

**When we Pray – Things Will Change**  
**August 15th, 2018**

**PARENTS:** Pray that God will give parents the strength to know when to let go and to hold tight. Pray that God will be with them as they allow their kids to demonstrate self-control, unable to monitor their interactions and choices while they walk the halls at school. Grant them peace as they remember that you are always watching over your children. Pray that the community helps to find ways to support the families in need. Pray that God gives them the strength to do what they need to do each day to show love to their family.

**TEACHERS:** Pray that the Lord will give them the leadership skills, the patience and compassion, and enthusiasm they need to help the students explore, stretch, achieve and grow. Pray that God will lead them to be creative in planning lessons and open their eyes so they don't lose the vision of why you called them to teach. Pray that God will protect them from discouragement. Empower them to excel in the face of discouraging situations. Please grant them a spirit of perseverance despite the challenges.

**STUDENTS:** Pray that the students will welcome those who are new to this community and may they show love to one another as they make new friends. Pray that the students develop a deep respect and appreciation for their teachers and will show respect for all authority figures. Pray that their minds are being prepared to learn and that their hearts may be open to learning. Pray that they will be brave as they face the challenges before them. We ask the Lord that their hearts will be calm and peaceful as they go through their day and in their sleep at night. Pray that God will keep them safe in this increasingly unsafe world. That He will protect them from harm and wickedness. Pray that our children are filled with the love of God. And that they will know how deeply they are loved, and that love will overflow onto others.

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