

### ***Pray for our Students & Families***

\*Pray that God will make Himself known on all our campuses. Ask Him to give comfort and peace to every student, parent, grandparent, guardian and family in our school system.

\*Pray that God will give families peace with their decisions to send their children back to school campuses, choose distance learning, home-schooling or whatever option they feel led to use. Cause us to support and pray for one another with these difficult personal decisions.

\*Pray that our students will excel during this school year! Ask God to make this one of the greatest learning experiences in all of our lives. Pray for unity, grace and courage as we face this school year together.

### ***Specific Needs***

This section of your prayer guide lists needs that you “see” as you prayer walk on the campus and needs you might “hear about” from staff, students or others. What can I do about these needs?

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**Specific Teachers at this school I am praying for:** Are you willing to accept the Pastor’s Challenge to pray for your child’s teacher each day? List them below, and any other teacher/ faculty/ staff from this school that the LORD lays up on your heart.

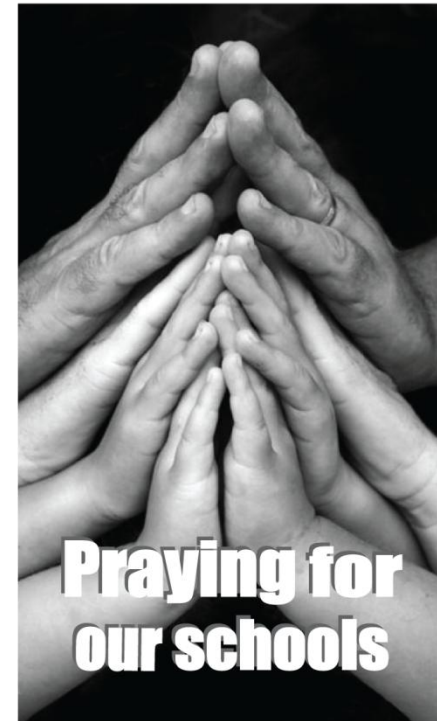
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Please pray that our **New Providence Baptist Church** family continues to have opportunities to **“Bless the Schools”**. Pray that God will give us favor as we continue to minister and share the gospel with everyone affiliated with this school. Pray for personal opportunities to share the gospel and ask God to make hearts receptive to His Message. **Pray for people to be saved through this ministry!**

# **“Bless the Schools” Prayer Walking Guide**

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## A “Bless The Schools” Message from your Pastor

Thank you for joining us in our annual prayer-walk for our schools. We have been prayer-walking as part of our **“Bless The Schools”** Ministry for over fifteen years and believe this is one of the most vital efforts of this partnership. With the current issues and uncertainties, our 2020-2021 school year promises to be the most challenging we’ve ever known. Your prayers today and through the school year will be the very lifeline that our schools, students, faculty and administrators will rely on for strength and wisdom. To use a “buzz-word” during this season, your prayers and support will prove to be **“essential”**.

I’m asking our entire church family to join us on **August 2, 2020** to prayer-walk each of our school campuses, but I’m also asking that you keep this prayer guide close at hand to pray throughout the coming year. I believe it can be a great reminder to pray focused prayers for this tremendous need. Thank you for your prayers, partnership and participation to **Bless The Schools!**

### Our Prayer-Walking Guide

#### ***In The Parking Lot***

\*As you drive onto the campus, ask God to watch over our bus drivers, car riders and every vehicle that delivers people to the school. As people enter the buildings, this year they will go through a temperature check. Pray that everyone will be gracious and courteous in this process.

#### ***At the Front Entrance***

\*Pause for a moment and ask God to keep everyone safe who enters this building. Ask Him to give special focus to the School Resource Officer(s) (SRO) to be a hedge of protection for the physical safety of every student and person on the campus.

#### ***Cafeteria & Custodians***

\*Somewhere close by is a cafeteria with employees given the responsibility of preparing healthy meals in a safe environment, keeping the facilities clean and delivering meals via new procedures. They must walk through the hallways that are kept clean by a custodial and maintenance staff that are often unnoticed. Every hallway, classroom, restroom, workroom and surface must be kept clean; imagine the importance of these tasks as you pray for these staff members.

#### ***School Nurse & Clinic***

\*In this year of medical uncertainty, somewhere in the school is a nurse who will be at the center of every medical question. The nurses will be responsible to give care, diagnosis, counsel and advice to the schools administrators and families. Pray that God will give them physical protection and great wisdom as they care for our students.

#### ***Administrators & Office Staff***

\*Please pray for our Principal and Assistant Principal. In addition to their usual duties and responsibilities, this year they must deal with the unknown issues of our current pandemic. They must consider the safety of every student, teacher, staff member and family along with providing the supervision required to achieve excellence in academics. They must deal with different voices, opinions, difficult situations along with school boards and governmental authorities. Pray for wisdom, a firm commitment, and a gentle caring spirit.

#### ***Grade Level and Special Position Teachers***

\*Our teachers are facing challenges like never before. Some families will choose to keep their children at home and practice “distance learning” where teachers will be required to teach via the internet. For “in classroom” students, teachers will be required to keep students socially distanced within the classrooms, in hallways, during special activities while maintaining established educational standards.

\*Pray these teachers do not become overwhelmed with these requirements.

\*Pray these teachers will manage personal stress, anxiety and fears while they stay focused of teaching their students.

\*Pray that God will protect our teachers, their families and give them wisdom to manage this year’s “new normal” practices.

\*Pray that parents and families will be patient and gracious when dealing with their teachers in these uncertain times.

\*Pray for “special area” teachers, assistants, and other specialists to be kind, courteous and patient dealing with new protocols and practices.