


Charting the Course ... Living the Values ... Inspiring Others



*gmc's
promise:* 

The Campaign for Georgia Military Deep School

GEORGIA MILITARY COLLEGE FOUNDATION



a place of inspiration
where dreams are
transformed into visions
and where visions
become reality



MG PETER J. BOYLAN

Georgia Military College continues its tradition of educating young men and women in an environment that combines academic achievement with personal excellence. Our faculty and staff are enthusiastic supporters of our approach to education, but there is a need to provide them the tools required to accomplish that mission. Jenkins Hall, which currently houses grades six through eight, was constructed in 1926 and is inadequate to support present day educational needs. As example, the average classroom size is less than 500 square feet in a day when 900 square feet is considered the norm. The building is out of code, maintenance requirements are considerable, and installing technology to support teaching requirements presents an expensive challenge. Thus, the creation of a new prep school has become a necessity.

The faculty, staff, and administration have spent many hours with the architect to design a building that addresses the needs of a modern education as well as providing an environment that is in keeping with our mission of instilling virtue. This new 78,575 square foot building is being designed to last a century. It will be located on the capital square and will, therefore, have a Gothic exterior design that will be consistent with the Old Capitol Building. The thirty-six classrooms and laboratories will be amply sized for both high school and middle school students and will possess the most modern technology available. It will include a health clinic, faculty work spaces, conference rooms, music rooms, and will accommodate our Junior ROTC program needs.

Creating a building that provides all of these capabilities will be expensive...but then, anything worthwhile always has an attendant cost. To that end, we are honored that one of our alumni has provided the lead gift of \$1,000,000 to assist the institution in ensuring that this building supports our mission in the best possible way. In addition to his generous gift, former Secretary of Labor, W.J. Usery, GMC Class of '40, has agreed to serve as honorary chairman of a capital campaign that offers numerous opportunities for alumni and friends to participate.

The end product of this effort will be a magnificent testament to an institution that continues to produce leaders for our nation. I hope that you will join us.

Sincerely,

MG Peter J. Boylan

A Message from the President

A Message from the Honorary Chair

Dear Alumni and Friends:
Georgia Military College has held and will always hold a very special place in my heart. I sincerely believe that you feel the same way, and that is why I am writing to you today. I have been asked to serve as honorary chairman of GMC's capital campaign to complete and dedicate the new Prep School building by July 2010. As honorary chairman, I solicit your support and help in this important undertaking.

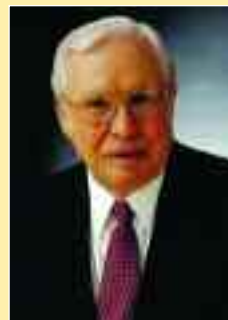
Throughout my life, I have always considered myself extremely fortunate that despite the deprivations of the Great Depression, I was able to attend this fine educational institution, Georgia Military College. No single earthly experience has so profoundly influenced me as did the years I spent absorbing the knowledge, discipline, structure, and integrity that GMC offered. The watchwords, "duty, honor, country," have guided me at every turn, whether during my Navy service in the South Pacific in World War II or, decades later, when I served as a cabinet officer and advisor to several presidents of the United States. Along with family and faith, these principles have formed the foundation for a meaningful life.

I have also come to realize that the great GMC legacy must be preserved and extended far into the future. Among the things America needs at this critical time in its history, probably the most important is to be able to call on future generations who will put "duty, honor, and country" first, and will possess the character, intellect, integrity, and leadership skills that only an institution like GMC provides.

It is with this objective, and with a sense of deep humility and gratitude for the impact GMC has had on my life, that I have made a significant personal financial commitment toward the construction of the new Prep School building. It is my fondest hope and expectation that this gift will help many more students benefit from the GMC experience in much the same way that I have.

GMC has made, and continues to make, great progress under the exceptional leadership of General Peter Boylan. He has truly turned the institution around and moved it into a most secure and promising future. The new Prep School building is an essential part of that future. I strongly encourage you to lend your own support, and enable Georgia Military College to continue its crucial mission of developing and educating the kind of leaders that America will need as the 21st century unfolds.

With your help and support, our goal is easily within reach. My very best wishes to you.



W. J. USERY, JR.

Sincerely,

W. J. Usery, Jr.

The mission of Georgia Military College is based on a promise – a promise that focuses on serving our students by providing a high-quality education that not only develops intellect but elevates character. The result is an educational experience that changes lives.

From our vantage point, we see thousands of alumni who have benefited from their time at GMC, many of whom are graduates of GMC High School, now GMC Prep. We see proud, accomplished men and women who possess the potential to make a difference in society and have learned the value of serving others.

We are committed to renewing GMC's promise of a high-quality education to our prep school students by providing an attractive, modern facility and building endowments that will benefit future generations through scholarships, technology, and faculty development.

You can play a significant role in helping us fulfill the GMC promise for present and future students. Please consider our appeal, realizing the impact that GMC already has had on lives. Then join us in generously supporting this vitally important endeavor.

Campaign Committee's Message



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*G*eorgia Military College has embraced the many who have entered its gates since 1879, shaping their mind and their character for achieving their personal best and living a full, productive life.

The achievements of Georgia Military College's last decade owe a great debt to the sacrifice and struggle of all GMC generations. It has been a long journey from 1879 to today. But, every new student or tenured professor or brick or book is a step into the future, and an advance toward the victory of significant distinction.

charting the course

*W*e are proud of our distinguished past.
And we are proud of our present.

We continue to touch lives, day in and day out. We believe we are one of the premier institutions of our kind in the nation. We have established an extraordinary record of service and are unrelenting in our commitment and dedication to the education of young people. We prepare them for excellence in leadership...in citizenship...in their careers... and, most importantly, in achieving their dream of a happy, productive life.

GMC Prep School is a place where bright, eager, energetic and motivated students and teachers work together to do amazing things in and out of the classroom. Whether working with DNA samples in the lab or playing a baseball game on Craig Field, faculty and students share an enthusiasm and a love of learning.





GEORGIA MILITARY PREP SCHOOL NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

FIRST FLOOR - HIGH SCHOOL

- 8 classrooms @ \$5,000 each
- 1 conference room @ \$10,000
- 1 computer lab @ \$30,000
- 1 lecture room @ \$10,000
- 1 clinic @ \$50,000
- 2 offices @ \$1,500 each
- 1 faculty lounge/workroom @ \$3,000

SECOND FLOOR – HIGH SCHOOL

- 8 classrooms @ \$5,000 each
- 1 chemistry lab @ \$30,000
- 1 biology lab @ \$30,000
- 2 offices @ \$1,500 each
- 1 music suite @ \$30,000
- 1 faculty lounge/workroom @ \$3,000
- Administrative Area:*
- 1 principal's office @ \$3,000
- 1 vice principal's office @ \$2,500
- 2 secretaries' offices @ \$1,500 each
- 1 student waiting area @ \$2,000

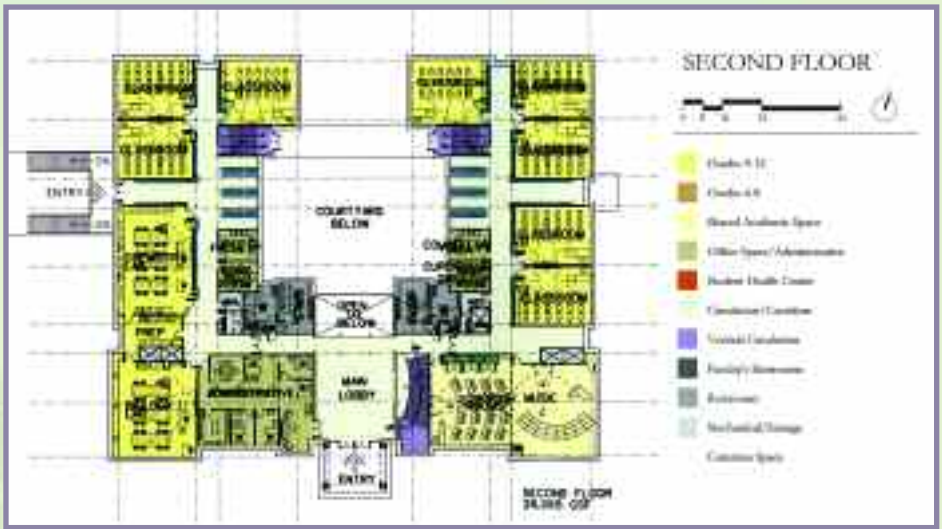
THIRD FLOOR – MIDDLE SCHOOL

- 10 classrooms @ \$5,000 each
- 1 biology lab @ \$30,000
- 1 computer lab @ \$30,000
- 2 offices @ \$1,500 each
- 1 multipurpose classroom @ \$7,500
- 1 faculty lounge/workroom @ \$3,000

PHASE II: NAMED ENDOWMENT FUNDS

(\$25,000 minimum)

- Scholarships
- Technology
- Choral Performance
- Faculty Development



For greater detail on floor plans, please refer to the GMC Foundation website at www.gmcfoundation.org.

CAMPAIGN PRIORITIES

I. STRENGTHENING THE CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT: SPONSORSHIP OF NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

Individuals who sponsor naming opportunities will assist in providing an attractive, modern facility which will be a place of inspiration where students' dreams are transformed into visions and their visions, into the reality of a successful, productive future. The support of those who believe in the importance of providing principled, moral education to our youth will make all of the difference in fulfilling this noble mission.

II. EXPANDING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES: ESTABLISHMENT OF ENDOWMENTS

- **Student Scholarships**

Georgia Military College defines itself by its ability to provide students with the skills they need to succeed, all built on a foundation that emphasizes moral integrity, personal responsibility, and service to the community. Scholarships are often the only means by which many of these future success stories can attain the high-quality education they deserve and that Georgia Military Prep School provides. The cost of attending should not hinder deserving young people from accomplishing their life's goal.

- **Technology**

Both students and faculty members in the twenty-first century depend on technology for research, communication, and classroom work. Georgia Military Prep School must continuously upgrade its technology to keep pace with classroom demands and student needs.

- **Choral Performance**

Musical performance, among the highest and best avenues for revealing human emotion, provides an outlet for artistic expression and achievement. Instruction in music will be enhanced through endowments that help provide musical selections and meet other needs associated with creating an inspiring environment for learning.

- **Faculty Development**

The school is compelled by its mission to understand how students learn and to develop specialized learning strategies to help them succeed. Fortunately, GMC Prep's size makes it possible to create a learning environment that addresses individual student needs. However, faculty must continue to address various learning styles and learn effective strategies for helping students overcome obstacles and learning difficulties. Learner-centered faculty development will ensure that GMC Prep students have the best possible chance for success.

Endowments, established with a gift of at least \$25,000, may be funded through outright gifts and/or pledges over a period of three to five years or planned gift arrangements to include bequests, life insurance, trusts, and other types of deferred gift vehicles.

Such gifts to the GMC Foundation often yield considerable tax benefits to the donor. Individuals are encouraged to consult their personal financial advisors regarding these opportunities.

The new Prep School Building will support the growing needs of students enrolled in Georgia Military College's sixth through twelfth grade school curriculums. This state-of-the-art learning facility represents the next step in implementing the college's Campus Master Plan and will provide the additional classroom space needed to achieve the Prep School's strategic goals.

The three-story, 78,575 square foot facility, in a style, proportion, and character to match the existing Academic Complex and the restored Old Capitol Building, will centralize the Prep School program, which is currently utilizing academic spaces in five buildings across the GMC campus.

In addition to increasing the total number of instructional spaces, the new building will help to promote unity within the Prep School program and will provide increased opportunities for peer-to-peer learning and mentoring. Just as importantly, the proposed facility will replace outdated facilities with technology-based instructional space consistent with current pedagogy and today's students' needs.





There's no such thing as a typical day at GMC Prep. There's nothing commonplace about the learning that goes on here. What would be considered exceptions in many schools simply make up an ordinary day here. That's the wonder of it all: That within the walls of a facility that has served its students long beyond the time it was built for, dedicated staff members are doing extraordinary things and igniting in all who walk through its doors a newfound curiosity and passion for learning about the world around them. One can only be compelled to envision this kind of excellence in instruction within the walls of an aesthetically pleasing new building containing state-of-the-art technology and furnishings...the conducive environment our students need and deserve.

living the values

Every day we are reminded that we are building an institution that will last long beyond the days that our individual footsteps mark these paths. Indeed, we are building an institution that, as with all great educational institutions, is designed to serve not just the moment, but the ages.

It is to the future that we look for our greatest achievements. What we envision is beyond anything of the past. We anticipate a great tomorrow of incalculable service to our community, state, and nation...and lasting impact upon lives. That is why the new Georgia Military Prep School is so important. It will provide a place of inspiration where dreams are transformed into visions and where visions become reality. Students shall find wisdom here. In steel and stone, in character and thought, they shall find beauty, adventure, and moments of high victory.





Our mission in values calls us to be first and foremost an institution of character development. We stand firm in this mission. The institution holds fast to its founding commitment to integrate development of character and development of the intellect. As we press forward with the campaign for GMC Prep School, we recognize that GMC has yet to achieve its greatest potential. Achieving such a lofty goal is certainly within our reach, but it will require the continued support of those who believe in the importance of providing principled, moral education to our youth.

It is our students to whom we have the most urgent responsibility. Although our future will soon be in their hands, their preparation for the future is now in ours. To them we will entrust the reigns of government, the management of our businesses, the education of future generations of children, and the leadership of our global society.

What they are taught, and how they are taught, is of infinite importance. And, yes, where they are taught can infinitely influence their desire to learn and the individual accomplishments that result.

inspiring others

The ultimate success of this effort depends on you.

Your support will indeed help light the way.

Now is the time to press forward...a time to celebrate, a time to shine.

*We believe we can take this place, this time, and this people –
and make a better place, a better time, and a better people.*

This is, indeed, GMC's Promise.

**THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO SUPPORT
"GMC's Promise: The Campaign for Georgia Military Prep School."**

OUTRIGHT GIFTS:

- A check payable to the GMC Foundation
- Credit card transaction
- Stock or mutual fund transfers
- Real estate

PLEDGES:

Make your pledge of support over a period of three to five years. Send a written commitment of your intentions, along with the purpose of your pledge, or call to discuss this opportunity.

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in support of Georgia Military College and foster a culture that
unites philanthropic desires with college priorities.*

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