

## GREENWICH CATHOLIC SCHOOL



### **Our Mission Statement**

Greenwich Catholic School provides students with a life-long intellectual and spiritual foundation through a rigorous and innovative curriculum focused on faith, critical thinking, responsibility, and service.

COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE

ROOTED IN FAITH

SURROUNDED BY COMMUNITY



## **Head of School**

We love because He loved us. 1 John 4:19

Dear Future Greenwich Catholic School Parents,

I want to give you a warm welcome to Greenwich Catholic School. We are proud to celebrate over 53 years of Catholic Education. Over the years, our school has evolved to meet the needs of every student yet has held steadfast to our traditional values.

We guide our Future Saints and Scholars in pursuing spiritual, academic, personal, and extracurricular growth. Our students know they have caring adults and friends who will walk alongside them in their journey. Greenwich Catholic School is truly a second home for our kids.



After almost three years of service leading this outstanding community, I pridefully open my arms and heart to your family as we, as a school, continue to grow. My service to students and the surrounding communities started in a Catholic High School in Indiana, where I taught High School English. From there, I taught Junior High English in private and public schools in Ohio. My dedication and passion for Catholic Education ultimately directed my path to lead as Principal of a Catholic Elementary School in Westchester, NY. Ultimately, the timing was just right for me to dive in head first as the Head of School here at Greenwich Catholic. I cannot imagine serving a better group of students, families, faculty, and staff. I am blessed to lead such a wonderful school family.

Our dedicated team of expert educational leaders provides our students with enriched and engaging learning experiences. Your child will be walking into a building staffed with a team of people who exhibit God's love. The sense of belonging and community created by our team is what sets us apart.

We are wholeheartedly committed to our mission. After stepping foot on our 40-acre campus to experience all of the academic, spiritual, and extra-curricular opportunities for our kids, you will feel the difference.

Thank you for considering a Greenwich Catholic education for your child. Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions you have regarding our school family. After all, this is my home, and I look forward to it becoming your home, too.

May God bless you and your family, Ms. Steck Head of School



#### <u> Assistant Principal</u>

Welcome to Greenwich Catholic School!

My name is Patrick Ledley and I am the Assistant Principal for Curriculum and Instruction. Prior to coming to Greenwich Catholic, I was the Social Studies Chairperson at The Ursuline School in New Rochelle, NY. In my role, here at GCS, I support our talented teachers and students as they work their way through our rigorous and innovative curriculum.

I also work with our teachers to make sure our instructional methods are effective, inclusive, and in furtherance of our important school mission. At Greenwich Catholic, we believe in a curriculum focused on faith, critical thinking, responsibility, and service. My role as the Assistant Principal is to make sure that mission statement becomes a reality.

In the Upper School, we focus on a program designed to make sure our students not only get into the high school of their choice, but that they excel when they get there. We focus on foundational skills such as critical thinking, problem solving, collaboration, and leadership. We believe in a program that addresses the needs of the entire student—the whole person. We wholeheartedly believe in creating young men and women for others. That belief, coupled with our commitment to dynamic teaching, is what makes our GCS students standout when they go off to high school and beyond.

In the Lower School, we focus on the building blocks of academic success. We place a high value on reading and writing skills, as well as a strong foundation on math and science. We want our students to become lifelong learners and to build the skills they need to be successful as they grow as students. We love to expose our students to the fine arts, to music, and to appreciate the diverse cultures around them. Our Lower School program is designed to make sure our students are ready for the challenges ahead of them, while also taking the time to appreciate the world around us.

Thank you for your interest in Greenwich Catholic School. I believe it is truly a special place and it is a privilege to work with such a dedicated group of educators. If you have any questions about our academic program, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Best, Patrick Ledley



# The Dougherty Center for Early Learning PreK 3

The PreK 3 Program is a safe and loving introduction to school that blends small and large group activities— including both planned and self-directed and scheduled quiet time. We provide children with multiple learning environments in which to launch their GCS education. Attention is given to specific emergent language and motor skills, so children are always progressing and readying themselves for something new. In addition to the daily curriculum, preschool children also benefit from many of GCS's enrichment classes such as Art, Gym, Music, Religion, Spanish, and Technology.

Given that PreK 3 is a new adventure for parents as well as for students, teachers communicate regularly with families, so you always know how your child is doing. We welcome your partnership as we get to know your child not only as a student but as an individual person. By the end of PreK 3, GCS preschoolers are enthusiastic learners, ready for PreK 4 and the next building blocks of their educational foundation.

Hours: 8:10am - 12:00pm

Extended Day Option: 12:00pm - 2:35pm

(Full School Day)





#### PreK 4

Our PreK 4 program at GCS offers preschool children a comprehensive and enriching educational experience. In addition to the core curriculum, our students also benefit from a range of enrichment classes. These classes include Art, Gym, Music, Religion, Spanish, and Technology. By incorporating these subjects into our program, we provide our students with a well-rounded education that helps them develop various skills and interests.

The Pre K 4 program at Greenwich Catholic School is dedicated to nurturing children's spiritual, social, emotional, and physical growth. We believe that each child is unique and has their own set of strengths and abilities. With this understanding, we strive to provide a safe and loving environment where children can flourish in all aspects of their development.

What sets our Pre K 4 program apart is its infusion of Catholic values and faith in God. We firmly believe in instilling moral and ethical principles at an early age, and we integrate Catholic teachings into our daily activities and lessons. By incorporating spirituality into their learning experiences, we aim to help children develop a strong moral compass and a sense of purpose. Our dedicated teachers create a nurturing atmosphere where children feel empowered to explore their faith and discover their spiritual potential.



## Kindergarten

Kindergarten is a crucial stage in a child's learning journey, providing a supportive environment for their cognitive and emotional development. Through a combination of structured lessons and play-based activities, kindergarteners are introduced to fundamental concepts in Math, Social Studies, Science, and Religion.

This diverse curriculum is designed to foster a love for learning and lay the groundwork for future academic pursuits. In addition, teachers utilize phonics instruction to help students develop essential literacy skills, setting the stage for proficient reading and writing abilities as they progress through their education.

The Kindergarten experience is carefully crafted to facilitate holistic development, with a focus on nurturing not just academic abilities, but also social and emotional growth. Students are encouraged to explore, interact, and collaborate with their peers, building important social skills that will serve them well throughout their lives.

Teachers create a supportive and inclusive classroom environment, offering guidance and encouragement as children navigate their early educational experiences. This approach helps kindergarteners develop a strong sense of identity, self-confidence, and empathy, laying the foundation for healthy emotional development and positive relationships with others.







## Become a Charger Today!

World-Class Faculty: Our team of experienced educators are passionate about their subjects and committed to helping all students excel. Students have access to mentors who guide them every step of the way, ensuring their success.

Cutting-Edge Facilities: Our state-of-the-art campus is designed with student success in mind. From modern classrooms equipped with advanced technology to a well-equipped science lab and technology center, we provide an environment that inspires learning and innovation.

Supportive Community: Joining Greenwich Catholic School means becoming part of a supportive network of students, faculty, and alumni who are passionate about fostering growth and success. Students have access to resources such as counseling, family events, and extracurricular activities that will enrich their educational journey.



### Lower School

At GCS, teachers embrace this formative time, in early education, to help students advance according to developmental readiness. A curriculum, standardized by the Diocese of Bridgeport Catholic Schools, gives teachers a baseline for achievement.

Then each teacher's creativity, understanding of the subject matter, and love for students brings the content alive. Traditional disciplines like cursive handwriting are still valued as foundational tools, while technology fosters student engagement, encourages active participation, and supports different learning styles. Teachers are instructors and also facilitators, as hands-on projects let students approach content from a new perspective.

At our Lower School, students engage in a progressively robust academic program that fosters comprehensive development in key subject areas. Our program is designed to provide a solid foundation in key subjects, ensuring that students have a strong grasp of essential concepts and skills as they progress through their educational journey. The emphasis on Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, and Religion Class, providing a holistic education that encourages curiosity, critical thinking, and a deep understanding of the world around them. As a result, students in our Lower School are well-prepared to tackle higher-level academic challenges and develop into well-rounded individuals.



### **Upper School**

Molding Future Saints and Scholars



Upper School at GCS is a time for students to find their voice, stretch their intellectual muscles, and learn what kind of student they want to be. It is also a time for them to learn what kind of person they want to be, as a more purposeful blending of faith, academics, and social dynamics guides these oftencomplicated years.

The program for 6th through 8th graders is the final phase of GCS's deliberate sequence of skill-building—a process that ushers children from

nascent learners into a world that revolves around them to accomplished students who understand their responsibility to serve a wider world. GCS upper schoolers embrace a myriad of opportunities that grow their mind, body, and spirit while preparing them for success at the most selective high schools.

Upper School students follow an increasingly demanding academic program that includes meaningful real-world applications and practice. The result is a sequential intellectual journey that lays solid academic foundations and prepares students for success in the most competitive high schools. Students are afforded numerous opportunities to engage in various leadership and mentorship roles within the school community. Through the Buddy Program, students have the chance to support and guide younger peers, fostering a sense of camaraderie and support throughout the school.

Additionally, the Student Council offers a platform for students to voice their opinions and enact positive change within the school environment. For those with a passion for leadership and community engagement, the Student Ambassador Program provides a unique opportunity to represent the school and serve as role models for their peers.

These programs not only empower students to take on leadership roles, but also cultivate strong mentorship relationships, ultimately contributing to a positive and inclusive school environment.



#### Nature's Classroom

#### 6th Grade

At Nature's Classroom, 6th grade students have the unique opportunity to immerse themselves in a natural environment while engaging in a variety of outdoor activities. As part of their curriculum, students participate in investigations of various ecosystems found within the expansive grounds, such as ponds and streams. Through these investigations, students are able to observe and learn about the delicate balance of nature firsthand, gaining a deeper understanding of the importance of conservation and environmental stewardship.

One of the remarkable outcomes of the Nature's Classroom experience is the development of strong interpersonal relationships among the 6th grade students. As they navigate through the challenges and adventures together, whether it be during group hikes, team-building activities, or evening campfires, students form bonds that foster teamwork, cooperation, and mutual respect. This sense of camaraderie extends beyond the classroom walls, creating a supportive and inclusive community that encourages growth, learning, and personal development.



## **Upper School Musical**



The Upper School Musical at our school is a highly anticipated event each year, showcasing the incredible talent and creativity of our students. From auditions to final performances, this production is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our talented students. With a team of passionate directors and choreographers guiding them, the students come together to create a fun and engaging musical experience for everyone to enjoy.

The Upper School Musical is not only a platform for our students to express their artistic abilities, but also an opportunity for them to collaborate and grow as individuals. Through rehearsals and performances, they develop a deep sense of teamwork and camaraderie. The creative process involved in bringing a musical to life allows these students to explore their own unique talents and shine on stage. It is truly a joy to witness the energy and enthusiasm that radiates from our students as they bring their characters to life and entertain audiences with their incredible performances.

#### Faith and Service

The Greenwich Catholic community prides itself on providing a supportive and nurturing environment that encourages students to embody the teachings of their faith. Students are not only taught to praise and worship God but are also given opportunities to actively live out their beliefs through service to others. Our school recognizes and praises the efforts of our students, understanding that their commitment to faith and service is instrumental in shaping them into responsible and empathetic individuals who will continue to make a difference in the world.

In Religion class, students have the opportunity to explore and deepen their understanding of their faith each day. They delve into the teachings and principles that guide their spiritual journey, fostering a sense of personal growth and connection to their beliefs. As an integral part of their religious education, they also have the privilege of attending mass every first Friday of the month, where they partake in communal worship and reflection.

Religion class at GCS encourages students to be kind and compassionate, emphasizing the importance of acts of service and helping others in need. This comprehensive approach to religious education fosters not only a strong foundation of knowledge but also cultivates empathy and a sense of responsibility towards others.

Greenwich Catholic students embody the values of faith in action and service. They are a compassionate and dedicated group of individuals who consistently demonstrate their commitment to helping others through various acts of kindness and generosity. Whether it is participating in community service projects, volunteering at local shelters, or organizing fundraisers for charitable causes, our students continuously strive to make a positive impact on those around them.





## Spanish, Music, Technology, Gym, and Art

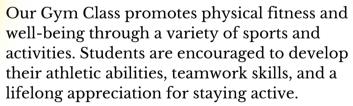
Discover your passion

The Special Programs at Greenwich Catholic School are designed to enrich the educational experience of our students by offering a diverse range of activities. Our Spanish class provides students with the opportunity to immerse themselves in the language and culture of the Spanish-speaking world. Through interactive and dynamic lessons, students develop their language skills and cultural understanding.

In Music class students have the chance to explore their creative talents and develop their musical abilities through individual and group instruction. Whether it's singing in our Christmas Pageant, or at Mass, our Music program allows students to express themselves and connect with others through the joy of music.



Technology equips students with essential digital literacy skills, preparing them for the demands of the modern world. From coding and programming to digital design students gain practical experience with the latest technologies.





Lastly, our Art program fosters creativity and self-expression by providing students with opportunities to experiment with different media and techniques. Students explore their artistic potential and develop their own unique style.







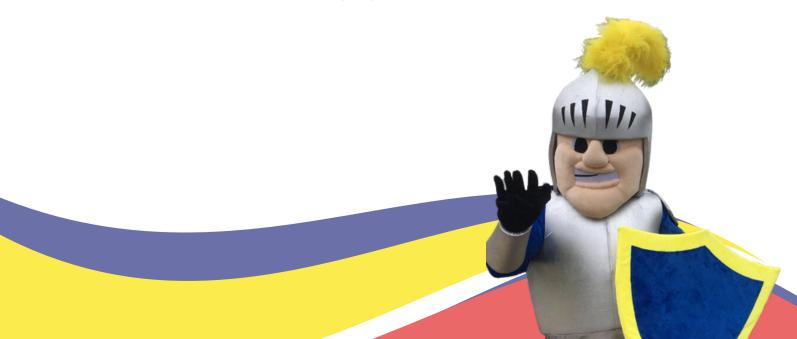
## **Special Services**

#### Guidance, Intervention, and Speech Therapy

Greenwich Catholic School is committed to providing a supportive and caring environment for all students, including those who require special services. The school's guidance and intervention programs are designed to help students improve their self-esteem and increase their independence. Through targeted interventions and personalized support, students are able to develop an increased ability to comprehend and express their ideas, thoughts, and feelings. This tailored approach helps students overcome challenges and equips them with the tools they need to thrive academically and personally.

In addition to guidance and intervention, Greenwich Catholic School offers speech therapy services to students in need. These services are aimed at helping students improve their communication skills, enabling them to express themselves more effectively. Skilled speech therapists, work with students to improve their ability to comprehend and express ideas, thoughts, and feelings. This leads to increased self-confidence in their academic abilities and more successful social interactions. The school's dedication to providing these special services underscores its commitment to supporting the diverse needs of all students and helping them reach their full potential.

For more information regarding Special Services at Greenwich Catholic School please contact the school administration at (203) 869-4000.





#### Dean of Students

Dear Prospective Parents and Families,

Welcome to the Greenwich Catholic School community! It is with great excitement that I write this letter of introduction to you as the Dean of Students at Greenwich Catholic School. It is an honor to collaborate with such a passionate student body, an experienced and dedicated staff, and an extremely supportive parent community.

We appreciate your interest in joining the GCS team and are eager to partner with you to ensure the success of your children as they transition to Greenwich Catholic School.

I have held the role of Dean of Students at Greenwich Catholic School for the past five years. maintain direct

oversight of our campus behavioral management program as well our athletics and after school programming. I also share responsibility with other members of our administrative team for managing instructional practices, staff evaluations, and day-to-day operations.

We are proud of the fact that we offer over 50 diverse after school programming options for students in Grades PK-8, including programs in STEM, Drama, Cooking, Art, Athletics, Music, Coding, Chess, and Homework Clubs. We also offer a variety of team sports options for students in Grades 5-8, including soccer, volleyball, cross country, basketball, swimming, baseball, softball, and tennis. Over 72% of our eligible student-athletes compete in at least one sport annually.

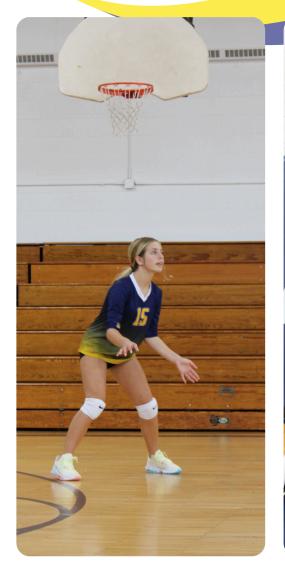
As the Dean, I take great pride in building positive relationships with all school stakeholders as that is the key to success in any organization. We are committed to setting high expectations for our students while providing a nurturing environment that encourages curiosity and promotes a lifelong love for learning. These standards help to instill confidence and a work ethic that will help guide our students throughout their lives.

In my spare time, I enjoy exercising, playing guitar in a rock band, dogs of all kinds, and reading.

I am looking forward to welcoming our new families and encourage you to reach out with any questions that you may have. I can be reached at 203.869.4000 x157 or via email at <a href="mailto:vmascola@gcsct.org">vmascola@gcsct.org</a>. Let's join together in making your years at Greenwich Catholic School truly transformative!

Regards,

Mr. Vincent Mascola Dean of Students







#### **Charger Athletics**

Athletics are a fundamental component of the GCS educational experience. Studentathletes develop critical life skills and elements of good character. Self-esteem, physical aptitudes, social-emotional health, ethical behavior, teamwork, and a sense of social responsibility are all by-products of being a student-athlete at Greenwich Catholic School. The value of participation in sports is broad and life-long, as individuals learn how to create a cohesive unit while practicing essential organizational, time management, and leadership skills.







4 Athletic Fields 4 Tennis Courts

Fall: Cross Country, Volleyball, Soccer

Winter: Basketball, Swimming,

Basketball Intramurals

Baseball, Softball, Tennis, Cross Country Spring:

Indoor Pool

## **After School Programs**

#### **Expand Your Horizons**

Abrakadoodle Art
Basketball Intramurals
Bloom Performing Arts
Bulls & Bears Investing
Charger Swim School
Cheerleading
Coding w Python

Coding w Python Debate Club

Digital Designers

Drama Club Flag Football Gadgets & Gizmos

Golf Club Guitar

Gym on Wheels: Gymnastics

Hip Hop Dance Homework Club iCamp's Code & Create an App iCamp's Electrifying Engineers iCamp's Gadgets & Gizmos iCamp's Junior Chemists & Creators

**Karate** 

Kids In Sports: Pickleball Kids In Sports: Multi-Sports

Kids in the Kitchen

**LEGO Engineering & Discovery** 

**LEGO Robotics** 

**LEGO Robotics and Engineering** 

Little Inventors Movable Machines My First Piggy Bank

**NECA Chess** 

**Sports Management** 

**Tabletop Roleplaying Club** 

Wilderness Skills Yearbook Club

**Young Philanthropists** 

and more!



## Greenwich Catholic Swim School

Where Chargers Dive and Thrive!



Located on the beautiful grounds of Greenwich Catholic School, the Greenwich Catholic Swim School offers an exclusive opportunity for GCS students to develop their swimming skills. With extended pool time and USA Swim certified coaches, students at all levels are welcomed to hone their aquatic abilities in a supportive and opulent environment. Whether just starting out or aiming for competitive swimming, the GCS Swim School provides the resources and expertise for students to reach their full potential.

Aquatics is offered during gym class in the spring semester. For grades third through eight, students have the chance to further develop their swimming proficiency within the school's first-class facilities. The emphasis on swim education and training is in line with the school's commitment to providing a luxury experience for its students, ensuring that they are equipped with the skills to thrive both in and out of the water.



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## Morning & After Care

The same care that goes into the regular academic day, goes into our morning and after-school programs. This gives parents flexibility and an important sense of security. Children can have a quiet space to do homework, indoor and outdoor space to run around, and meaningful time to socialize with friends.

Whether using morning and after school childcare for a convenient carpooling solution, a way to coordinate drop-off or pickup for children with different dismissal schedules, or expanded social opportunities for your child, our morning and afterschool childcare takes the stress out of the end of the day.

Morning Care Hours: 7:15 AM - Start of school

After Care Hours:
Regular school days: 2:45 6:00 PM
(PreK pick-up by 5:30 PM)
Early dismissal days: 11:45 3:00 PM



#### Portrait of a Graduate

A graduate of Greenwich Catholic School will be a faithful person, grounded in a strong sense of spirituality and an unwavering commitment to their beliefs. They will strive to live a life guided by their faith, bringing what they learned at Greenwich Catholic School into their everyday actions and interactions.

GCS Graduates will approach learning with curiosity and a willingness to ask difficult questions. They will seek to understand the complexities of the world and their place within it. This inquisitiveness will drive their intellectual growth, and empower them to become critical thinkers and lifelong learners who are not afraid to challenge the status quo and seek innovative solutions to the problems they encounter.

GCS Graduates' generous spirit will be reflected in their willingness to listen, support, and provide for others, fostering a sense of empathy and compassion within their communities. Additionally, a Greenwich Catholic school graduate will be determined, possessing the resilience and tenacity to overcome obstacles and achieve their goals. They will approach challenges with a strong work ethic and a refusal to give up, recognizing that perseverance is essential in the pursuit of success and personal growth.



## Start Here Go Anywhere!

At Greenwich Catholic School, we are dedicated to providing our students with an exceptional learning experience that goes beyond the classroom. Our goal is to help students grow academically, spiritually, and personally, equipping them with the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in today's competitive world.

#### High School's our graduates attend:

Academy of Information Technology and Engineering Academy of Our Lady of Mercy, Lauralton Hall Archbishop Stepinac High School **Brunswick School** Fairfield College Preparatory School Fordham Preparatory School **Greens Farm Academy Greenwich Academy Greenwich Country Day** Greenwich High School **Hopkins School** Immaculate High School Iona Preparatory Upper School Kennedy Catholic Preparatory School King School Maria Regina High School

Notre Dame High School Phillips Academy - Andover, MA Phillips Exeter Academy - Exeter, NH Regis Rye Country Day School Sacred Heart Greenwich School of the Holy Child St. Joseph High School St. Luke's School Stamford High School Staples High School Stepinac High School The Ursuline School Trumbull High School Westhill High School Westminster School



Isabelle Lesperance -Quinnipiac University **Kelly Duque** - University of Colorado -Boulder Maria Profili - American University

University - Bloomington

#### **Parent Association**





The Parent Association is a supportive group of individuals who share a common commitment and dedication to the well-being and success of their children in school. Composed of parent volunteers who actively participate in various activities and initiatives, the Parent Association plays a vital role in fostering a sense of fellowship among parents, as well as creating a strong partnership between parents and the school community. Their involvement not only enhances the overall educational experience of students but also enriches the school environment by providing additional resources and opportunities for students to thrive.

One of the primary goals of a Parent Association is to integrate the school's mission and values into various activities and programs. By working hand in hand with the administration and teachers, the Parent Association ensures that the educational mission of the school is reflected in every aspect of students' lives. They organize events that align with the school's values, such as fundraisers, community service projects, and workshops for parents. This collaboration between parents and the school helps create a positive and inclusive learning environment, where everyone feels empowered and connected to the shared goal of providing the best educational experience for the students.





"GCS has given my girls a home away from home. It provides a safe, loving, and warm environment that fosters their learning and a community they feel proud to be a part of."

> Laura Plastina (Current GCS Parent)



#### **Just Ask Our Parents!**

"We truly appreciate the warm welcome to GCS and have been praising from the rooftops about the school. Initially we chose the school because of the academics, but are learning that it is truly the values that set GCS apart. Really happy to be a part of the community and looking forward to what is to come."

Alexandra Hall (New Parent 2023-2024)



"At Greenwich Catholic School my children have been provided an experience that has not only helped strengthen them in their faith and values, it has also prepared them exceptionally well for their high school years both academically and with the essential skills that they need in order to excel as young adults.

There is a strong sense of support and

There is a strong sense of support and community at Greenwich Catholic which also adds to what makes the school so very special!"

Jackie Brew (Parent of a GCS Alumni)



The Annual Fund represents a critical element of GCS's budget each year and your contributions help keep our tuition accessible to more families. In addition to the core funding, this year we're offering you the opportunity to personally direct your generous donations toward areas that resonate with your heart. Every dollar contributed meaningfully invests in our school's growth and development.

#### Gift Designations

- 1.General Operations: Direct your gift to where it's needed most at GCS, supporting various essential needs across the school community with a designation to our general operating fund. Your donation serves as a versatile resource, providing crucial support to various aspects of growth within GCS.
- 2. Student Assistance: By focusing your gift toward students, you directly impact lives by contributing to tuition assistance programs. Your generosity fosters an inclusive community where every child can access a high-quality education, regardless of financial circumstances, empowering them to excel academically and personally.
- 3. Program and Faculty Development: Contributing to our faculty's growth nurtures their professional development. Support will also enrich a broader GCS experience through academic programs and extracurricular activities.
- 4. Facilities: By aiding our facilities, donations will support the overall care and enhancement of our extensive 40-acre campus, providing our students a wonderful environment to learn, play, and grow.

Your involvement in the Growing in Grace Annual Fund is an expression of faith and a powerful affirmation of the impact that collective giving can have. Together, we are shaping the future of Greenwich Catholic School and the lives of the students who walk through our doors. We thank you for your generosity and look forward to the positive transformations that await us on this journey of growth and grace.

Attention Alumni Scan the QR Code to update your information and stay in touch with GCS!





#### **Admissions Office**

Dear Prospective Families,

I extend a warm invitation to you to learn more about Greenwich Catholic School and to consider applying for admission for your child. Our school has a longstanding tradition of providing an outstanding education in a nurturing, supportive, and inclusive environment.

At Greenwich Catholic School, we are committed to fostering academic excellence, character formation, and spiritual development. Our dedicated and experienced faculty, along with our comprehensive curriculum, ensure that each student receives the personalized attention and support necessary to reach their full potential. We also provide a vibrant and

diverse community where students can grow and thrive in a faith-based environment.

Furthermore, I want to assure you that I am here to assist you throughout the entire application process. From answering any questions you may have to providing guidance on the necessary steps, I am committed to making this transition as smooth as possible for you and your family. I understand the significance of choosing the right school for your child, and I am here to support you every step of the way.

I encourage you to explore our website to learn more about the various programs, extracurricular activities, and our vibrant community. Additionally, I am more than happy to schedule a tour of our campus and a meeting to further discuss how Greenwich Catholic School can meet the needs of your child.

We believe that you will sense the warm and welcoming environment at Greenwich Catholic School and that your family will find a new home here. We are excited at the possibility of welcoming your child into our community and working together to ensure their success and happiness.

Thank you for considering Greenwich Catholic School for your child's education. I can't wait for you to embark on this transformative journey with us at Greenwich Catholic School.

Your future starts here!

See you soon, Karla Bohnenkamp Director of Enrollment and High School Admissions admissons@gcsct.org

#### **Business Office**

Dear Families,

Thank you for your interest and consideration in Greenwich Catholic School. As the Greenwich Catholic School's Business Manager, I am responsible for ensuring the smooth operation of essential school business functions that support the Administrators and Faculty mission of providing an excellent education for the children you entrust to us.

In general, my areas of responsibility include budgeting, accounting, payroll, purchasing and accounts payable, billing and accounts receivable, tuition management, and financial reporting. I work closely with the Board, Head of School, and



the Greenwich Catholic School Leadership Team to provide comprehensive service and guidance on school financial matters. I aim towards establishing best practices and efficient school business operations that effectively support the mission with an eye towards continuous improvement.

Behind the scenes, the Business Office strives to provide accountability and ensure trust in our financial operations. Meanwhile, the front and center focus remains on our mission of providing an excellent education, steeped in Catholic faith and academic rigor. If there is anything I can do to support the school and its community, it is a welcome challenge.

If you have any questions please contact me at ccabelloglass@gcsct.org

Sincerely,

Claudia Cabello Glass

For assistance with your FACTS account please contact the customer service number listed below.

Tuition payment plan: 866.441.4637 Financial aid application: 866.315.9262

#### Tuition Rates & Financial Aid

#### 2023-2024 Tuition

K - 8th Grade: 15,435

PreK4, Full Day: 16,065

Prek3, Half Day: 10,710

\*PreK3 Optional Extended Day until 2:35pm: 5,355

Once enrolled, you can choose from a variety of payment schedules with our online billing system.

Additional Fees

Student Activity Fee - 500, Kindergarten - 8th Grade

Nature's Classroom Fee - 500, 6th Grade

Graduation Fee - 500, 8th Grade

Parent Association Fee - 100, Per Family

After School Programs, Athletics fees (Grades 5-8)Child Care (Morning and Afternoon), Field Trips, Music (Band & Strings), Lunch, Spring Musical (Grades 6-8), Uniforms (PreK-8)

#### **Grants- Tuition Reductions**

Parish Affiliation Grant 1,000, per family (K-8)

Sibling Grant 1,000, per sibling in qualifying grade (K-8) with Parish Affiliation Sibling Grant 500, per sibling in qualifying grade (K-8) without Parish Affiliation

#### Scholarships and Financial Aid

The Bishop's Scholarship Fund is open to all families who have a child or children registered, or are new applicants, in a Diocesan-sponsored Catholic elementary school in Fairfield County. Families in financial need of tuition assistance are encouraged to apply through FACTS online. Applications are evaluated and determinations are made by the Bishop's Scholarship Fund Committee. Awardees' families are notified through FACTS and scholarship distributions are made directly to the school on behalf of the successful scholarship applicant.

Greenwich Catholic School also offers tuition assistance to eligible families. Families who wish to apply for financial aid must first apply to the Bishop's Scholarship Fund through FACTS online. The financial aid applications in FACTS are evaluated and awards are determined by the GCS Tuition Assistance Committee. Families are directly notified by the Committee.

#### **Important Dates**

Financial Aid Applications open February 1.

The deadline for Returning Families to apply for Financial Aid is March 15.

The deadline for New Families to apply for Financial is April 15.

Application fees and registration deposits are nonrefundable.

