

# The Soldier Update

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

August:
21st: Noon
Dismissal

22nd: LifeTouch Fall Pictures

24th-25th: Academic Camp

28th: Late Start Monday, 10am

September:

5th: Labor Day (no school)

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## Welcome Back to School!

It's hard to believe that school is in session again! It is a blessing to see so many happy faces come through the doors each morning. As we begin our 40th year, we look forward to what the Lord has planned for this school year, as He works in the hearts and lives of our students and faculty.

The Weekly Update: Just to acquaint you, "The Soldier Update" is a weekly newsletter that is published every Thursday afternoon and contains the latest information regarding school activities, events, etc. "The Update" is transmitted via e-mail, through our School Cast program, to all school families.

#### LifeTouch Studios - Fall Pictures

IMPORTANT NOTE: Separate order forms must be completed for each individual and group photo order.

Beginning at 8:30, on August 22nd, LifeTouch Studios will be here to take fall pictures. <u>Order forms will be sent home with all students this week, and additional forms will be available across from the school office.</u>

Students in grades K3-12: These students MUST have their order forms completed by a parent, and PAYMENT INCLUDED with each order, before the portraits can be taken. Both must be brought to school on the morning of Tuesday, August 22nd, and presented at the photography session.

#### Payment Options:

**Cash** - When sending cash, PLEASE SEND CORRECT AMOUNT, as change cannot be given.

**Checks** - All checks are to be made payable to LifeTouch Studios - **NOT** Grace Christian School.

**Online** - Make payments at <u>www.mylifetouch.com</u>. Follow the online instructions, being sure to write the payment code on your order form.

**SENIORS** - Since this picture will be used for the yearbook and graduation, students need to dress in their "Sunday best" for picture day.

#### **ScragglePop is Coming to GCS!!**

We will be accepting orders for ScragglePop to be delivered to your child's room on the last full Friday of each month. The transportation fund will receive 100% of the profits from all sales of ScragglePop. (Currently we have \$5,000 in our transportation fund towards the purchase of a bus or van.) An order form is attached to this Update, and forms will also be available in the rack across from the school office. Payment is due at the time of order placement.

<u>Month</u>	Order Date	<b>Delivery Date</b>
August	25th	Sept 1st
September	22nd	29th
October	20th	27th
November	15th	24th
December	15th	22nd

### Fall Fundraiser!!!

This is our largest fundraiser of the year, with many incentives for student and teacher participation. Fifty percent of the sale price of each item is profit for the school, and we have very little overhead in this sale. It helps fund educational enhancements that are not built into the budget to ensure tuition is as affordable as possible. Profits are used for transportation expenses and upgrades, technology infrastructure and support, and a host of other things. Contact the school office if you would prefer to make a donation (\$150 for 1 to 2 students or \$175 for 3 or more) to qualify your student for incentives rather than selling items.

#### **K3-5th Grade Incentives**

**EARLY BIRD**: All students who turn in 10 or more items by August 22 will participate in the following incentives!

<u>K3-2nd grades</u>: Lunch at McDonald's! 3rd-5th grades: Lunch at Gatti's Pizza!

**PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT**: 10 or more orders.

K3-2nd grades: Sell 10 items, students participate in an inflatable party at school!

3rd-5th grades: Sell 10 items, attend a bowling trip (at your cost); sell 17 items, attend trip FREE!

•**TOP CLASS**: The top class in each division (K5-2nd and 3rd-5th) that secures the most orders over their class goal will receive their choice of an ice cream OR pizza party!

•TOP STUDENT: <u>The top 3 students in both divisions</u> that sell the most items over 30 will receive: 1st place: \$150 cash; 2nd place: \$100 cash; 3rd place: \$50 cash.

#### 6th-12th Grade Incentives

•EARLY BIRD: All students who secure orders for 10 items (or more) by August 22 will receive:

An excused day off of school (date to be determined)

#### •PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT:

6th-8th grades: A trip to Malibu Jack's Indoor Kart Racing!

Sell 10 items (or more): Attend at your cost. Sell 15 items (or more): Attend at 1/2 price. Sell 25 items (or more): Attend FREE!

9th-12th grades: A trip to King's Island!

Sell 10 items (or more): Attend at your cost. Sell 20 items (or more): Attend at 1/2 price.

Sell 30 items (or more): Attend FREE!

- •**TOP CLASS**: The top class in each division (6th-8th and 9th-12th) that secures the most orders over their class goal will receive a pizza party!
- •TOP STUDENT: <u>The top 3 students in both divisions</u> that sell the most items over 30 will receive: 1st place: \$150 cash; 2nd place: \$100 cash; 3rd place: \$50 cash.

**BACK AGAIN THIS YEAR:** Top 3 sellers in each division will take an SUV Limo to lunch!!

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#### **Academic Camp**

Academic Camp begins Thursday, August 24th, at Cedar Lakes in Ripley, WV, and runs through Friday, August 25th, for all GCS students in grades 7-12. This annual event offers a relaxed, rural setting, where our faculty and students can enjoy quality time outside the classroom and participate together in many varied activities, both educational and recreational.

Cody Huber has previously served as Youth Director at First Baptist Church in Waterville, MN, for 4 years. He is currently a fulltime student at Faith Baptist Bible College, working on his bachelor's degree in Biblical Counseling and Pastoral Studies. Cody looks forward to challenging our students to risk their lives for Jesus (Phil. 1:20-21).

Please pray for our students, faculty, and staff, that the Lord will protect them and that they will be tender to His Word, as they prepare to embark upon a new school year.

An extra permission form is available on page 4 of this week's Update.

#### **Immunizations**

Please make sure that your student has had a Tdap booster (usually given before 7th grade) and Menactra (meningococcal vaccine) after their 16th birthday.

#### Reminder—Noon Dismissal Aug 21st

Just a reminder Monday, August 21st, will be a half day, with a noon dismissal, due to the eclipse. There will be aftercare available until 4:00 at no charge, (rather than 3:30 due to the unsafe zone of 1-4pm for the eclipse).



#### GRACE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PRESENTS

#### **ACADEMIC CAMP 2017**

Nestled in the Appalachian foothills of West Virginia, Cedar Lakes began in 1950 with a vision of education for young people. Since that time, Cedar Lakes has provided a natural setting that enhances Grace Christian School's annual Academic Camp. The relaxed, rural atmosphere enables our faculty and students to enjoy quality time outside the classroom and participate together in many varied activities, spiritual, educational, and recreational. Academic Camp does count as days of school attendance.



Occasionally, seventh grade parents are uneasy at the thought of having their children away from home overnight. While we understand this concern regarding the younger students, we whole-heartedly encourage our parents to allow their children to attend Camp.

However, for those parents who feel their (seventh grade) students are too young to be away from home, we are making attendance to Academic Camp optional. This waiver applies to seventh grade students only. Please keep in mind that while attendance at Camp is optional for seventh grade students, school attendance is not. All seventh grade students not attending Academic Camp WILL BE REQUIRED to attend school; excused absences will not be granted. Various on-site projects, including serving as elementary teacher assistants, will be planned for these students.

- SPEAKER: Cody Huber has previously served as Youth Director at First Baptist Church in Waterville, MN, for 4 years. He is currently a fulltime student at Faith Baptist Bible College working on his bachelor's degree in Biblical Counseling and Pastoral Studies. Cody looks forward to challenging our students to risk their lives for Jesus (Phil. 1:20-21)
- COST: The total cost is \$55 and covers all expenses, other than snacks, for the two days of camp. Students are welcome to bring snacks from home.
- REGISTRATION: Checks for the Academic Camp fee are to be made out to GCS and, along with the attached permission form (signed and completed), are due no later than 8:30 am on Thurs, Aug 24th.
- DRESS CODE: Students may wear pants, jeans, or knee-length shorts to travel to the camp, while at camp, and during the services. Along with a Bible, notebook, and pen, students should also bring wash cloths, towels, toiletries, bedding, and snacks (if desired).
- SCHOOL ARRIVAL/BUS DEPARTURE: On Thursday, Aug 24th, students are to arrive before 8:30 am, and leave their baggage next to the trailer parked on the school lot. Students are then to report directly to their homeroom no later than 8:30 am. Buses will depart at 9 am and arrive at Camp by approximately 10:30 am.
- **RETURN:** Buses will return to school on Fri, Aug 25th, no later than 3:30 pm.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT ACADEMIC CAMP, PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

#### GCS ACADEMIC CAMP 2017 - PARENTAL PERMISSION FORM

NOTE: EACH STUDENT ATTENDING ACADEMIC CAMP MUST HAVE THIS FORM COMPLETED IN FULL AND RETURNED (ALONG WITH THE \$55 REGISTRATION FEE) TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, AUGUST 24TH.

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LOCATION: Cedar Lakes, Ripley, WV DATE(S): Thurs, Aug 24th - Fri, Aug 25th LEAVING (school): Thurs, Aug 24th, 9 am RETURNING (to school): Fri, Aug 25th, by 3:30 pm (approx)

My child has my permission to participate in Academic Camp.

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Mrs. Christi Spears is an RN, and parent, that will be traveling with us to Academic Camp. She will be collecting all medication ahead of time and administering it to each student as needed. She will also be there to treat other medical needs as they may arise.

# PICTURE DAY IS: ELDÍA DE LA FOTO ES

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Picture Day ID: WV047014Q0

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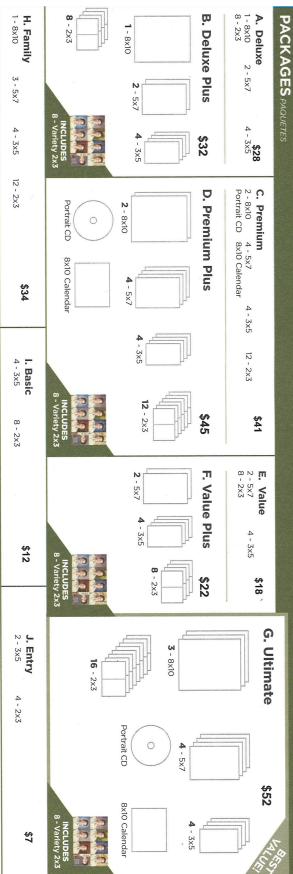


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# Order today at mylifetouch.com

#### Return order form on Picture Day

(see check box on payment envelope)

Encarga hoy en mylifetouch.com Envía el formulario de pedido el Día de la Foto (mira la casilla de verificación en el sobre de pago).

#### Get this classroom keepsake for only \$12

Obtén este recuerdo del salón de clases por solo \$12

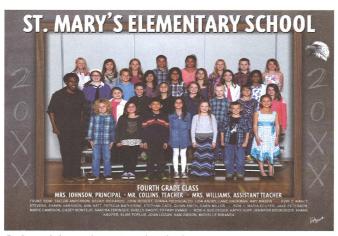
#### **Mark Your Calendar**

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Tuesday, August 22, 2017 \ martes, 22 de agosto, 2017

> Grace Christian School

Picture Day ID: WV047001G0



Design and class posing may vary by school.

#### IMPORTANT:

Payment for class pictures must be received on Picture Day!

IMPORTANTE: iEl pago de las fotos de la clase debe recibirse el Día de la Foto!

Questions? Call 1-888-511-7249. Picture day is a fund raiser for the school. Your participation is appreciated. Thank you!

#### Class Picture Order Form Fo Please fill out this form and return to the photographer on Picture Day. Order online at mylifetouch.com or send payment in this envelope. Completa este formulario y enviaselo al fotógrafo el Día de la Foto. Encarga por internet en mylifetouch.com o envia el pago en este sobre Teacher: Maestro/a Student's Name: Nombre del alumno/a: Grade: Grado. Subtotal **Price Qty** Order online at mylifetouch.com \$12 Add 7% tax. Agregar un 7% en concepto de impuesto a las ventas Check this box if To pay by credit card visit mylifetouch.com Enter Online Payment Code: vou ordered online. Total Enclosed \$ Grace Christian School WV047001G0 WV01XP700031 71197





Orders & money due by date:

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