

WELCOME

TO **GRACE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

*IGNITE YOUR CHILD'S FULL
POTENTIAL BY CHOOSING GCS*





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GRACE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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Ask any member of the Grace Christian School family and they will gladly share with you the blessing it is to be part of a school community that equips children to become spiritually, academically, emotionally, physically, and socially mature.

With a 40-year school history, the Grace Christian School of today is vastly different from the GCS of “yesterday”. Throughout the past ten years, I have worked with my dedicated team to create a vibrant learning culture in a peaceful, nurturing atmosphere. At GCS, we do more than teach subjects to our students. We develop high capacity leaders, thinkers, and innovators for the future. Our learning environment is authentic and engaging, with a school culture that fosters mastery of learning, meaningful relationships, and global service.

Every student will spend more than 16,000 hours in school and will be influenced by peers, teachers, and curriculum. It is never too early, or too late, to consider investing in your child’s future and giving them the advantage of growing as Jesus did, in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man. (Luke 2:52)

As you consider your child’s future, it is our desire that you will take a closer look at Grace Christian School. We would be honoured to partner with you throughout your child’s educational journey. To arrange a tour or to acquire additional information about the school, please contact the school office at (902) 628-1668 office@gcspei.ca

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason Biech". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Jason Biech, M. Ed.
Head of School

STEAM



ATHLETICS



GLOBAL-MINDED

"OUR DIFFERENCES DO NOT DEFINE US; THEY HELP US GROW IN UNDERSTANDING OF ONE ANOTHER AND OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO WORK TOGETHER FOR THE GLORY OF GOD."

RELATIONSHIP BUILDERS

"WHETHER WE ARE SERVING IN OUR COMMUNITY, LEARNING IN OUR CLASSROOMS, OR PARTICIPATING IN ATHLETICS, WE ARE LEARNING MORE ABOUT ONE ANOTHER AND BUILDING LASTING RELATIONSHIPS."

VISUAL ARTS



PASSIONATE EDUCATORS



FAITH INFUSED



**EXPERIENCE
MORE
B E C O M E
MORE**

SERVICE



RELATIONSHIPS



GRIT

"WE ARE NOT AFRAID TO ACCEPT A CHALLENGE. WE DON'T QUIT, WE'VE GOT GRIT."

EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS



KNOWLEDGE SEEKERS

"WE ARE LEADERS OF TOMORROW. WE WANT KNOWLEDGE THAT WILL IMPACT OUR FAITH AND BRING POSITIVE CHANGE. THIS FUELS OUR PASSION FOR LEARNING AND MOTIVATES US TO EXCEL."

BAND



HIGH PERFORMANCE TRAINING



13

passionate educators

1

hour a day of dedicated physical activity

85%

average score of Primary Students on Canadian Achievement Tests

12

average class size

OUR

ELEMENTARY

IS...

2

years above grade level in reading

7

hours devoted to STEAM in a week

14

community outreach projects

Device-to-student ratio

1:1

COLLABORATIVE STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE
INNOVATIVE PROBLEM-SOLVERS

VIRTUOUS

RELATIONSHIP BUILDERS

GCS STUDENTS

SERVE OTHERS

HAVE GRIT

PREPARED FOR THE FUTURE

GLOBAL-MINDED KNOWLEDGE SEEKERS

PAST 75 GRADUATES

\$1,000,000+

Awarded in post-secondary scholarships & bursaries

17 Provincial Championship Titles

18

Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award Achievers

20 Champions*

*Grads who have attended GCS from K - 12

GRACE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ADMISSIONS TEAM

HEAD OF SCHOOL MR. JASON BIECH, M. ED.

DURING HIS TENURE, MR. BIECH HAS TRANSFORMED GCS INTO ONE OF THE MOST INNOVATIVE AND TECHNOLOGICALLY VIBRANT SCHOOLS IN EASTERN CANADA



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- K. SMITH, PARENT

"MY FAMILY HAS ALWAYS BEEN BIG SUPPORTERS OF GCS SO WHEN WE HAD KIDS IT SEEMED LIKE A GREAT OPTION. WHAT APPEALED TO ME MOST IS THE BIBLE-BASED CURRICULUM AND SMALL CLASS SIZES."

- V. KELLY, ALUMNI PARENT

"THE ELL PROGRAM AT GCS NOT ONLY PREPARED ME TO BECOME A WELL-ROUNDED ENGLISH LEARNER BUT ALSO PROVIDED OPPORTUNITIES TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH LOCAL STUDENTS AND TO BE CONFIDENT IN THE NEW ENVIRONMENT."

- G. KUANG, CLASS OF 2021



JUNIOR & SENIOR KINDERGARTEN

Our Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten programs lay the foundation for academic excellence and cultivate each child's independence in a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment that will foster your child's innate curiosity and develop a deep love for learning.



JK and K students attend class **5 days per week**, with half-day options available to JK students.



The average JK class includes **10 students**, with an average class size of **15 students** in our K class.



Enriched Learning in phonics-based reading, mathematics, Christian ethics, science, social studies, coding & engineering, art, music, physical education, french, library

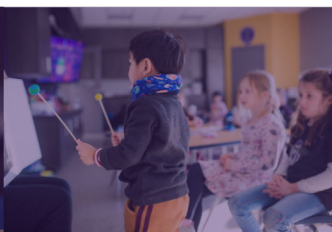


After-school care program available for students in JK - Grade 6



Students who turn **4 years old by Dec. 31** of the current school year are eligible to attend JK

Students who complete our Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten programs will be well prepared to continue their educational journey in the high-calibre programs offered by Grace Christian School.



ELEMENTARY

Open the doors to any elementary learning studio at Grace Christian School and you will discover students flourishing as they actively engage in inquiry work within a safe and nurturing learning environment built on mutual respect and acceptance.

Small class sizes and **dynamic student-faculty relationships** that ensure each child is supported and challenged



Cooperative project-based learning that requires students to work together and apply knowledge from multiple disciplines



Access to innovative technology, including **Chromebooks for all elementary students**, allows for enriched learning opportunities



Enriched Learning in Language Arts, Mathematics, Christian Ethics, Science, Social Studies, Coding & Engineering, Art, Music, Physical Education, French, Library & Genius Hour



Opportunities to **participate in numerous extracurriculars** without having to leave the premises (cheer, athletics, robotics, art class)



You can expect to see students **reading, questioning, analyzing, and creating products based on compelling questions and topics that promote the highest level of engagement and excitement for elementary-aged children.**



JUNIOR HIGH

GCS encourages junior high students on their quest for growth, allowing them to gain their desired independence and fostering confidence within a safe and vibrant learning environment.

Engagement
in over 8
courses

communication
skills

a focus on
critical
thinking

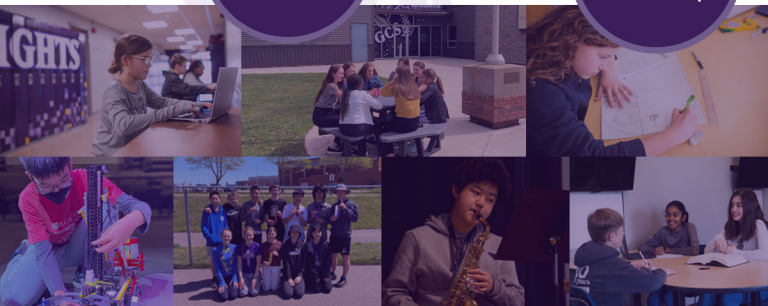
hands-on,
project-based
learning

collaboration
with others

active
service in
their
community

fostering of
meaningful
relationships

what to expect in
JUNIOR HIGH



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

DUKE OF E

JAZZ BAND

FINE/DIGITAL ART

PEISAA SPORTS

LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

ENGINEERING/ROBOTICS

CULINARY SKILLS

HIGH SCHOOL

As students enter their final years of secondary school, they are given a learning environment that allows them to flourish as they prepare for the next stage in their educational journey.

WHAT TO EXPECT IN HIGH SCHOOL

Provincially Certified
Private School

University Preparatory
High School Courses

Advanced Placement (AP)
Certified School

Over 40 High School
Course Options

Recruitment by
Top Universities

Global Educational
Excursions



**BEYOND THE
CLASSROOM**

High school provides opportunities in which every student is known, celebrated, and encouraged to discover and develop their innate, God-given gifts in an environment that teaches Christ-centred values.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM

EXPERIENCE MORE. BECOME MORE.

Grace Christian School's premier International Studies program not only supplies our international students with the **most intense and individualized English Second Language program on Prince Edward Island**, it also enhances their educational experience with cultural integration and spiritual formation that will open doors to Canada and beyond.

Your path to a brighter future begins at GCS!



what to expect in the ELL PROGRAM



Accommodated & modified classes for academic success

One-on-one support from certified ESL instructors

5 hours of weekly, small group instruction in one of four levels of ESL training

Daily vocabulary building, pronunciation practice, reading comprehension & written language exercise

Language immersion in specialty content area classes

IELTS test preparation

Tutoring & support program

35 hours of community service per year

College admissions consultations and counselling

Scholarship opportunities for English Language Learners

APPLY NOW

IT'S WORTH YOUR INVESTMENT

Students must apply to attend GCS

The admissions process is designed to ensure that:

- GCS can meet the needs of the applicant and help him/her achieve his/her goals; and
- The student is suited to the learning and social environment of GCS

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AGE (PEI School Act) REQUIREMENTS

Junior Kindergarten: Four years of age on or before December 31 of the current school year.

Kindergarten: Five years of age on or before December 31 of the current school year.

Grade One: Six years of age on or before December 31 of the current school year



Scan Me
to apply

An aerial photograph of the Grace Christian School campus, featuring several large, modern buildings and a playground area. The image is overlaid with a semi-transparent purple filter. The text is centered on the left side of the image.

With over **40 years** of experience, Grace Christian School has built a solid reputation in the Island's educational landscape.

We would be honoured to **partner with you in your child's educational journey**