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Gateway Christian School

*...FOR THERE WAS JOY IN ISRAEL.*

*1 CHRONICLES 12:40*

**Principal's Thoughts**

1 Chronicles 12 is an interesting chapter of Scripture. Israel suffered a crushing defeat by the Philistines. King Saul and his sons were killed, and Israel was scattered. The warriors and tribes of Israel regathered in Hebron with a whole heart and one mind to make David king over all Israel. They were eating and drinking for three days as they made David king. The chapter closes with: **‘for there was joy in Israel.’**

I pray that all the mess that we have been experiencing will soon pass, and it could be said of us: “for there was joy in the United States, in Texas, in San Antonio and at Gateway Christian School.”

We certainly will experience joy as we see the students return to school after five months at home. We have prayed and with counsel put a plan together that we trust is from God. We pray Psalm 91. Verse 1 begins, “He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.” I encourage you to read the rest of the chapter. You may want to read it often.

**School Opening**

We will begin school one week late this year. The calendar I sent out earlier in the summer has the first day as Aug 10, but that date no longer applies nor does the first Parent Night. **First day will be Aug 17.** Our reopening plan is posted on the our web site, gw-school.org. Please read through it and follow the instructions. Please call me if you have any questions or concerns.

**Team App**

I hope every one is staying in touch through Team App. You can download it and search for Gateway Christian. Next, request to add to any group and all groups that you want to (I accidentally denied two request—please request again). You can also enter your email and get any message that way.

**Dual Options**

We are offering both in the classroom instruction and distance learning through Zoom. The teachers will open a Zoom meeting while they teach so it will be much more involved than last spring, which means students will be in the Zoom class most of the morning. The younger the child the more assistance they will need from home. If you have not informed the office that you prefer distance learning, please do so.

**Parent Night**

Parent Night will be Friday, Aug 14 at 7:00 pm. We will meet in the auditorium (please wear a mask) and then transition to the classrooms. You may join us virtually through our Facebook.

**We Need Students**

We have openings in every classroom. If you know of anyone who wants in classroom instruction, please recommend us. Thanks to those who have done so already.

**Labor Day**

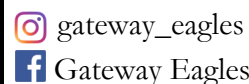
School will be closed for Labor Day on Sep 7.

Important Dates	
Aug 14	Parent Night
Aug 17	First Day of School
Sep 7	Labor Day Holiday



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### **School Uniforms**

Girls may wear khaki or navy pants when the temperature is below 40°F. Please ensure that your children's uniforms have their name or initials in them. Students often leave parts of their uniforms in the locker rooms, and we have no way of identifying to whom the items belong. Uniforms that are not claimed will be placed in our giveaway program.

### **Box Tops for Education**

Box Tops are found on certain foods and household items. Proceeds are used to help fund classroom needs in the elementary levels. This year some items have 6 Box Tops on them. Each Box Top is worth 10 cents. You may bring any Box Tops you've collected to the school office.

### **My Coke Rewards**

Coke products have a coke reward code which you can enter at [mycokerewards.com](http://mycokerewards.com) or send them to the school for collection. These points will be used to purchase athletic equipment for the school.