



GOOD SHEPHERD  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

# WELCOME PACKET

2020 - 2021

“Learn, Love, Pray, and Serve”

## **Motto**

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## **Mission Statement**

Good Shepherd Catholic School guides children toward a life of prayer, service, and learning, while fostering academic excellence in a compassionate community, for the honor and glory of God.

**GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEBSITE:**

[www.goodshepherddenver.org](http://www.goodshepherddenver.org)

*Follow us on social media!*

<https://www.facebook.com/GoodShepherdDenver/>

<https://www.instagram.com/goodshepherddenver/>

**SYCAMORE (Parent/Student information portal):**

<https://www.sycamoreeducation.com>

(Password will be sent to all new families in June.)

**SCHOOL HOURS**

DOORS OPEN AT 7:45 A.M.

**Preschool - Grade 5** 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Preschool - Pre-K** 8:00 am - 11:30 am (1/2 day programs)

**Grades 6-8** 8:00 am - 3:10 pm

**"GS WEEKLY NEWS"**

Sent every Sunday via email and contains important communications from the school.

**GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH WEBSITE**

[www.goodshepherdchurchddenver.org](http://www.goodshepherdchurchddenver.org)

**GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH SERVICES**

**Weekend Masses**

Saturday at 4:00 pm

Sunday at 7:00 am, 8:30 am, 10:00 am, and 5:00 pm

Daily Mass 7:30 – 8:00 am

Holy Day Masses 7:45 am

Anticipatory Mass, 5:30 pm

**School Mass**

Fridays at 8:15 am. Liturgy Preparation rotates on a weekly basis by class. All Kindergarten through 8th grade students attend. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

If you are interested in volunteering as a Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Usher, RCIA sponsor, or Baptism Minister, please contact Sabrina at 303-322-7706. Hours spent serving in one or more of these positions at Church can be used to meet your volunteer hour expectation at school.

# School and Parish Contacts

## **Good Shepherd Catholic School**

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### **Principal**

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### **School Office Manager**

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### **Safety and Compliance Manager**

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### **Preschool Director**

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## **Good Shepherd Catholic Church**

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### **Director of Evangelization**

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## **EXTENDED CARE**

All registered Good Shepherd students are welcome. No reservations are necessary except for special classes.

**HOURS:** 6:45 - 7:45 am  
3:00 - 6:00 pm

**COST:** \$7.10/hour K-8  
\$7.50/hour PS & PK

If you have any questions, please email Extended Care Directors, Mrs. Veronica Gonzales [Veronica.Gonzales@goodshepherddenver.org](mailto:Veronica.Gonzales@goodshepherddenver.org) or Mr. Marcus Pouncy [Marcus.Pouncy@goodshepherddenver.org](mailto:Marcus.Pouncy@goodshepherddenver.org) or call (303) 261-1058.

## **ENRICHMENT PROGRAM**

Special after school classes will be offered for a separate fee. More information will be sent home when school resumes. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. John Allison at 303-321-6231.

## **SPORTS**

Good Shepherd Catholic School offers a variety of extra-curricular after school sports programs. Beginning in grades 3 and 4, boys and girls may play basketball, baseball, volleyball, futsal, flag football, and run cross-country. Teams are organized through the Catholic School Athletic League and the Good Shepherd Athletic Programs and are coached by parent or faculty volunteers. Look for sign-up information in the "GS Weekly New ". For questions or more information, please contact GS Athletic Director.

## **HOT LUNCH PROGRAM**

Good Shepherd offers a hot lunch program for \$4.50 per meal. The hot lunch menu is provided to parents via Sycamore, where online ordering is available. Your order will be charged to your FACTS account. If a child does not have a lunch, a sack lunch will be provided and your FACTS account will be charged. If you have any concerns or questions regarding the hot lunch program, please contact Ms. Denise Bouchillon at 303-261-1050.

### **MILK / JUICE**

Milk is not included in the hot lunch purchase price. Milk is \$30 for the year and can be purchased at the beginning of the year or at the beginning of each semester (August and January). Milk forms are in the front office from Ms. Marcella. Parents may also opt to pay an additional fee to include juice or water with their child(ren)'s hot lunch when they order hot lunches. Instructions and prices will be available in this mailer.

### **COLD LUNCH**

Parents are welcome to send a lunch from home with their child(ren). Please remember to include paper napkins and utensils with your child(ren)'s meal. Due to safety issues, microwaves are only available to middle school students.

## **GRIZZLY GEAR**

### ***The Bearly - Worn Uniform Store***

Good Shepherd has its own store providing top-quality, previously owned uniforms for boys and girls at bargain prices:

**\$3 polo and long sleeve shirts**  
**\$5 shorts, pants and sweatshirts**  
**\$15 plaid skirts and bib dresses**

WHERE? Up the main staircase and turn right - Storeroom #317. Please see school's front office for access.

\*\*\*All the money made from the Grizzly Gear Store goes into the school's Emergency Scholarship Fund to help families in need.\*\*\*

Donations, donations, donations! Please see the Front Office if you have items to donate.

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# Good Shepherd Parent Groups

## VOLUNTEER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES & HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Good Shepherd recognizes that parental support and participation helps to provide the best educational environment for our children and increase the family's knowledge and familiarity with the school, teachers and staff. With that in mind, Good Shepherd asks that each family volunteer 20 hours (10 hours for half-time preschool parents or single parents) to the school to help in one or more of the many volunteer opportunities available.

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### SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC)

Purpose: Members of the Advisory Council are appointed by the Pastor in consultation with the Principal to assist the Pastor and Principal in the educational mission of the Parish. Their focus includes the 5 year Strategic Planning Process as well as the yearly School Improvement Plan.

Meetings: Monthly  
Fundraisers: None

### PARENT/TEACHER ORGANIZATION (PTO)

Purpose: The PTO is a nonprofit parent-teacher organization whose membership includes our parents, legal guardians, faculty and staff at Good Shepherd Catholic School. The mission of the PTO is to support a collaborative relationship between our parents, faculty, administrators and the Good Shepherd community through the coordination of fundraising, educational outreach, and social activities.

Meetings: 8:15 a.m. every 3rd Tuesday of the month in the Parish Family Center (PFC)  
Fundraisers: Fall Festival (Oct.), Wreath/Poinsettia Sale (November / December), Scholastic Book Fair (February)

Where does the money go?  
Funds help support major classroom purchases, cultural events and social gatherings.

### ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

Purpose: The AC develops and oversees Good Shepherd's organized sports program. In addition to assisting the Principal and Athletic Director regarding the sports program, the AC is in charge of fundraising efforts for school athletes. The AC helps coordinate parental support for athletics through volunteer activities such as coaching and various social activities.

Meetings: First Tuesday of the month.

Fundraisers: Grizzly Gallop (October) and Celebrity Basketball Bash in the Gym (Spring)

Where does the money go?  
Examples include playground equipment, gymnasium maintenance, team uniforms, and other school capital improvements as needed.

### GOOD SHEPHERD FOUNDATION (GSF)

Purpose: The Foundation was set up by parents to raise money in order to provide salary bonuses to faculty and staff, as well as to help pay for continuing education and capital improvements.

Meetings: TBA

Fundraisers: Grizzly Gala (Spring)

Where does the money go?  
Faculty/ staff bonuses and continuing education.

# Uniform Policy

All uniform components must be purchased from Dennis Uniforms, except socks, shoes, and belts. Dennis Uniforms, 8600 Park Meadows Drive, 303-738-2255 [www.dennisuniform.com](http://www.dennisuniform.com). Gently used uniforms are available through our Grizzly Gear Store. Parents are encouraged to donate used uniforms. Proceeds go to the Emergency Scholarship Fund.

## PS and PK Guidelines

### Girls:

- Navy Jersey Polo Dress with School Logo
- Zip Up Cardigan

### Boys & Girls:

- Red Polo Shirt(short or long sleeve) with School Logo
- Navy Pull-Up Pants or Shorts
- Navy Quarter Zip Sweatshirt
- Red Cardigan

### Socks/Tights/Shoes

- Socks are to be plain white, blue, or black.
- Girls may also wear plain white, navy blue, or black tights.
- Tennis shoes

## Grades K-8 Guidelines

### Elementary Girls

- Red or white polo shirts or white blouses
- Lloyd Plaid jumpers, skirts, or skorts or navy blue shorts/slacks
- Plain brown, black, or blue belt
- White, blue, or black socks

### Elementary Boys

- Red or white polo shirts
- Navy blue shorts/slacks
- Plain brown, black or blue belt
- White, blue, or black socks

### Middle School Girls

- Navy blue or white polo shirts
- Lloyd Plaid skirts or skorts, or khaki pants/shorts
- Plain brown, black or blue belt
- White, blue or black socks



## Uniform Policy cont.

### Middle School Boys

- Navy blue or white polo shirts
- Khaki pants/shorts
- Plain brown, black or blue belt
- White, blue or black socks

### Note:

- Boy & Girls shorts can only be worn the 1st and 3rd trimesters.
- All red and navy blue polos bought new at Dennis Uniforms are required to have the Good Shepherd logo on it.