



Greenacres Christian Academy

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Greenacres Christian Academy. As you and your family make preparation for the new school year, we ask that you please take the time to thoroughly read this letter as it contains important information regarding the new school year. Thank you again for choosing Greenacres Christian Academy.

We encourage you to **Stay connected with GCA!**

Visit our website at MY-GREENACRES.ORG

All school info including our welcome letter, calendar, and other resources may be viewed any time from your mobile device or computer. Save this website for easy access throughout the school year.



GRADELINK.COM (available by website or download the Gradelink App)

Gradelink is our Student information system. Here you will be able to see our updated school news/announcements, be able to view your child's report grades/transcript immediately after they are published, and track your child's attendance. You may also set up alerts for your child's attendance/grades and easily switch to another child by clicking on the family icon on the top right corner.

Our school code is **1362**. *If you are a current GCA family and forgot your Gradelink username and password please visit our home page at my-greenacres.org scroll down to the bottom of page and fill in form to request Gradelink login info. *If you are a NEW family this year to GCA, you will receive your Gradelink login info when school begins.



[REMIND APP](#)

Remind is a text messaging app we use to reinforce communication with our GCA families. This does NOT work like a group text. When a message is sent from GCA all responses are seen by the classroom teacher or by Mrs. Fritsch only. It's a great way for all of us to stay in the loop with upcoming events and reminders. At the beginning of the school year a text message invitation will be sent to parent's cell phones to participate.

Heja

[HEJA APP](#)

Heja is our team communication app for our sport's teams



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LUNCHES

Due to microwave safety codes, microwaves will be used for the purpose of re-heating only; no cooking. Students will have a limit of 1:30 to heat up before lunch time only. Students may NOT pack food in need of cooking. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: all frozen foods, hot pockets, tv dinners, pot pies, uncooked pasta, uncooked macaroni and cheese, ramen/cup-o-noodles, popcorn. A suggestion would be to already have these types of items cooked and bring to school in a microwave safe container to reheat or send in a thermos. *The school does not provide containers/ plates for reheating items. The school does offer vending items such as snacks and drinks for \$1-\$2 and we do provide the option to purchase daily lunches Monday-Friday. Learn more about our lunch program at my-greenacres.org

EXTENDED CARE—Morning Care and Aftercare

Morning care is available starting at 7am and aftercare is available until 6pm.

Both Morning and Aftercare will be available starting Tuesday, August 16th.

All students participating in morning care or aftercare must be registered before attending.

Register online at my-greenacres.org Scroll down and click on Morning/aftercare registration.

Prices and other details are located inside registration form. ELC scholarships accepted. Our STEM and ART program will be available to those registered full time in aftercare.

UNIFORMS

Our uniform company is Harris Uniforms located off I-95 & Blue Heron Blvd. Order online or visit the store.

Harris Uniforms 4152 W. Blue Heron Blvd. #118 Riviera Beach, FL 33404 [561-881-8689](tel:561-881-8689)

www.harrisschooluniforms.com/store/

Students are required to wear ONLY BLUE Navy *uniform style bottoms. These may be purchased from Harris Uniforms or purchased in the uniform section of many department stores.

Please make sure pants/shorts are *uniform style. *Purchased in the uniform section and are a loose fit.

Ladies may also choose to wear Harris Uniform's plaid blue and solid blue navy Skorts and Skirts.

Please note these styles of pants are NOT acceptable: Cargo style w/pockets on legs, jean material, corduroy material, legging style, or skinny/tight-fit bottoms.

Uniform Guidelines

Boys K-12th are to wear BLUE Navy uniform style pants or shorts with either a green, maroon, black or yellow polo shirts with our school logo, purchased from Harris Uniforms.

Boys 6th-12th must also wear a belt. **Boys 9th-12th** may have *nicely trimmed facial hair. The definition of nicely trimmed is under the discretion of the administration. Note: Boys must be clean shaven if they are participating in any Sport or Regional Student Convention.

Girls K-12th may wear BLUE Navy uniform pants or blue navy uniform shorts with either a green, maroon, black, or yellow polo shirts with our school logo, purchased from Harris Uniforms. *All skirts, skorts, shorts, and dresses must reach to one inch above the top of the knee.

Girls K-5th may also wear Harris Uniform's solid blue navy cotton uniform dress with our logo.

ALL STUDENTS Shoes must be closed toed/closed heeled. Tennis shoes are best.

Jackets/sweaters worn at school must be school uniform and either purchased from Harris OR our Spirit Wear Company (packets for ordering will go home at the beginning of the school year - Please do not wait to order as these will only be available to purchase periodically during the school year)



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New Student documents needed

Please make sure the school office has your child's birth certificate, shot record, and school physical by the time school begins. New students may not attend school until these documents have been received. Thank you in advance.

Returning Students documents needed

If your child is entering the 7th grade please make sure the school has your child's updated shot record including the 7th grade TDAP. Also, if your child plans on participating in our sports program, please make sure they have a new physical completed by the start of school. Thank you in advance.

IMPORTANT EVENTS COMING UP

Monday, August 14th, 2023, MEET THE TEACHER and DROP OFF SUPPLIES - The day before school begins we will have an open house where you may drop off school supplies and meet your child's teacher. The open house will be from 1pm-4pm. Supply List can be found on my-greenacres.org homepage under important info.

Tuesday, August 15th, 2023, FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL (ALL GRADES) School starts at 8:30am for all grades.
Dismissal Times: (K-4th grade, 2:30pm) (5th-7th grade, 2:45pm) (8th-12th grade, 3:00pm)

PARENT ORIENTATION/CURRICULUM NIGHT

This is MANDATORY for all new families or if your child has a new teacher this year.

The Kindergarten-4th grade orientation will take place at 6:00pm on Monday, August 21st and the 5th-12th grade orientation will take place at 6:00pm on Tuesday, August 22nd.

Topics to be covered at K-4th grade Orientation:

- Curriculum specifics
- Academic Expectations (goals/incentives)
- Clubs/Extracurricular Programs
- Handbook and Procedures
- Gradelink
- School Events/Calendar/notifications
- Parent involvement/volunteer opportunities

Topics to be covered at 5th-12th grade Orientation:

- Curriculum specifics
- Academic Expectations (goals/incentives)
- Clubs/Extracurricular Programs/Student Leadership opportunities
- Sports
- High School Programs (Career Course Track/College Dual Enrollment/Scholarships)
- Handbook and Procedures
- Gradelink
- School Events/Calendar/notifications
- Parent involvement/volunteer opportunities

AUGUST 2023

- 13 (Sun.)** Teacher Installation Service @LegacyChurch, 11am
- 14 (Mon.)** Meet the teacher—drop of supplies, 1-4pm
- 15 (Tues.)** First Day of School, 8:30am
Dismissal times:
K-4th 2:30pm, 5th-7th 2:45pm, 8th-12th 3:00pm
- 21 (Mon.)** Kindergarten—4th grade **Parent Orientation**, 6pm
- 22 (Tues.)** 5th—12th grade **Parent Orientation**, 6pm
- 28-1 (M-F)** Student Council Campaign Week

SEPTEMBER 2023

- 04 (Mon.)** NO SCHOOL, Labor Day
- 06 (Wed.)** Student Council Speeches
- 07 (Thurs.)** Student Council Elections
- 08 (Fri.)** Grand "Paw"rents Breakfast @GCA, 9am
- 11 (Mon.)** 3 week student progress reports sent home
- 12 (Tues.)** Super Tuesday (academically on task incentive)
- 14 (Thurs.)** School Pictures (K-6th)
- 15 (Fri.)** School Pictures (6th-12th)
- 25-29 (M-F)** Spiritual Awareness Week
- 27 (Wed.)** "SEE YOU AT THE POLE", @7:30am

-Once again, thank you for choosing Greenacres Christian Academy. We look forward to a wonderful school year!