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THEY TURNED THE WORLD UPSIDE DOWN.

Back To School Prayer

Heavenly Father, today we lift up every student, every teacher, every administrator, every staff member, and every educational team member represented in our church and community. We pray Your blessing over them as they begin a new school year.

Your Word declares that “the prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective” (James 5:16). Because You have invited us to come boldly before Your throne of grace, we come in faith believing that You hear us and that You answer according to Your will.

First, Father, we pray for their protection.

Your Word says, “He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways” (Psalm 91:11). We ask You to surround every campus, classroom, school bus, athletic field, and pathway with Your divine protection. Guard them from incidents, accidents, and every act of violence. We declare that no weapon formed against them shall prosper (Isaiah 54:17), and that they will dwell under the shadow of the Almighty.

Secondly, Father, we pray for their peace.

Your Word promises that You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are stayed on You (Isaiah 26:3), and that the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:7). We come against anxiety, chronic stress, fear, and emotional heaviness. We also pray against every attack on their identity. Silence the lies of comparison, bullying, rejection, and unhealthy peer pressure. Help every student remember that they are fearfully and wonderfully made (Psalm 139:14) and chosen by You. Let their identity be rooted in who You say they are, not in the opinions of others.

Finally, Father, we pray for their productivity.

Your Word reminds us that “God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind” (2 Timothy 1:7). We ask You for focused minds, disciplined hearts, and teachable spirits. Deliver them from every debilitating distraction that competes for their attention and purpose. Give them wisdom in the classroom, excellence in their work, healthy relationships, and favor with teachers and classmates. Let this be a year of growth, discovery, accomplishment, and spiritual maturity.

Father, we dedicate this entire school year to You. Go before them, walk beside them, and remain within them. May they not only succeed academically but also grow in wisdom, character, and favor with God and with people.

We ask all of this in the amazing and matchless name of Jesus.