



# GREENWOOD MENNONITE SCHOOL



## Why choose GMS for high school?

### academics

Greenwood Mennonite School seeks to prepare students with comprehensive and rigorous academics. GMS SAT scores have continued to rise and we consistently score better than every public school in the state, including the Tech Schools. Students can choose enriched sections of all core high school courses. In the enriched sections students are expected to read more, research more, and do more advanced exercises. Recent graduates have gone on to higher educations at esteemed colleges and universities, such as, Swarthmore College, Liberty University, Lynchburg College, and The University of Delaware.



### J-Term



Our January term is offered to high school students for two weeks each year and has become the favorite time of the year for many. Students are given the opportunity to take part in classes that are not part of our normal curriculum. Typical offerings include digital photography, drawing, drama, creative writing, and cultural immersion. Other recent offerings were model rocketry, auto service, and musical composition. There is usually a mission trip option as well as a chance for students to job shadow in a chosen career.



### our mission

*Greenwood Mennonite School is an extension of the church and Christian home, educating students in a biblical worldview, from an Anabaptist perspective, in Christian values and in relevant academics to be effective citizens of the world.*



## DID YOU KNOW?

- Currently, we are pulling students from 40 different churches. Less than 50% of our students attend a Mennonite church.
- Our students travel quite a distance to learn with us. We have 13 zip codes in our student body.

# What are people saying about GMS?

## THE STUDENTS:

"My experience at GMS is one I will never forget. I am so grateful for the friendships that were formed and remain solid many years later."

- Sonya Yoder  
2004 GMS Graduate

"I am writing to say thank you for this school. When my parents said that I would move to another school, I did not want to go... Now I do not want to leave this school."

- Valera Davis  
GMS Class of 2018

## THE PARENTS:

"I am thankful that our children are able to be in a school where they can have an education, but more important, have the freedom to learn about the Lord."

- Brent & Leticia Gehman

"GMS is a place where I can trust that my kids are being cared for. Not just academically, but spiritually. I know I have partners behind the doors of this school who support my values and my desire to make my children's relationship with God a priority, and to reinforce what we are teaching them at home."

- Janelle Welfley

## THE TEACHERS:

"The level of involvement in our school displayed by our high schoolers just amazes me! Not only do they do so MANY things, but they also do them WELL, sharing an incredible investment of their time and talents to help enrich the lives of others."

- Mr. Roy Landis

## Driver's education Program

GMS is pleased to be able to offer Driver's Ed to our 10<sup>th</sup> grade students. This course is offered after school during September. It is convenient and the cost is only \$36. The driving portion of the course is arranged to be completed before the student's birthday, at their convenience.

"I love it that GMS is now offering Driver's Ed. It has made life easier for our family."  
Monica Chupp  
GMS Parent

## Career Training and Instruction (CTI) Program



GMS is pleased to provide the opportunity for our high school students to complete vocational training in our Career Training and Instruction (CTI) Program. In partnership with Penn Foster Career School, and with local businesses, GMS offers a wide variety of vocational training. A student that chooses CTI will be able to graduate with training as well as hands-on experience in their desired vocational field. They may also be eligible for certification from Penn Foster, depending on the field chosen.

We currently have students enrolled in these programs:

**VETERINARIAN AID** Landscaping  
**Auto Mechanic** Diesel Auto CAD Design  
**Small Business management** Physical Therapy Assistant  
**Body Auto**

## Interested? Want more information?

We welcome anyone to come tour our campus! Feel free to schedule a tour with Mr. Miller by calling the school office during normal operating hours. You can also scan our QR code to the right and visit our school's website.



## ATHLETICS




GMS offers a complete sports program including cooperation with the Eastern Shore Bucks football team. Most sports practice or have games three days per week which allows for church and family activities while enabling our teams to perform at a very competitive level. This also makes it easier for students to participate in

travel teams and club sports. We offer soccer, volleyball, basketball, track and field, baseball, and softball.

## music

GMS offers an unparalleled Christian music program. High school students have the opportunity to pursue vocal music and performance in the GMS Chorale, and instrumental performance in band. Professional instruction and direction is given in each by highly qualified and trained music teachers. In Chorale a variety of musical styles are studied using literature from traditional, classical, and contemporary music. This group gives 5-8 programs each year, participates in festivals and goes on a five day tour out of the state. The GMS band focuses on rhythm, melody, harmony, musical form, tone color, expression, and awareness of various forms and styles of music. The GMS Band practices daily during regular school hours and performs several times each year. Both music groups are also given the opportunity to try out for all-state honors.



GMS NOW OFFERS A COURSE CALLED **FOUNDATIONS IN PERSONAL FINANCE**. THIS COURSE, DESIGNED BY DAVE RAMSEY, COVERS AN ARRAY OF TOPICS RANGING ANYWHERE FROM SAVING AND BUDGETING TO INVESTING AND 401(K)'S. THE PURPOSE OF THIS COURSE IS TO EQUIP OUR STUDENTS WITH THE BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES THEY NEED TO SUCCESSFULLY HANDLE THEIR FINANCES. THIS CURRICULUM IS SPECIFICALLY GEARED TOWARD HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND IS A REQUIRED COURSE FOR ALL GMS SENIORS.

## extra curricular OPPORTUNITIES

### *Adopt-A-Grandparent*

High school students have the option to visit a local nursing home and spend time visiting with an elderly person. Usually students pair up and visit with the same person each time they go. This opportunity is open to all students and is one way that students spread the love of Jesus to those they come in contact with.

### *Senate*

The student Senate consists of members from each high school grade. They provide and maintain a school store and snack and soda machines. Student body functions are additional responsibilities of senate members. They plan parties, pep rallies, senior nights, spirit weeks, Christmas and service projects, work days, Valentine's flowers, and youth support/encouragement. The secret pals during the soccer, volleyball, and basketball seasons are also organized by the Senate. These events take place throughout the school year.

### *Pioneer*

The Pioneer yearbook is published each year by a staff of students in grades 10-12. Students meet 2 periods in school per week. They also work any spare time they can find during the school day to meet their many deadlines. The end product is a 98 page yearbook that comes out at the beginning of the following school year.

### *Drama*

The high school drama production is put on each spring (March or April) and auditions are open to all high school students. During the rehearsals, the director focuses on key components in drama production. Students spend January-March preparing for the production.

## more extra curricular OPPORTUNITIES

- Worship Team
- Science Fair
- Internships
- Missions
- Teacher's Assistants
- Bible Quiz Team
- Class Officers
- Fine Arts Crafts
- Fine Arts Performed
- Class Trips
- School Day Out
- Jr./Sr. Banquet
- and more!



## Dear Parents,

Choosing a high school for your son or daughter is not always an easy task. Having taught in the public schools for nearly 20 years, I am by no means “anti” public school. I believe many, if not most, of the teachers there are good people that are doing their best to meet student’s needs. That being said, I am unashamedly “pro” Christian education. I believe Christian schools uniquely meet the needs of students during the formative years and that as a child matures into a young adult, they need the influence of Godly people in their lives on a daily basis. They need to be taught from a basis of truth.



I don't believe that it is by accident that a recent Cardus Educational Study found that,

***“private school graduates tend to look back much more favorably upon their high school experiences.”***

Or that,

***“Christian school graduates are uniquely compliant, generous, outwardly-focused individuals who stabilize their communities by their uncommon commitment to their families, their churches, and larger society.”***

Schools such as GMS are uniquely positioned and able to help students develop a worldview that is God-honoring and that will affect student decision making for years to come. I truly wish you God's blessing as you choose a school for your high school age student.

Sincerely,  
Duane Miller, Principal

## CONTACT US

Give us a call for more information about our high school!

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