



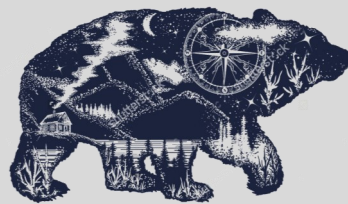
# THE Grace Crossing Connection

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## Welcome

*A new and exciting year is beginning at Grace Crossing Academy! We are looking forward to what God has planned for us this 2017-2018 school year. We are blessed to have a lot of returning families and so many new smiling faces!*



Our theme for the 2017-2018 school year is

## God is our Compass

### Psalm 121

It is our prayer that we at GCA live our lives and teach your kids to live a life with God as our Compass. We believe that He is our compass and He will guide us through the map that is our lives. We want all of our GCA kids to know that there is nothing too great for God to handle! Our students will learn this year that God's care for us is close, continuing and constant. Together we will pray and teach our students to trust that God will show them the way to overcome any obstacle in their life!

School Shirts are on sale until September 1st! They may be worn Thursdays and Fridays without a uniform.



September 18th-September  
22nd

from 8:30am-4:30pm

Sunday September 17th

**HAPPY  
LABOR  
DAY**

SCHOOL CLOSED  
SEPTEMBER 4TH

## FALL PORTRAITS

September 12th-14th

School pictures are offered twice a year—a formal fall portrait in uniforms and a spring portrait in an outfit of your choice. Your child's picture will be taken on the day they normally attend school. If your child attends all days, we will try to let you know in advance which day they will have their individual picture taken. ***Students need to wear their plaid uniforms or their best everyday uniform on all picture days.*** Every child will have their picture taken! **We will be using a new photographer and process for ordering school pictures this year!** **More info coming soon!**



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The best way to minimize illness *in the building* is to keep it *out of the building*. This is why we call parents to pick up their children when they have a fever; have signs of a stomach virus, such as vomiting or diarrhea; or present other symptoms of illness, such as a rash. If your child has any symptoms like these or others outlined in the Parent Handbook, we ask that you do not bring your child to school.

**Any child who has a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher by mouth, vomiting (one time or more), diarrhea (two or more episodes in a 24-hour period), or other symptoms of illness will not be admitted to class.** If a child becomes ill at school, he or she will be separated from other students (for his or her and other students' protection) and must be picked up immediately/within one hour, by a parent/guardian or an adult designated on the GCA Emergency Card.

### Safety Reminders for Dismissal

Dismissal will begin at **2:30 pm** and end at 2:45 pm

- Form a single line along the right curb in the horseshoe driveway. **Please do not park on the inside left curve. You will be asked to move.**
- Please pay attention to signals made by staff members and **DRIVE SLOWLY**
- Please stand outside your vehicle by the curb when you see a staff member bringing your child
- Once you receive your child, **please drive around the curb to buckle them in.**

Parents who do not wish to participate in car line may park in a parking space and come to the first door on the west side of the building facing the parking lot to pick up their children directly from the Great Room. **Please do not use the front door for walk in pick up.**

### TUITION

Parents please remember that payments are due on the first day of each month. Payments can be made online, cash, check and auto-draft is available. The auto-draft occurs on the 15th of every month. Starting SEPTEMBER 1st you will be charged a \$5 fee if you do not sign your child in and out. Email Katie at [kbienek@gracecrossingacademy.net](mailto:kbienek@gracecrossingacademy.net)

Don't forget to add yourself to GCA's School Remind 101 and your child's GCA classroom Remind 101 for special announcements and updates!

**Step 1:** Find your class code below

**Step 2:** Text the code in blue to 81010

**Step 3:** Receive a confirmation text and enjoy exclusive school/classroom updates and GCA emergency notices

GCA School- [@gcafamilly](#)  
 Seeds- [@gcacaseeds](#)  
 Roots- [@gcaroots](#)  
 Sprouts- [@gcasprouts](#)  
 Blooms- [@gcablooms](#)  
 Explorers- [@gcaexplore](#)  
 Adventurers- [@adventured](#)  
 Navigators- [@gcanavigate](#)  
 Pathfinders- [@gcapath](#)  
 Trailblazers- [@gcatrail](#)  
 Investigators- [@gcainvest](#)  
 PreK 1-Christina- [@gcaprek1](#)  
 PreK 2-Sinquefield- [@gcaprek2](#)  
 PreK 3-Heather- [@gcaprek3](#)