



Good Shepherd Catholic School

835 North Hills Avenue · Ardsley, PA 19038

Advancement Office · advancement@gscregional.org · 215-886-0126

I Love
School
Choice!

Monday, February 14, 2022

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Happy Valentine's Day! Thank you for choosing GSC for your child(ren)'s early and/or grade school education! Your support of our school also makes it possible for other parents to have the option of sending their children to GSC. As a tuition-based school, enrollment is critical to our success, and our families and "word of mouth" are – and will continue to be – our strongest marketing tool. So again, **thank you** (we can't say it enough) for your commitment and dedication to GSC's mission and for the financial and other sacrifices you make so that your child(ren) and, by extension, all GSC students can learn, play, pray, mature and thrive because Good Shepherd Catholic School is here for them.

Today marks the beginning of week number 23 of our 40-week school year, and planning and budgeting for the 2022-2023 school year already is underway. On page two of this letter is our recently-approved (by the school's finance committee and the Board of Limited Jurisdiction) tuition schedule. For a third consecutive year, we have tried to keep any increases minimal, while also budgeting for teacher and staff raises and the rising costs of many things, as you know from your own experience with everyday household expenses. On average, our tuition increases are about \$1 to \$3 per week per student for 40 weeks. The registration fee – per family – is staying the same, and it is worth noting and repeating that our registration and tuition fees are **all-inclusive**; we do not have any additional book, technology or fundraising fees.

We introduced automatic re-enrollment last Winter and we will continue with that process this year. Re-enrollment for current GSC families will occur automatically on **Monday, February 28, 2022**. Students currently in grades pre-K3 through grade 7 will be enrolled automatically in the next grade level for the 2022-2023 school year, unless you "**opt out**" by Friday, February 25. More details are posted online at www.gscregional.org/re-enrollment-2022-2023.html, including information about GSC adding the \$200 re-enrollment fee to your Smart Tuition account in two \$100 installments, payable in March and April. To opt out, you can call or send me an email, or use the online form at the aforementioned link.

It is one of our goals to help you afford the educational – as well as spiritual and social – excellence we offer. You may qualify for tuition assistance if your household income is below \$108,382 with one dependent (add \$16,222 for each additional dependent). All GSC financial aid consideration starts with your online application through FACTS, which does require a \$30 fee. Visit www.gscregional.org/tuition-assistance.html for more details and the necessary links to apply for assistance.

Lastly, please know that Sister Helen Thomas and I welcome hearing from you with any questions, concerns or comments you have about the re-enrollment process and anything else concerning the current and future success of Good Shepherd Catholic School.

Sincerely,

Jim Templeton
Advancement Director



We are preparing our students for a faith-filled life of learning, leadership, and love for others.



2022-2023 School Year Tuition Kindergarten through Grade 8

Number of Students in Family	Total Tuition	10 Monthly Remittances	11 Monthly Remittances*	12 Monthly Remittances
1	\$ 4,645.	\$ 464.50	\$ 422.27	\$ 387.08
2	\$ 7,755.	\$ 775.50	\$ 705.00	\$ 646.25
3	\$ 9,405.	\$ 940.50	\$ 855.00	\$ 783.75
4	\$ 11,150.	\$ 1,115.00	\$ 1,013.64	\$ 929.17
Additional Child(ren), 5+	\$ 900. Each		* The default option; July to May payments.	

Early Education (3- and 4-Year-Old Students)

Program Schedule	Total Tuition Pre-K3	Total Tuition Pre-K4	10 Monthly Remittances*	11 Monthly Remittances
5 Full Days (Monday through Friday)	\$ 6,195.	\$ 5,900.	\$ 619.50 or \$ 590.00	\$ 563.18 or \$ 536.36
5 Half Days (Mon. through Fri., 7:50 to 11:20 AM)	\$ 3,715.	\$ 3,550.	\$ 371.50 or \$ 355.50	\$ 337.73 or \$ 322.73
3 Full Days (Monday, Wednesday and Friday)	\$ 4,735.	\$ 4,600.	\$ 473.50 or \$ 460.00	\$ 430.45 or \$ 418.18
3 Half Days (M-W-F, 7:50 AM to 11:20 AM)	\$ 2,800.	<i>Please inquire if interested.</i>	\$ 280.00 (for Pre-K3)	\$ 254.55 (for Pre-K3)
<i>Please note: We do offer multi-child discounts.</i>			* The default option; August to May payments.	

Good Shepherd Catholic School has a nonrefundable **\$200 registration fee per family**. Our registration and tuition fees are all-inclusive; we do not have any additional book, technology or fundraising fees. **The cost to educate a student at GSC** during the 2021-2022 school year is **\$6544**. This cost is offset by a subsidy from Queen of Peace Parish and is reduced further by the success of our fundraisers to calculate our tuition rates. We encourage all families to apply for financial aid through FACTS, sponsored by Business Leaders Organized for Catholic Schools (BLOCS) in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and The Foundation For Catholic Education, based in West Chester, PA. You can find the specific information about Tuition Assistance on the school's Website.

Tuition payments for the 2022-2023 school year will commence on July 1 or 15, 2022 for K-8 (on August 1 or 15 for preschool), and will continue through to April 1/15, May 1/15 or June 1/15, 2023, depending upon your monthly remittance term selection. Good Shepherd Catholic utilizes **Smart Tuition/Blackbaud Tuition Management** for online tuition billing and collection, and there is an annual administrative fee from Smart of **\$35.00 per family**, which they will add to your first monthly installment. Any monthly amount not paid by your due date will incur a **\$40.00** charge from Smart. We kindly request that all families sign up on Smart for **automatic debit payments** to help you stay current and to avoid any late fees. It is a safe and convenient method to handle your tuition obligation to GSC, and Smart will send a reminder prior to each monthly debit occurrence. Thank you for your financial commitment to GSC!