



2024-2025 Calendar



*We should be as the compass
that goes round its circle
without stirring from its center –
our center is God, from whom
all our actions should spring as
from their source.*

Catherine McAuley

Gwynedd-Mercy Academy Elementary



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September 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>Labor Day</i>	3	4 Book Day 10 AM—12 PM Faculty In-Service	5 Orientation—No Letter Day First Day of School Prayer Service Orientation Days—No Letter	6 Orientation—No Letter Day	7
8	9—A Day	10	11	12 PreK—8 Back to School Night 5:30-8:30 PM	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Faculty/Staff Mercy Retreat Day No School for Students	24 Mercy Day Liturgy Student Council Induction	25 Ice Cream Social	26 Board of Trustees Meeting—6:00 PM	27—M Day NJHS Induction 8:30 AM Dollars for Peru Picnic and Pep Rally	28 Homecoming Family Liturgy
	Mercy Week					
29	30					

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October 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 2nd Grade Parents Meeting– 6:30 PM	2	3	4 Kindergarten Blessing of the Animals	5
6 Family Sunday Funday at Freddy Hill Farms	7 Living Rosary	8	9	10 PreK Pumpkin Activity 1:30 PM	11 School Holiday	12
				Mercy Education Conference		
13	14 PD /Faculty Staff In-Service No School for Students	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Sports Permitted and no Faculty/Staff Meetings	25 Trunk or Treat	26
27	28 In-Person Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 PM	29	30— <i>M Day</i> Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 PM 8th Grade NYC Field Trip	31 <i>Halloween</i> School Holiday		
Gently Used Uniform Sale Calendar events accurate as of 08.27.24 and are subject to change as the year progresses.						

A photograph of three young boys in school uniforms (white shirts, dark vests, and ties) looking at a calendar on a bulletin board. The boy in the center is smiling broadly. The bulletin board is green and has various papers, including a calendar, pinned to it. The background is slightly blurred, showing a hallway with other bulletin boards.

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November 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>All Saints Day</i> School Holiday	2
3	4 Winter Uniforms Begin	5	6 School Picture Day First Reconciliation at St. Anthony's	7 Parents' Org- Sponsored Author Visit Board of Trustees Meeting—6:00 PM	8 Practice for Veterans Day	9
10	11 <i>Veterans Day</i> Veterans Day Celebration	12	13	14 Fall Sports Recognition—6:00 PM	15 Out of This World GMA Auction	16
17	18	19	20	21 Parents' Classroom Open House— 8:30-9:45 AM Thanksgiving Liturgy	22	23
24	25	26	27 School Holiday	28 Thanksgiving School Holiday	29 School Holiday	30

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December 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Giving Tuesday	4	5 Last Day of Trimester 1	6 First Day of Trimester 2 St. Nicholas Day— modified schedule	7 Ambler Holiday Parade 1:00 PM
8 <i>Immaculate Conception Holy Day</i>	9	10	11 Grades due for Report Cards	12 St. Vincent's Project— Grades 7 & 8	13 Kindergarten Gingerbread Houses 1:30 PM	14
15	16 Dress Rehearsal Prayer Service	17 Christmas Family Prayer Service	18 Report Cards Released	19	20— <i>M Day</i> Last Day of School before Christmas Holidays	21
22	23	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	25 <i>Christmas</i>	26	27	28
29	30	31 <i>New Years Eve</i>				

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January 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 <i>New Years Day</i>	2	3	4
5	6 Classes Resume	7	8	9	10	11
12 First Sunday Musical Practice	13	14	15	16 Board of Trustees Meeting—6:00 PM	17	18
			Grades 7 and 8 Midterm Exams and Noon Dismissal			
19	20 <i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</i> School Holiday	21	22	23	24	25
MLK Basketball Tournament						
26	27 CSW Liturgy K-5 World Language Switch	28 Gwynedd Bowl and Family Feud	29 Faculty and Staff Luncheon	30 STEM Night	31— <i>M Day</i> Parents' Org Author Visit Faculty vs. 8th Grade Volleyball Game	
	Catholic Schools Week					

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February 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 Red Cross Blood Drive 8:00 AM-12:30 PM	5	6 Winter Band and Choir Concert	7	8 Daughters' Dance
9	10	11 In-Person Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 PM	12	13 Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 PM	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i> School Holiday	15
			Mercy Education Leadership Forum			
16	17 <i>Presidents Day</i> School Holiday	18	19	20	21 Parents Org Trivia Night	22
23	24 Harlem Wizards @ GMA!	25	26	27 PreK and Dragons Love Tacos	28— <i>M Day</i> Parents' Org- Sponsored Brain Show	

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March 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> School Liturgy	6 Winter Sports Recognition—6:00 PM	7 Last Day of Trimester 2 3 vs. 3 Basketball Tournament	8
9	10 First Day of Trimester 3	11	12	13 1st Grade Secret Pizza Party Board of Trustees Meeting—6:00 PM	14	15
16	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i> School Holiday	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Dress Rehearsal School Musical	27 Dress Rehearsal School Musical	28 School Musical 7:00 PM	29 School Musical 2:00 PM
	TerraNova Standardized Testing					
30 School Musical Stage Breakdown	31					

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April 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 Kindergarten's Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs	4 8th Grade Retreat Day 4th Grade Living History Museum—Gym 11:00 AM	5
6	7	8	9	10	11 3rd Grade Culture Festival After-School Dance Recital	12
13	14 PreK Celebrates the Earth	15	16 School Retreat Passion Play Noon Dismissal	17 <i>Holy Thursday</i> School Holiday	18 <i>Good Friday</i> School Holiday	19
20 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Spring Break					
27	28 Classes Resume Summer Uniforms Begin	29	30			

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May 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 First Communion Rehearsal @ St. Anthony's—4:30 PM	2— <i>M Day</i> 2nd Grade Retreat and Noon Dismissal	3 First Communion Liturgy
4	5	6 Parents' Org Spring Fling	7	8 Board of Trustees Meeting—6:00 PM	9 May Procession Noon Dismissal	10
11 <i>Mothers Day</i>	12	13 Voice Recital 6:30 PM	14	15 Arts Festival—Band, Choir, Grades 4 and 5 9:00 AM	16	17
18	19	20 GMA Golf Outing Piano Recital 6:30 PM	21 Spring Sports Recognition—6:00 PM	22	23 School Holiday	24
25	26 <i>Memorial Day</i> School Holiday	27	28	29 <i>Ascension Thursday</i> School Liturgy 8th Grade Awards Meeting	30	31  Last A Day Gathering—Year-End Sports Awards

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June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 End of Trimester 3	5 Kindergarten Celebration Practice 8:30 AM Red and Gold Day	6 Kindergarten Celebration –9-10 AM PreK Picnic— 10:30 AM Grades Due	7
	7th and 8th Grade Finals and Noon Dismissal					
8	9 Noon Dismissal for 8th Grade	10 Class Parties 8th Grade Graduation	11 Closing Prayer Service Noon Dismissal	12	13	14
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July 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4 <i>Independence Day</i>	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Mission Statement

Built on Mercy, rooted in Gospel values, and committed to excellence, Gwynedd-Mercy Academy, sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, is a private, Catholic, co-educational school, for students in PreK through grade eight.

Empowered by an enriched educational experience and inspired by the vision of Catherine McAuley, students are called to service and leadership in the global community.

Belief Statements

- ◆ We believe that:
- ◆ God is at the heart of who we are and all that we do.
- ◆ As a Mercy community, all are called to reverence the dignity of each person.
- ◆ Creating a spirit of hospitality is the hallmark of the legacy of Catherine McAuley, foundress of the Sisters of Mercy.
- ◆ Service is the fruit of hearts rooted in the mission of Jesus.
- ◆ Spiritual development is fostered within a faith community rich in prayer and liturgical experiences.
- ◆ A comprehensive and challenging curriculum nurtures the whole child – spiritually, intellectually, emotionally, physically, and socially.
- ◆ A learning environment abounding in a variety of experiences is responsive to the needs of all learners.
- ◆ Students reflect self-actualization and demonstrate learning in many ways.
- ◆ A safe and caring learning environment promotes self-esteem and facilitates success.
- ◆ A student-centered culture encourages self-motivation and inspires lifelong learning.
- ◆ Immersed in the Spirit of Mercy, students are empowered to assume leadership roles.
- ◆ An effective partnership with parents supports the education of their children and furthers the mission of the school.

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