

COLLEGE CLASSES COMMONPLACE FOR CRUSADERS

Earning college credit during high school is becoming easier for high schoolers across the country, and that's no exception at Grand Island Central Catholic.

Currently, GICC students are enrolled in college courses that will earn a total of 200+ college credits while also counting as a high school class.

The majority of college credits earned by GICC Crusaders are through Central Community College (CCC), with Wayne State College and Nebraska Wesleyan also serving our students via courses.



The courses are taken in a variety of ways (on-site, online, and by a hybrid online with on-site proctoring).

"We're fortunate that the CCC College English professor comes to GICC to teach our seniors each year," Guidance Counselor Dr Hehnke said. "And we have the luxury of offering College Calculus on-site with Dr Engle."

"Not only does this allow our students to acquaint themselves with collegiate expectations, but it also gives them a leg up on their peers when entering postsecondary education," Dr Engle said.

Engle also stated that 17 Crusaders are taking his College Calculus course this year, and he believes Central Catholic has prepared these students well for the challenge of taking high level mathematics.

"I'm continually impressed by their achievement in the course," Dr Engle added.

The other courses Crusaders are currently taking include General Chemistry, Intro to Business, Intro to Psychology, Public Speaking, American History I, Western Civilizations, Intro to Criminal Justice, and Electrical Theory.

Dr Hehnke takes great pride in facilitating class schedules that allow for students to pursue their academic goals and interests.

"I don't mind getting creative to let kids experience the opportunities out there," Dr Hehnke commented. She assists in the registration process, works with students the first week of class to help them log-in and get started, and she monitors their college grades on a 3-week basis.



Connor Johnson

From a student's perspective, senior Connor Johnson is appreciative of the opportunity to take these college courses while still in high school.

"My college courses fit into my schedule well because I don't have all of them every day of the week," Johnson explained. He is currently taking four college courses.

"English and Calculus are both in-person, Western Civilizations is completely online, and Chemistry is partially online and also guided in-classroom by Mr Miller." Johnson has also taken college Public Speaking, Psychology, and Sociology in the past, which will equate to 24 college credits upon his GICC graduation.

Johnson suggests that Crusader students "always consider taking the college classes that Dr Hehnke recommends for them."

School Board Meeting Date
6:00 pm

September 28, 2023

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GICC

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PICTURE RETAKES

Tues, Sept 12
8:15am

Also for all students who missed Orientation

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PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Thrs, Sept 21
1-4pm & 5-8pm

21

NO SCHOOL

Thrs, Sept 21
Fri, Sept 22

21-22

NOTES FROM THE COUNSELOR

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PSAT Test

Weds, Oct 11 Test
For Sophomores & Juniors who Registered

ACT Testing

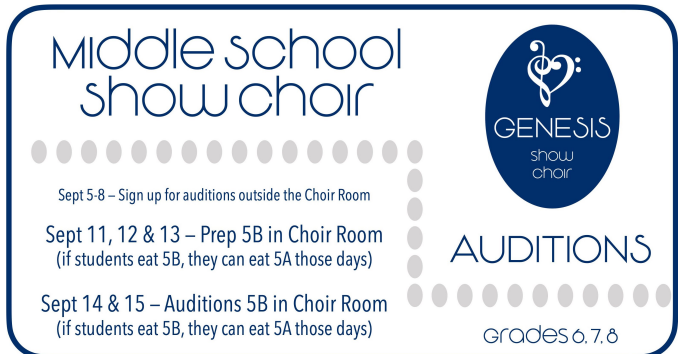
Oct 28, 2023 – Register by Sept 22
Dec 9, 2023 – Register by Nov 3
Feb 10, 2024 – Register by Jan 5
Apr 13, 2024 – Register by Mar 8
June 8, 2024 – Register by May 3
July 13, 2024 – Register by Jun 7
Details & Registration at www.act.org
Spring On-Campus Testing TBD

UNK Health Science Explorers Career Club

For Grades 9 - 12
This opportunity allows students the chance to explore and learn more about Health Science careers from an online experience, listen to professionals talk about what their jobs are really like, and ask questions through an online format from the comfort of home.
Begins Sept 13 meeting virtually on the second Wednesday of each month from 7:00-8:00pm.
Student will also gather in-person twice during the year to tour Nebraska hospitals.
[CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO AND TO REGISTER](#)



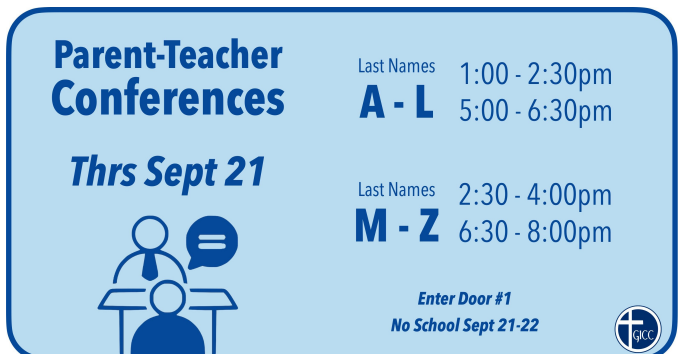
NYC GICC²⁴ **Tues, Sept 26**
5:30-8:00pm
\$5pp
Drink Included!
Proceeds benefit Crusaders going to New York City June 2024



Middle school show choir
Sept 5-8 – Sign up for auditions outside the Choir Room
Sept 11, 12 & 13 – Prep 5B in Choir Room (if students eat 5B, they can eat 5A those days)
Sept 14 & 15 – Auditions 5B in Choir Room (if students eat 5B, they can eat 5A those days)
AUDITIONS
grades 6, 7, 8



Nominate GICC's outstanding teachers!
Kim West Dinsdale's \$5,000 Excellence in Teaching Award
Submit Your Nomination Online by September 22
gicf.org/communities/excellence-in-teaching/



Parent-Teacher Conferences
Last Names A - L 1:00 - 2:30pm
5:00 - 6:30pm
Thrs Sept 21
Last Names M - Z 2:30 - 4:00pm
6:30 - 8:00pm
Enter Door #1
No School Sept 21-22



CONCESSIONS & ADMISSIONS
VOLUNTEERS WANTED
for gicc events
[Click here to see the shifts available](#)



NO SCHOOL MON, OCT 2
DIOCESAN TEACHERS CONVENTION



CENTRAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL BOARD

At its August meeting, GICC's School Board elected officers for this fiscal year.

Jeanee Mueller-Fossberg will serve as President, Jim Rein will serve as Vice President, and Rob Czaplowski will serve as Secretary.

In addition, the following individuals sit on this board: Jackie Gellatly, Kay Niebuhr, Matt Serbousek, Dustin Suminski, Fr Don Buhrman (St Leo's Church), Fr Jorge Canela (St Mary's Cathedral),

Fr Marty Egging (Blessed Sacrament Church), and Fr Vijumon Thomas Choorackal (Resurrection Church).

The Central Catholic School Board meets the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:00pm in the GICC Library. Changes to meeting dates and times are announced on social media.

Agendas for the meetings can also be found on social media. Any additions to the agenda must be submitted to the office of the principal no less than 24 hours

before the beginning of the meeting.

Standing committees of the GICC school board are the Policy and Review Committee, Curriculum Committee, Facilities Committee, Budget and Finance Committee, Recruiting Committee, Athletic Booster Club, and Fine Arts Guild.

To read approved minutes from previous board meetings, please use the "Staff & Board" link under our 'Crusaders' tab of the GICC website, or click here to visit: <https://www.gicc.org/board-meeting-minutes.html>

PARKING FOR GRANDPARENTS MASS WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 20



We appreciate our Crusader families cooperating with the parking plan and allowing our guests to park in the yellow spaces!

We still need parent volunteers for the GICC Food Stand fundraiser at Husker Harvest Days Sept 12-14, and clean up Sept 17.

VOLUNTEER HERE!



Use the link to see the dates and times that we need help to clean, set up, move out, run the concession stand, clean up and move items back to school.

If you have questions, please contact:

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FUTURE
 Please join us at GICC's
GRANDPARENTS & SPECIAL GUESTS MASS
 Officiated by Fr. Sid Bruggeřman
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023, 8:00 AM
 Join us for Coffee and Rolls after Mass
 1200 Ruby Avenue, Grand Island, NE




SEPTEMBER 2023 LUNCH MENU

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

					1 Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce Breadstick Jello Cup Cookie 1/2 pt Milk
4 NO LUNCH NO SCHOOL	5 Chicken Sandwich Chips Peaches Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	6 Goulash Dinner Roll Watermelon Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	7 No Breakfast Bar	8 Breakfast Burrito Tri Tator Jello Cup Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	
11 Max Sticks w/Marinara Mandarin Oranges Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	12 Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Corn Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	13 Super Nachos Jello Cup Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	14 No Breakfast Bar BBQ Chicken Sliders Waffle Fries Fruit Snacks Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	15 Tortilla Wrap (Turkey / Ham) Chips 1/2 Apple Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	
18 Hot Dog or Chili Dog Tator Tots Fresh Carrots Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	19 Chicken Quesadilla Strawberries / Pineapple Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	20 No Breakfast Bar French Bread Pizza Fruit Snacks Pudding 1/2 pt Milk	21 NO LUNCH NO SCHOOL	22 NO LUNCH NO SCHOOL	
25 French Toast Sticks Sausage Links Pears Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	26 Alfredo Meatballs w/Noodles Peas / Carrots Breadstick Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	27 Chicken Rice Bowl Surprise Side Ice Cream Cup 1/2 pt Milk	28 No Breakfast Bar Macaroni & Cheese Green Beans Dinner Roll Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	29 Baked Potato Bar Jello Cup Cookie 1/2 pt Milk	



Menu subject to change upon availability

Entrees are available in Regular & Large portion sizes. Students will order their sizes each morning.
Salad Bar is also available as an alternative option. Snack Bar items are sold individually.

REGULAR LUNCH - \$4 LARGE LUNCH - \$6 SALAD BAR - \$5

