

October 13, 2017

*"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace" 1 Peter 4:10*

Dear Parent / Guardian:

At St. Gregory the Great School, we value the relationships that we establish with our parent and community partners. One way that parents, guardians and family members can assist within the school is through volunteering your time in your child's classroom (e.g. school trips, etc.) as needed, or the larger school community through special events (e.g. fundraising initiatives, special events, lunch days, etc.).

Volunteering within the school provides immeasurable assistance and promotes home-school connections by:

- Enriching educational programs and services;
- Enhancing student success, achievement and well-being;
- Providing members of the community with opportunities to share their knowledge, skills and talents;
- Enabling members of the community to gain valuable experience, personal growth and satisfaction;

For the purposes of ensuring the safety of our students, each school volunteer must provide:

- A Criminal Reference Check with Vulnerable Sector Screening dated within the last six months of the date it is shared with the school (for new volunteers); AND
- Complete an annual Offence Declaration that states the you have had no convictions under the Criminal Code of Canada since your last Criminal Reference Check (for returning volunteers with a previous check on file at the school);

Should you have interest in volunteering your time, you are invited to attend a brief volunteer orientation meeting at the school on Tuesday, October 24, 2017 beginning at 11:00am in the Learning Commons.

We appreciate any time that you can give to our school. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

Yours in Catholic Education,

D. Attardo  
Principal