



## **A Student's Prayer for a New School Year**

Lord Jesus, I ask for Your help as I begin this new school year.

Allow me to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before me.

Open my eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings.

Open my heart and mind to new friends and new teachers.

Give me a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with my studies and courage to accept new opportunities.

Help me to be attentive to my teachers and let me experience Your presence in my new friends.

Jesus, inspire me to do my best this year!

Amen



*Back to School: Prayer for the Start of the School Year*

*Loving God,  
Our creator, our saviour, our companion,  
bless this journey of a new school year that we undertake today.*

*Refresh our souls  
and renew our spirits  
as we embrace the beautiful ministry you have called us to.*

*We welcome those who are new to this community and  
ask that you strengthen them to share the wonderful gifts you have given  
them.*

*Lord, make our hearts pure as we prepare for the return of students to this  
school,  
and may you guide them to return with open hearts and minds eager to learn.  
We ask this in Your name,*

*Amen*



## **A Student's Prayer at the Beginning of School Year**

We give you praise, O God,  
for everything that is new and beautiful,  
for everything which holds promise and brings us  
joy.

Bless us as we start this new year  
with our friends and teachers  
Help us to make the most of every chance we have to  
start afresh.

May we show love to one another and to all.  
May the new beginning of this school year  
remind us that you give us chances to start over  
again and again.

Help us to forgive others  
as we receive your forgiveness.

Help us to learn and to work together.  
Help us to listen when we should  
and to know the best words when we speak  
and when it is better not to speak.

We thank you for our friends  
Help us to be good friends this year.  
Help us to be patient  
with ourselves and with others.

Bless our school and keep us safe.  
Be with us as we travel each day.

Help us to be aware of your love  
shown to us in the people around us.

Bless all those who care for us  
In school and at home.  
Help us show our care for them  
and to say sorry when we need to.

May the Blessed Mother Mary protect us  
And help us to live as well as we can  
Giving thanks and glory to God as she did.



## **Prayer for a New School Year**

🙏 Lord, please bless all our teachers, friends and relatives as they make their way back to their classrooms for another year.

Help them to feel excitement and joy in the promise of a new start.

Give them everything they need to start their classes.

Give them all they need all year.

Give them imagination and creativity to make wonders out of what they do have.

Help them stretch their budgets and their supplies.

Give them wisdom all year.

Help them quickly spot the little souls who are going to need something extra from them this year.

Help them have just the right words of encouragement for each student.

Give them loads of love.

Help the love in their hearts just overflow so they always have plenty to spare.

We can't conjure it up Lord, but you give in abundance... please supply all the love teachers need.

Please supply them energy too, Lord.

Please let them sleep well at night so they are rested and refreshed each morning.

Don't let them take their problems and worries to bed with them at night.

Give them patience with students, with parents, and with their administration.

Again, Lord, it's you who supplies in abundance.

Please keep the students and teachers safe this year.

Keep them safe from accidents or evil intent.

Let the students be excited about this wonderful world and all there is to learn about it.

Help them to be interested in each other, for there's a wealth to learn about and from each other, and this is true for teachers and parents as well.

Give the parents willing hearts, both to help in the classroom if they can, and certainly to be involved in their children's homework and in their stories as the year goes on.

Let this be a truly wonderful year for everyone involved in education.

Let everyone feel, at the end of the year, that they learned all they could and gave the best they had.

# **Back to School Prayer for Educators**

As I step into a new academic year  
Restore my spirit  
Renew my passion for sharing your wisdom  
And nurture my compassion  
for those You put in my charge.

Transform me as I seek to transform  
Guide me as I seek to guide  
Open my mind and heart  
As I seek to open minds and hearts  
To the Good News of justice and peace.

Help me listen more deeply  
To the world and to your Word  
So I can walk with my students  
Attentive to the Wisdom that  
Calls us all to the Kingdom of God.