



# "The higher we go, the better we shall hear the voice of Christ."

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

Geibel Gator Newsletter



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This school year we introduce a new bell schedule! Gone are the days of wondering if it is a Green, White or Gator Day. With the new schedule, students will attend each class, every day. Below you can find the four different schedules that will be used throughout the entire school year. Please know, that there may be changes on testing days. We will be sure to communicate those to you, prior to those dates.

## Geibel Catholic Junior- Senior High School 2022-2023 Bell Schedule

| Regular School Day |                     |  |  |
|--------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| Period Times       |                     |  |  |
| HR/Prayers         | 7:30 AM - 7:40 AM   |  |  |
| 1                  | 7:43 AM - 8:25 AM   |  |  |
| 2                  | 8:28 AM - 9:10 AM   |  |  |
| 3                  | 9:13 AM - 9:55 AM   |  |  |
| 4                  | 9:58 AM - 10:40 AM  |  |  |
| 5                  | 10:43 AM - 11:25 AM |  |  |
| 6                  | 11:28 AM - 12:10 PM |  |  |
| 7                  | 12:13 PM - 12:55 PM |  |  |
| 8                  | 12:58 PM - 1:40 PM  |  |  |
| 9                  | 1:43 PM - 2:25 PM   |  |  |
| Prayers            | 2:25 PM - 2:27 PM   |  |  |

| Mass/Activity Period Day |                     |  |  |
|--------------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| Period                   | Times               |  |  |
| HR/Prayers               | 7:30 AM - 7:40 AM   |  |  |
| 1                        | 7:43 AM - 8:20 AM   |  |  |
| 2                        | 8:23 AM - 9:00 AM   |  |  |
| 3                        | 9:03 AM - 9:40 AM   |  |  |
| 4                        | 9:43 AM - 10:20 AM  |  |  |
| 5                        | 10:23 AM - 11:00 AM |  |  |
| 6                        | 11:03 AM - 11:40 PM |  |  |
| 7                        | 11:43 PM - 12:20 PM |  |  |
| 8                        | 12:23 PM - 1:00 PM  |  |  |
| 9                        | 1:03 PM - 1:40 PM   |  |  |
| Mass/Act.                | 1:43 PM - 2:27 PM   |  |  |

| 2 Hour Delay Day |                     |  |  |  |
|------------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Period Times     |                     |  |  |  |
| HR/Prayers       | 9:30 AM - 9:42 AM   |  |  |  |
| 1                | 9:45 AM - 10:13 AM  |  |  |  |
| 2                | 10:16 AM - 10:44 AM |  |  |  |
| 3                | 10:47 AM - 11:15 AM |  |  |  |
| 4                | 11:18 AM - 11:46 AM |  |  |  |
| 5                | 11:49 AM - 12:19 PM |  |  |  |
| 6                | 12:22 PM - 12:52 PM |  |  |  |
| 7                | 12:55 PM - 1:23 PM  |  |  |  |
| 8                | 1:26 PM - 1:54 PM   |  |  |  |
| 9                | 1:57 PM - 2:25 PM   |  |  |  |
| Prayers          | 2:25 PM - 2:27 PM   |  |  |  |

| Early Dismissal Day |                     |  |  |
|---------------------|---------------------|--|--|
| Period              | Times               |  |  |
| HR/Prayers          | 7:30 AM - 7:40 AM   |  |  |
| 1                   | 7:43 AM - 8:00 AM   |  |  |
| 2                   | 8:03 AM - 8:20 AM   |  |  |
| 3                   | 8:23 AM - 8:40 AM   |  |  |
| 4                   | 8:43 AM - 9:00 AM   |  |  |
| 5                   | 9:03 AM - 9:20 AM   |  |  |
| 6                   | 9:23 AM - 9:40 AM   |  |  |
| 7                   | 9:43 AM - 10:00 AM  |  |  |
| 8                   | 10:03 AM - 10:20 AM |  |  |
| 9                   | 10:23 AM - 10:38 AM |  |  |
| Prayers             | 10:38 AM - 10:40 AM |  |  |



One question that we get while parents and guardians are trying to prepare for the quickly approaching school year is in regard to uniforms. Hopefully, the following information will help you as you begin to stock up on needed items.

### **Boys:**

- Navy or Khaki "Docker's Style" slacks w/belt loops. (Joggers and cargo pants are not an approved style of pants)
- Belt leather, black, dark brown, or navy-blue belt (no designs) must be worn with slacks
- White or green oxford shirt, short or long sleeve, with school monogram. (Students MUST have an oxford shirt, as they are required for Liturgy and formal attire days.)
- White or green polo shirt, short or long sleeve, with school monogram
- If undershirts are worn, they must be plain white
- V-neck pullover or sweater vest, white or green, all with school monogram
- Green fleece with school monogram may be worn. (Hoodies and sweatshirts are NOT permitted for daily wear.)
- Tie A tie is REQUIRED for Liturgy and formal attire days. No specific pattern or style is necessary. (For boys with difficulty tying ties, you may purchase Velcro/breakaway ties, but know that Mr. Fetter is always willing to help our young men tie their ties!)
- Crew socks in a design of student choice. Socks must be appropriate and in compliance with the mission of the school. Socks must be worn. No show socks are not permitted.
- Shoes must be solid colored black, dark brown, navy blue, or tan dress shoes.
- · No athletic or skater shoes permitted

#### Girls:

- Navy/green plaid skirt or solid navy skirt. Skirts must be within three inches of the top of the knee and not rolled to alter length
- Navy or Khaki "Docker's Style" slacks w/belt loops. (Sweatpants, yoga pants, and leggings are not permitted.)
- Belt leather, black, dark brown, or navy-blue belt (no designs) must be worn with slacks
- White or green polo shirt, short or long sleeve, with school monogram
- White or green oxford shirt, short or long sleeve, with school monogram. (Students MUST have an oxford shirt, as they are required for Liturgy and formal attire days.)
- V-neck pullover or sweater vest, white or green, all with school monogram
- Green fleece with school monogram may be worn. (Hoodies and sweatshirts are NOT permitted for daily wear.)
- If undershirts are worn, they must be plain white.
- Knee socks or crew socks in a design of student choice. Socks must be appropriate and in compliance with the mission of the school. Socks must be worn. (No show socks are not permitted.)
- Tights (not pantyhose) in black, white, or navy are permitted.

- Shoes must be solid colored black, dark brown, navy blue, or tan dress shoes.
- No athletic or skater shoes are permitted.

### APPROVED VENDORS:

While the khaki and navy dress pants can be purchased at any store, there are items that require purchase from specific vendors, especially those items that require the monogrammed crest or are specific plaid.

We have two options for approved vendors: Lands' End and School-Belles.

### **LANDS' END:**

You may use this link to begin your next year's shopping:

www.landsend.com/myschool (Preferred School Number: 900196882)

#### OR

This link will get you directly to the Geibel Catholic shopping experience at Lands' End:

https://www.landsend.com/co/account/school-uniforms?selectedSchoolNum=900196882

July 19th thru August 24th, Land's End is offering 20% off School Uniforms by using CODE: BREEZE and PIN: 7193

Lands' End also has a physical store located at 6254 Northway Mall Dr, Pittsburgh, PA 15237. Not sure what uniform pieces are actually available at the store.

### **SCHOOLBELLES:**

The *THIRD ATTACHMENT* will provide you with items and prices from SchoolBelles as well as contact information for SchoolBelles. They have a physical store located at 4721 McKnight Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15237, or you may order online using this link:

https://www.schoolbelles.com/CGI-BIN/LANSAWEB? PROCFUN+WORDPR01+WEBFUNC+M37+funcparms+rdmlend (A0010):Y

If ordering online, be sure to use our school code: S2199

Please remember that you may add pieces as the year goes on, so it may be more cost efficient to buy pieces to get you going for the beginning of the year.

## G. P. S.

## (Geibel Parent Society Your Guide to Everything Geibel Catholic)

New Geibel Catholic family who is looking to learn how to get more involved within our school? Seasoned Geibel Catholic family and are looking to help other families navigate the school and all it has to offer?

We have a new venture starting this school year, that would help families in just these situations. Currently, we are looking for any seasoned Geibel Catholic families that are looking to help the new families of our school, to "learn the ropes." This is designed for Seventh graders, freshman and transfer families who are new to our Geibel Catholic Community so that they can become familiar with all aspects of the school.

New students and parents often feel a little overwhelmed at first and may find themselves missing important details about school events or deadlines. In order to make things run smoother, G.P.S. parents will touch base with new parents several times during the school year to give details about important dates, answer questions and assist with any special concerns.

G.P.S. parents are also a phone call away at any time. G.P.S. parents should be seasoned parents within the school and should be familiar with most or all of the school policies and events (most are listed in the school handbook). This would be a hybrid of in person and virtual meeting. We will have an initial meeting in August to get ourselves gathered and explain the program in more details. If you are interested in joining this program, please call the Main Office at 724-628-5600.

If you are a new family and have questions about the start of the school year, send them in to cnhernandez@geibelcatholic.org and we will get them answered for you by this new group!

## Volunteer Spotlight



We would like to thank the student and adult volunteers that have come to help get our school ready for the next school year. They have all done a phenomenal job! If you are interested in coming to help make our school shine, please reach out to Mrs. McWilliams, dmcwilliams@geibelcatholic.org, Mrs. Hernandez, cnhernandez@geibelcatholic.org or by calling the Main Office, 724-628-5600.



Amanda Hoffer getting the paint ready for the day! Thank you to Amanda Hoffer, Troy Hoffer, Chloe Pletcher, Claire Konieczny, and Emily Manack for helping Mr. Hutchinson with the repainting of the door frames.

Our Uniform closet is now organized and open for business! A huge thank you to Brittany, Riley and Julian Zimmerman for coming in and organizing all of the uniforms. If you are in need of uniforms, you can come check them out, Monday-Friday, 9am to 2pm.





Ava Hernandez helping to clean our files up. Thank you Ava for helping to get our files in order for the incoming school year.



There is a limited amount of 2021-2022 year books available for order still. If you forgot or weren't interested at the time, now is your chance to grab one while they last! Last day to order is Monday, August 1st. Ordering can be done online at the following link: <a href="https://jostensyearbooks.com/?">https://jostensyearbooks.com/?</a> REF=A07142900. Any questions, please reach out to Mr. Procko at sprocko@geibelcatholic.org.



# **Laptop Distribution Information**

The IT department will be conducting Student laptop handouts on 8/9/22 and 8/17/22.

The handouts will occur in the Geibel Catholic cafeteria from 8:00AM to 4:00PM on Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup> and from 9:00AM to 5:00PM on Wednesday, August 17th.

## Both the student and parent/guardian must be present

Parents must complete the Acceptable Use Policy and the Device Agreement forms. These forms will be made available to you though Smart Wavier prior to the first handout day. Students must also complete the Acceptable Use Policy form (at the handout event).

You will receive a new message when these parent forms become available online. Please complete the parent forms (Acceptable Use Policy and Device Agreement) prior to your arrival in order to save time.

Parents and students can expect to spend up to 1 hour at the device handout. During this time they will go through a first time setup procedure and learn about some of the computer's functions as well as how to use important school resources. Please use the below link to register for a distribution time slot; https://volunteersignup.org/MXXJP

We look forward to seeing you there!

Monthly Calendar of Events... to keep up to date, please visit our website: https://www.geibelcatholic.org/Lists/School%20Activities%20Calendar/calendar.aspx

Reminder: Free School Sport Physicals will be held Thursday, July 21st from 5pm to 7pm in the Nurses Office and Athletic Trainer Room. Questions, please contact Coach Porter at dporter@geibelcatholic.org or 724-875-8797

Please be sure to submit your FACTS forms as soon as possible!

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| Sunday | Monday                   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday      | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|--------------------------|--|--|---------------|--------|----------|
|        | 1                        | 2  | 3  | 4             | 5      | 6        |
| 7      | 8                        | 9<br>Laptop handout for<br>new students: 8-4pm | 10   | 11            | 12     | 13       |
| 14     | 15                       | 16   | Laptop handout: 9-<br>5pm; Parent and/or<br>Student BTSIN: 5:30-<br>7:00pm | See the Newsl |        | 20       |
| 21     | 22<br>Teacher In Service | 23<br>Teacher In Service                       | FIRST DAY OF SCHOOLII  | 25            | 26     | 27       |
| 28     | 29                       | 30<br>Boys Soccer-<br>California TBD           | 31   |               |        |          |



Lord our God, in your wisdom and love you surround us with the mysteries of the universe. Send your Spirit upon these students and fill them with your wisdom and blessings. Grant that they may devote themselves to their studies and draw ever closer to you, the source of all knowledge. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Important Back to School Date Information:**

August 9th: 8am to 4pm, will be New Student Laptop handouts for all new incoming students to Geibel Catholic. If you are not able to attend this date, the next date will be on August 17th: 9am to 5pm. Students are required to be present for laptop pick ups. Please be sure to look for additional emails on time slot sign ups to pick up your students laptop



The next important date for August is, **Wednesday, August 17th**. We will be hosting a Parent and/or Student Back to School Information Night from **5:30 to 7:00pm**, in the Cafeteria. During this evening, we will be covering and reviewing PowerSchool, Final Forms, Schoology, and College in High School Enrollment Information. This will be an information and question

filled evening, that all of the Geibel Catholic School Family is encouraged to attend. We strongly suggest all new students to attend, as we will have a brief New Student Orientation.



Fr. John Moineau; The family of Fr. Tyler Bandura; Our Geibel Catholic School Family; the men and women serving our country; the Priests and Bishop of our Diocese.

## **Service Hour Opportunities**

This page will be used to communicate service hour opportunities within our Diocese and the local communities. If you or anyone that you know has an event and would like to advertise for volunteers, please send the information to cnhernandez@geibelcatholic.org

Carnegie Free Library in Partnership with Dunbar Community Library Presents: Children's Summer Quest 2022

They are currently looking for Ninth thru Twelfth Grade Student Volunteers to assist with this summer program. It starts on Friday, July 15<sup>th</sup> and runs for five weeks, until Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 1pm. The location is East Park in Connellsville. See the flyer for all of the fun that will be had!

If you are able to arrive at 9am to set up, it would be appreciated and clean up would end by 2pm. Interested students need to contact Miss Judy at 724-628-1380, judy@carnegiefreelibrary.org, or Miss Roxanne at 724-277-4775, roxanne@carnegiefreelibrary.org





Croquet Tournament Volunteers needed!

Connellsville Parks & Recreation is looking for volunteers to help with the Croquet Tournament on Saturday, July 23rd, 11am at East Park. Dress comfortably with sneakers. If you are able to assist or have any questions, please contact Mary Sampey at 724-984-7652

For service hours at St. Pius and Visitation, Mt. Pleasant, we have the following opportunities:

Altar serving at our parishes – we are in desperate need of servers. Requirements are baptized Catholics who have celebrated first communion. We will train kids of all ages and abilities. Contact Christy at <a href="mailto:cabaniss@dioceseofgreensburg.org">ccabaniss@dioceseofgreensburg.org</a>

St. Pius parish festival is Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>. There are MANY ways to volunteer. We have kids games, interested folks should email Susan Covalesky at <u>Covalesky.susan@gmail.com</u> The other sign-ups are in the rear of St. Pius Church after the Masses.

This fall we will have faith formation on Tuesday nights from 6 to 7:30, older kids (6<sup>th</sup> grade and up) are welcome to volunteer as classroom and hallway aides. Those interested can email Christy at <a href="mailto:ccabaniss@dioceseofgreensburg.org">ccabaniss@dioceseofgreensburg.org</a>

The Holy Name Society will be having Omelet Breakfasts on Sunday, October 9 and Sunday, November 13. The point of contact is the president of the HNS, John DiPasquale and he can be reached at <a href="mailto:sdipasquale@zoominternet.net">sdipasquale@zoominternet.net</a>