

GreatHearts

Irving



Open Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year is November 1 through November 30. Visit GreatHeartsAmerica.org/Enroll to apply!

Current GHI parents - you do not need to re-apply for your currently enrolled GHI students at this time -- re-enrollment will take place in the spring. All students new to GHI in the 2019-2020 school year, including rising Kindergartners and other siblings not attending GHI, need to apply during Open Enrollment. Please share this information with friends interested in attending GHI!

Upcoming Events to Remember

- Window into Wonder Tours
 - Wednesday, October 31st

- November 1st - 30th **Open Enrollment!**
- Friday, November 2nd - 8:00am - 9:00am - Coffee with the Headmaster please see details below
- November 4th at 5:00pm - RBR Orchestra Recital
- November 5th - 7th Grandparents Week
- Thursday, November 8th - 7:00pm - 8:00pm - Upper School Evening with the Classics
- Saturday, November 10th from 1:00pm to 4:00pm - Fall Festival



Halloween

We appreciate that families enjoy different traditions during this time of year. Nevertheless, we ask that families help us to keep the school's attention focused by refraining from sending students with costumes, candy, or other Halloween items.



On November 5th, 6th and 7th, from 8:30am - 9:30am, Great Hearts will be hosting Grandparent's Week!

Grandparents, we welcome you to visit our campus and get a glimpse of your grandchild's school day. We are delighted to provide additional assistance you may need, so please let us know if there is anything we can do to make your visit more comfortable. We look forward to sharing our school experience with

you.

To RSVP, click [here](#) by **November 1st**, and select the date you would like to attend. You may also call **(469) 759-3030 ext 132131** to **RSVP** for this event. As space is limited, we ask that you only attend one day.

If you would like a formal invitation sent to your child's grandparent(s), please email mary.hanys@greatheartsirving.org with their names and addresses.

Picture Retake Day - CANCELED

The November 7th Picture Retake Day has been canceled. More information regarding the Spring pictures will come after the Winter Holiday. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to our Office Manager, Ms. Pam Bergez at pamela.bergez@greatheartsirving.org

Coffee with the Headmaster

Dear Seventh Grade and Kindergarten Parents,

We hope that you will join us for Coffee with the Headmaster. There isn't a specific agenda for this event- more than anything else, it is an opportunity for us to connect about whatever is most important from your perspective. We feel deeply fortunate to enjoy the community around Great Hearts Irving, and hope that you can join your fellow parents Friday 11/2 at 8:00 AM. The Kindergarten parents will meet with Ms. Perkins, and the 7th Grade parents will meet with Mr. Althage. You're welcome to drop by for a cup of coffee and leave, or join us for a lengthier discussion as your schedules permit.



Warm regards,

Tami Perkins - Headmaster, Lower School

Philip Althage - Headmaster, Upper School

Fall Festival

Mark your calendars! Great Hearts Fall Festival

will be held on Saturday, November 10th from 1:00pm - 4:00pm here on campus. We look forward to sharing this day of fun with our scholars and their families.



Children (and adults!) are welcome to come dressed as their favorite literary character; it can be from one of the Classics to Keep titles or other selections such as a classroom read-aloud book, a book from a classroom library, or a book or work studied or referenced in the curriculum. If you have a question about a costume, please let Eva Klassen know and she will get you an answer!

There will be a Photo Booth, Games and Activities Booths, Bingo, Face Painting, Cupcake Walk, Inflatables, Concessions, Music and Dancing, and more!

Admission will be paid upon entering the event. Cost is \$5/person with a \$25 family maximum (children 2 and under are free). Admission includes most games, activities and events. Concessions and any paid activities can be purchased separately. All proceeds will go to the PSO operating budget which supports teacher appreciation activities and hospitality at school events.

If you are interested in helping, please email Eva Klassen at ps@greatheartsirving.org.

PSO Information

Upcoming dates:

- November 10th from 1:00pm - 4:00pm - Fall Festival

We are looking forward to seeing you all at the Fall Festival on November 10 from 1:00-4:00. You should have already heard from your RPL's concerning each classes contributions. It is going to be a great time!



THIS Thursday, November 1, at 8:15 will be the November PSO Workshop. If you need any help with your Fall Festival booth, or have any Fall Festival related questions, please come and we will all help out!

We are also looking forward to seeing the **RPLs** for a little check-in and coffee before the Workshop. We will see the RPLs all at 7:45 in the Lower School Art Room.

It's not too late to place a Spirit Store order and get it in November. And not too soon to start Christmas shopping! Orders placed by the 1st of the month will be

delivered by the 15th of the same month. Find all the best Great Hearts jackets, hoodies and even House Shirts in the Spirit Store [here](#).

As always, feel free to email PSO anytime at psa@greatheartssirving.org.

Help Market GHI - Get a Yard Sign!

Did you know? 60% of new GH families heard about Great Hearts from one of you! With that in mind, would you be willing to place a marketing sign in the yard of your residence or business from November 1 - November 30? The yard signs will be available for pickup at the front desk beginning October 29 - November 2. We would like the signs to be placed in various neighborhoods and where there is high visibility. The limited quantity of signs will be available on a first come, first served basis. We ask that you please return the yard signs to the school during the first week of December, so we can reuse them for future enrollment events. For a glimpse at what the sign will look like, click [here!](#)

Upper School Evening with the Classics

Upper School parents:

Please join us on campus from 7:00-8:00pm on 11/8 for an *Evening with the Classics*. The discussion will center on the theme of **Student Culture: Peace and Joy**. You'll hear about the environment we strive to cultivate in the classroom, the ways we have for students to engage with each other, and some of the means that parents can employ to help strengthen this culture. This event is not designed for student attendance, so please coordinate childcare accordingly.

Window into Wonder Tour

Mr. Althage and Mrs. Perkins will host a Window Into Wonder Tour. This is a great opportunity to get a glimpse into the sense of wonder our scholars experience each day in our classrooms.



Our next tours will be hosted on Wednesday, **October 31st**

Lower School tour is **FULL** but we will be hosting another tour in the very near future!

Upper School tour will be hosted from **2:00pm - 2:40pm** sign up [here](#).

Great Hearts Orchestra

Please click [here](#) for details about the November 4th RBR Classical Strings Orchestra Recital at Carpenter Hall, featuring members of our very own scholars



Great Hearts Athletics

Congratulations to all Cross Country runners who competed at the State Meet over the weekend. We had 4 runners run as individuals and one team run as a team. Our Middle School girls team took 5th place overall!



Looking ahead, our Middle School A Volleyball and our High School JV Volleyball girls have their regional tournament games later this week. Please see the schedule [here](#) for more details.

Upper School Basketball Season begins November 5th

Middle School interest meetings are this week. Any middle school athletes who are interested should go to the following meetings:

Middle School Boys - Tuesday, October 30th 3:15-3:30, Courtyard

Middle School Girls - Wednesday, October 31st 3:15-3:30, Courtyard

More Information on Basketball season can be found [here](#).

Athenaeum Sneak Peek

Dear Great Hearts Families,

We are excited to announce that we are going to offer a "Sneak Peek" of Athenaeum Monday and Tuesday, November 12th and 13th. These two days will be free of charge but do require registration. Space is limited and is on a first come, first serve basis.



If you are interested having your child(ren) participate in this Sneak Peek day for Athenaeum, you will need to contact Lindsey Diaz-Gonzalez at Programs@GreatHeartsTX.org to obtain a registration packet. You will then return it to her upon completion.

We are looking forward to this!

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