



Dear Parents,

As we open the new year, the administration, faculty and staff want this to be a positive experience for all students. Keeping as our goal your child's success, we anticipate working together to ensure that the absolute highest level of learning can take place in each classroom. With this in mind we are asking that you carefully go through the student handbook with your child/ren so that everyone is on the same page for codes of conduct. There are a few areas that as a school faculty and administration we would like to emphasize this year:

- ❖ Use of personal entertainment systems and cell phones. This is an increasing problem not only at St. Gregory the Great School but across all school systems. Please do not allow your child to bring them to school. If a cell phone is needed, please be sure that they have it off in their back pack or give it to their homeroom teacher at the start of the day. If we have to confiscate them, they will be held for 24 hours and the parent will have to retrieve them.
- ❖ Uniforms are traditional for the parochial schools. The dress code is clearly stated in the handbook. It would be very helpful if all students would abide by what is stated. Typical issues are uniforms that are too short, missing belt, multi-colored shoes, cosmetics and hair length. Please read carefully what is acceptable and try to make sure that your child/ren are dressed accordingly.
- ❖ The faculty and administration devote much time to developing curriculum and lessons. It is imperative that the students are prepared for class. If they come unprepared and have to leave class to get their supplies, it is disruptive to the class and often results in an incomplete lesson. Students will be held accountable for not being prepared. Parents you will have access to their grades and behavior reports on a regular basis. Let's work together, especially if we see a pattern begin to occur or if we see that the child's grades are beginning to slip. Working together, parents, students and teachers we can be assured of the academic success.

Everyone wants to begin this year in a clear and positive way, creating an environment of learning in the spirit of Christ. When we all work together this is completed at its highest level. Thank you ahead of time for your help and cooperation in the above matters.

Peace and Prayers,

Patricia M. Freund
Principal