procedures

## Handbooks & More

The MyGSL parent portal offers a number of helpful resources to families, including the 2024-25 Parent/Student Handbooks. Login to [MyGSL](#), then go to [Resources](#) to access this year's handbooks, lunch service info, uniform guidelines, and more!

### And as a reminder, GSL School Hours are:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

8 a.m.-3 p.m. for JK-8th Grade

8 a.m.-2:50 p.m. for LS - PK

Wednesday

8 a.m.-2:15 p.m. for JK-8th Grade

8 a.m.-1:45 p.m. for LS - PK



## Back-to-School Night

Thursday, August 22

Kick off the new school year THIS THURSDAY with this adults-only event!

- Spirit Wear Sale | McClure Hall | 3-6 p.m. (*Spirit Wear sale is kid friendly!*)
- GSL Community Life Fair | McClure Hall | 5:30-6:15 p.m.
- Welcome from Dr. Surber, Head of School | Church | 6:30 p.m.
- Classroom Visits | 7-8 p.m.

**PLUS! Additional Spirit Wear shopping hours the following morning – this Friday, August 23, from 7-9 a.m., McClure Hall!**

What you need to know about this year's Spirit Wear Sales!

1. Shoppers will check out with their items using the online store's purchase platform during the sales. To keep up with the inventory, the online store link will be deactivated from approximately 12 p.m. this Thursday, August 22 until 12 p.m., Friday, August 23. After the in-person sales close, the online store links on our website, Instagram, and eNews will be reactivated.
2. Uniform sweatshirt and fleece samples will be available at Back-to-School Night and the Friday morning sale. There will be a designated area where you can place sweatshirt and fleece orders that can either be picked up at Bluff City Sports or delivered to your home.
3. Credit cards only, please! We cannot take checks or cash.

Not able to make it to your child's classroom? No problem! All teachers will share a summary of their presentations with families after Back-to-School Night!

To learn more about Back-to-School Night & all Parents' Association Events, [clickHERE!](#)

## Sign Up Now for ACE: After School Care & Fall Enrichment Classes

### After School Care

We are ready for another super school year! Fees for After School Care are \$975/semester for full-time care (available in five monthly installments of \$195) or \$20/day for drop-in care. [Click here to register today.](#)

### Enrichment



Fall 2024



AFTER SCHOOL CARE & ENRICHMENT @ GSL

We have an incredible lineup of enrichment offerings for students this fall, and our first classes begin this week. [Click here to view the new Fall 2024 brochure and access the registration link!](#)

**GO SAINTS!**

*Two easy ways to support GSL Athletics:*

**JOIN THE 2024-25 ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB**

**SPONSOR A BANNER AT SNOWDEN FIELD!**




### ***Athletic Booster Club Membership & Banner Sponsorships***

Open to all families and friends of GSL, the Athletic Booster Club supports and enhances our Middle School Athletics program. By purchasing an annual Booster Club membership, you can help provide quality enhancements and benefits to the GSL Middle School Athletic program, such as new uniforms, concession stand and locker room renovations, and other improvements. Membership also means your immediate family gets **FREE ADMISSION** to all the regular season 5th-8th grade home games at GSL. Discounted grandparent memberships are also available. [Click here to join today.](#)

But wait, there's more! We are also selling booster sponsorship banners at GSL's Snowden Field (where the Saints play football, soccer, softball, and baseball, 2233 Harbert Ave.). A new banner is \$250 and renewing a banner is \$150. This is a great way to advertise your business to fans for all our home games! [Click here for the form](#) or [see our page](#) for more info.

*Support*

**GSL FAMILY-OWNED BUSINESSES**

**COLLECTION REQUEST!**

**TARGET BAGS**

**FOR LOWER SCHOOL BOOK CHECKOUT**



## **Support GSL Family-Owned Businesses**

At Grace-St. Luke's, we want to help our community by supporting local businesses, especially those owned by GSL families! A list of GSL family-owned businesses can be viewed [here](#) on our website.

If you would like to add your business to the list, **email Brenda Berry** with your business name, website, physical address, phone number, and email address.

Thank you for supporting our community!



## **Celebration Chapel Fridays**

On Friday we opened the school year with Opening Convocation, and going forward, we will return to our regular Celebration Chapel schedule for SK-8th graders every Friday at 8:05 a.m. These are hosted each week by an assigned faculty member who presents a program of their choosing.

Celebration Chapel is usually held in Grace-St. Luke's Church, although, depending on the presentation, we will sometimes gather in the Anchor Gym instead.

**Parents/Guardians are always welcome to join us for Celebration!**

**Click here** for the All-School Calendar to see who is hosting each week and to confirm the location. Go, Saints!

## **Lower School Library Request**

Note to Lower School Families: Our Anchor Library team is collecting plastic Target bags (**only Target, please**) for Lower School students to use when leaving the library with books on rainy days. (Target bags are the right size and sturdy.)

They are collecting during the months of August and September. Please give any Target bags you'd like to donate to your child's Lower School homeroom teacher.



## **Miss Lee's 100-Minute Birthday Bash!**

**Sunday, September 8, 5-6:40 p.m.  
Anchor Hill**

Please join us for a 100-Minute Birthday Bash as GSL's Preschool at Miss Lee's celebrates 100 years!

Bring your own picnic and blanket or chairs. Mempoys will be provided by GSL. Entertainment provided by Mr. Robert Ward, GSL DJ Extraordinaire. While we know pets are family, please leave them at home for this celebration. **RSVP at this link** and join us!

Also on Sunday, from 1-5 p.m., the historic Miss Lee's will be one of the featured tour sites during the Central Gardens Home & Garden Tour! Learn more at [centralgardens.org/hometour](http://centralgardens.org/hometour).

## **News from the Church**

**Memphis Boy & Girl Choir  
Auditions**



**MEMPHIS BOY & GIRL CHOIR AUDITIONS**

memphisboyandgirlchoir.org

**SIGN UP TODAY!**

AUGUST | 12, 14, 19, 21 | REHEARSALS | Mon. or Wed. | 4:15-5:15pm

Email Dr. Patrick Scott to sign up  
psscott@gracestlukes.org

**August 19 & 21 from 4:15-5:15 p.m.  
Grace-St. Luke's Church**

Auditions are open to girls and boys from 3rd grade through 12th grade (for boys, up to the point of voice change). The Training Choir, which does not require an audition, is open to 1st and 2nd graders. Training Choir rehearsals are held on Mondays from 3:30 to 4:00 PM.

All rehearsals take place at Grace-St. Luke's Church and students may come over from ACE.

For more information, email **Dr. Patrick Scott**.

**QUICK LINKS**

- [Anchor Fund - DONATE NOW!](#)
- [My GSL Parent Portal](#) for Lunch, Uniform, and Preschool & Lower School/Middle School Handbooks
- [Online Spirit Wear Store](#)
- [ACE: After School & Enrichment](#)
- [2024-25 Important Dates Calendar](#)
- [Create a Family Library Account](#)
- [Refer a Friend to GSL](#)

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