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Dear Friends of GPLHS,

I'm excited! I'm eager to hear what you think of this approach to generating support for a mission and school we dearly love.

Over the years we have had an annual event on campus at GPL – formerly Fall Festival, and more recently Panther Palooza – designed to generate added and needed support for our students and programs. This year, GPL's 30th year, we are trying something different.

We are planning five regional donor dinners.

These dinners will be held in the following locations:

- October 5, 2025 Mobridge, SD
- October 12, 2025 Sioux Falls, SD
- October 26, 2025 Watertown, SD
- November 2, 2025 Rapid City, SD
- November 16, 2025 Aberdeen, SD

We hope this regional dinner approach will give many more people the opportunity to participate in person and help us connect more personally with donors near and far.

Each event will begin at 4:00PM and will include:

- An informative and inspirational presentation including comments from our President, Director of Mission Advancement, and current GPL students
- Entertainment provided by GPL students
- Dinner prepared and served by GPL staff and students
- A silent auction including several themed gift baskets and desserts for the evening
- An opportunity to give and pledge support for the Active Ministry of GPLHS
- Fellowship with others with a passion for Christian education

Attendance at these regional dinners is by RSVP. Choose the date and location that works best for you and register your attendance using one of the options outlined below.

We have much for which to be thankful, much to celebrate, and much work to do!

Please join us as we thank the Lord and celebrate how richly God has blessed us in Christ through 30 years of ministry at GPLHS, and as we consider how each of us can best support our mission of nurturing students as lifelong disciples of Christ.

As I said, I'm excited! I think these donor dinners will be a great opportunity to praise God, to show our appreciation for you, and to consider how we can work together through GPL's 30th year and beyond.

Please join us at the donor dinner that works best for you.

By God's Grace – Alive with Christ,

David Maertz

Rev. David Maertz
GPLHS President



To RSVP:

- 1) Choose the date and location that works best for you
- 2) RSVP at least two weeks before the event

Complete the online registration form (QR Code)

or

Call Sarah at 605-886-0672



- 3) Event details (location, directions, details, etc.) will be shared after we receive participant registrations.

P.S. Because this is a new venture off campus, we do not have plans to provide childcare.

P.P.S. Mark your calendars. We are planning a special day of thanksgiving and celebration for 30 years of God's grace on Saturday, July 18, 2026. Watch for more details in the months ahead!