



Dear St. Gregory the Great Academy Family,

Welcome Back! I would like to welcome all of our new families to SGGA and welcome back all of our returning families! I hope you all had a wonderful summer!! It is so hard to believe that we are heading back to school. It seems like we were just saying goodbye in June, have a good summer; and now we are here! Time definitely does fly!!

The beginning of the school year is such an exciting time. I remember myself as a child getting excited the night before the new school year began. I couldn't wait to see my friends and meet my new teacher. And as this school year gets ready to begin, I feel that same spirit and excitement again. I'm looking forward to seeing familiar faces, meeting new faces and catching up with friends. I also look forward to seeing how much the children have grown over the summer and how much more they will grow throughout the year.

St. Gregory the Great Academy PTA is committed to helping parents and teachers develop a mutual understanding and appreciation of the ideals of Catholic education through community, service and worship. Our fundraising efforts support our school as well as other charities. Last year we collected and donated food to the poor for Thanksgiving as well as planned and hosted events such as Trunk-or-Treat, Santa Breakfast, Fall Craft Show, and our Annual Family Skating Party.

In order for all of this to be possible we the need the support and involvement from you, our Academy parents. It is essential to have parental involvement from as many parents as possible. Many working families feel that they cannot contribute their time or can not be included in the PTA because most events happen during the day. There are countless opportunities and ways that you can help, whether behind the scenes or upfront and center, whether it is an hour or fifty hours, there are ways to get involved and earn points, but more importantly, build friendships.

Our first General PTA Meeting will be held on September 13 at 7:00pm in the School Cafeteria. I invite you to come and explore what the PTA is about and to join us as we start this new school year.

If you should have any questions, ideas or concerns, please feel free to contact me at lauriepietrini@hotmail.com. I look forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

Laurie Pietrini
PTA President