



Gloucester Catholic Junior Senior High School

Knowledge † Faith † Loyalty

Mission Statement

Gloucester Catholic empowers young men and women to become faithful citizens and to develop in all aspects of life: spiritual, intellectual, moral, emotional, social and physical. Our goal is that our graduates continue their education and carry with them a guide for Catholic Christian living: vibrant faith, respect for human dignity, strong belief in the values of family, promotion of justice, service to community and country, and the desire to make a positive difference in society. Gloucester Catholic is enriched by a legacy of Catholic tradition spanning four generations. We draw strength and inspiration from our past as we make an exceptional Catholic education available and accessible to our future leaders.



Your Success Starts Here!

Thank you for your interest in Gloucester Catholic Junior Senior High School!

We hope to have the opportunity to welcome your family as part of our community and to nurture and challenge your child as they embark on the best four years of their life.

Gloucester Catholic Junior Senior High School is a Catholic, co-educational high school rooted in a tradition of academic excellence with a focus on developing boys and girls into the leaders of tomorrow.

For more than 90 years, Gloucester Catholic has been producing compassionate young men and women marked by a genuine commitment to the service of others. At Gloucester Catholic your child will learn, laugh, grow, and serve as a unique member of our faith-filled community. Our extraordinary educators connect with and mentor each student, providing powerful learning experiences.

Complementing this commitment to academic excellence is the rich variety of extra-curricular opportunities available at GCHS. More than 90% of our students are involved in a variety of activities from cultural clubs to plays to athletics. Perhaps most significantly, every year our students give back to their communities through hundreds of hours of Christian Service.

Gloucester Catholic is the perfect environment for students to begin preparation for their life's journey – and we welcome you to our family!



Knowledge



Academic Excellence Prepares Students for Life's Challenges

At Gloucester Catholic, academic life is structured to prepare students with vibrant intellect to enter the colleges and universities most suited to their interests and talents. Education should be more than acquisition of facts, and the primary focus should be on training the intellect as fully as possible. To that end, we adhere to rigorous academic requirements. Our curriculum is designed to develop each student's ability to write well, think logically, and make informed decisions. At Gloucester Catholic, through a premier partnership with Rowan College at Gloucester County, students have access to more than 60 elective courses through RCGC, which satisfies both high school graduation requirements and may be applied toward a college degree.

"The teachers at Gloucester Catholic instilled a strong academic work ethic. They also recognized the importance of balancing academics with other activities such as sports and clubs. The curriculum was thorough and provided the foundation for college placement."

George J. Batavick '66

B.S. St. Joseph's University

Comptroller & Chief Accounting Officer

At Fortune 25 Texaco, Inc.

Board Member: Financial Accounting Standards Board

Faith

Our Catholic Identity Allows Us to Serve Others

Catholic Identity is integral to the heart and soul of Gloucester Catholic High School, helping students to form faith-filled lives and motivating a genuine desire to serve others. Throughout our students' four years, starting with freshman orientation and culminating with the Kairos Retreat experience, students are encouraged to discover themselves and cultivate their relationships with God.

Service to others is built into the Catholic approach to education and is part of every student's experience. We believe that we give when we participate in service projects, and we receive as well. We learn about the nature of God, about others, and about the world in which we live.

"My parents wanted their children to have a high school education rich in academics and faith. Gloucester Catholic provided this and so much more!"

Lisa Gedaka '84

B.S.N. Villanova University

Home Care Nurse, Case Manager

Holy Redeemer Home Care and Hospice

Member, Big 5 Basketball Hall of Fame



Loyalty



Remaining Devoted to God, School and Each Other

Gloucester Catholic students remain loyal to God, their school, and one another. Once a Ram, Always a Ram! Many of our notable alumni hold prominent positions in the arts, athletics, education, politics, and health care professions.

GC alumni are known all around the world, and include many recognizable individuals such as: Dr. Patrick Harker '77, President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia; Bernadette McGlade '76, Commissioner of the Atlantic 10 Conference; Dr. William Peranteau '93, attending surgeon at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia; Johnny Gaudreau '11, NHL All-Star with the Calgary Flames; and Bob Wright '90, Managing Director at Bank of America Merrill Lynch.



"Gloucester Catholic, and in particular my teacher, Fred Webb, built the foundation that would serve me my entire life. Mr. Webb and my time at GC instilled pride, a work ethic, and determination to reach the highest level of success that could be available to me if I worked hard toward my goals."

Patrick J. Peyton '77

B.S. Regis University

Founder, The Peyton Group (a private equity holding company)

Student Testimonials

“Gloucester Catholic is truly something you cannot put into words. It is something you have to experience, and my classmates and teachers have given me the experience of a lifetime. The Gloucester Catholic family has been my favorite hello these past four years and will be my hardest goodbye.”

Laura Blaston '18
Villanova University '22

“During my schooling here, my amazing teachers and classmates supported and helped facilitate my work ethic...I persevered with the gracious assistance, overwhelming encouragement, and direct inspiration from my Gloucester Catholic family.”

Patrick Glennan '18
University of Pennsylvania '22

“I traveled across the world to become a Ram! My four years of Catholic teaching at Gloucester Catholic have totally changed me inside and out...Cherish the connections that you will make at Gloucester Catholic! Serve and be committed to your community.”

Yunshen Li '18
China



"I am a Ram because I know that being a part of and receiving my education at Gloucester Catholic will benefit my future. I feel that Gloucester Catholic will help me choose my future path for the better. Attending GC will help me see things more clearly and help me understand things that I couldn't before. I am a Ram now and I will forever be one!"

*Ananda Earlie '21
Camden*



“Gloucester Catholic offers amazing opportunities for academic scholarships as well as an amazing curriculum – with phenomenal teachers as well! From my time here at Gloucester Catholic, I hope to use the strong foundation of knowledge, faith and loyalty that I receive in the classroom and apply it in my everyday life.”

*Mary Pearson '21
Gloucester City*



Once a Ram, *Always a Ram*

Gloucester Catholic believes that the values inherent in its mission, together with the efforts and achievements of our administration, faculty, staff, and student body, will produce a certain type of student upon graduation.

It is our goal that each student who graduates from Gloucester Catholic will:

Be a Good Christian

Be a reflective person who will make informed decisions using critical thinking and sound moral judgments

Be a person with a strong sense of personal responsibility and self-reliance

Be actively involved in his/her community, as well as the world at large, through service to others

Be able to accept diversity among people

Be able to effectively communicate

Be prepared to be a life-long learner, eager to continue his/her education

Be someone who continues the Gloucester Catholic family tradition of Knowledge, Faith and Loyalty

Value his/her academic accomplishments



Ram Pride: *Service*



Building Character Through Christian Service

Community service is an integral part of the Gloucester Catholic culture! Our students build character and re-affirm their faith through hundreds of hours of Christian Service undertaken throughout each school year.

You will find our young Rams serving in a variety of community settings, including the collection of donations for the Thanksgiving Food Drive and toys and clothing for the Toys for Tots Christmas Drive. Our students also volunteer at such places as Saint John of God School, Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center, the Cathedral Kitchen, and The Catholic School Partnership Program of Camden.

Ram Pride: *Athletics*



Building Character Through Athletic Competition

At Gloucester Catholic High School athletic tradition has long been committed to excellence both on and off the playing field. Educating the whole person translates into student-athletes exercising all dimensions – body, mind and spirit.

In 2015, Gloucester Catholic opened the Patrick Peyton Athletic Complex in Sewell, NJ, marking the first time in school history that Ram athletes have enjoyed home field advantage against South Jersey competition. Thanks to the generosity of Patrick Peyton '77 and additional lead donors, Ram athletes have since continued the school's long legacy of excellence in sports on our own home playing fields!

Gloucester Catholic Junior High School

Educating students in Grades 7 and 8

Gloucester Catholic Junior High School was established in Fall 2011 to provide an alternative for those students who desire a Catholic education at the junior high level. The Gloucester Catholic Junior High School campus includes the former St. Mary School building, which serves as home for junior high classes. Seventh and eighth grade students experience an education in the Gloucester Catholic tradition of excellence in an environment that promotes and encourages all aspects of student development.

The junior high is the perfect place to help students learn while making the important transition to their high school years. The curriculum of the Diocese of Camden is followed and enhanced by numerous special activities that showcase the students' talents. Students participate in The Catholic Daughters of America Educational Contest, the Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee, and the Annual Teen Arts Festival to name a few. Service is also promoted through participation in directed activities.

Students are encouraged to participate in the annual Spring Show; to join the choir; to volunteer as altar servers, lectors, or gift bearers as members of the Liturgy Club; and to contribute to the school newspaper. Gloucester Catholic Junior High also offers students an opportunity to participate on athletic teams, class trips and additional social activities throughout the school year.

By the time of their eighth grade graduation, students will have received a well-rounded Catholic education and are ready to begin their important high school years.



Parent Testimonials

“Our three children Ciara, Will and Emily are current students at GCHS. We met Mr. Flynn at the first Open House. We were shocked when we saw him months later and he remembered our names. We knew this was the place. Gloucester Catholic has a family feel which makes it like their second home. We are so proud of the accomplishments they are making during their junior high and high school years. The financial sacrifices we make are well worth it for the faith, education and happiness that is included in the GCHS package. From the Kairos Retreat, leadership retreats and school liturgies to the Bleacher Creatures and everything in between, the students feel they belong. As a parent, this is something you aspire for your children. Gloucester Catholic has paved a path for success in our children’s future and for that we are truly grateful.”

Greg and Heather Mondel P’19 P’21

“My daughter, Haley ‘17, is currently a sophomore at Loyola University MD, on a full academic scholarship; my son, Travis ‘19, is a currently a senior, plays three varsity sports, serves as a Kairos Leader and is VP of the National Honor Society. My children have succeeded in the classroom, playing fields, and in life, thanks to the challenging, yet nurturing, environment at GC. They’ve had teachers who’ve done more than just teach, and made friends who are like family. As multi-sport athletes and honor students, GC gave them the confidence and support to push themselves to achieve their goals.”

Gina Finley ’82 P’17, P’19

“We are a GC Family because we wanted a smaller school setting where everyone would know our kids versus just being a number somewhere. An education where you are happy, thriving, and learning is worth the money. The fact that it’s a Catholic education is a plus.”

Jean and James Liscio

P James ’12, P Nicholas ’13, P Michael ’15, P Joseph ’17, P Christopher ’20







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