

September 17, 2019

Dear Lower School Families,

We would like to say thank you. Thank you for supporting your students at home and reinforcing what we are trying to accomplish at school. Thank you for encouraging your students to have perseverance, patience, and kindness. Thank you for helping your student to complete work, follow directions, and show respect. This is a partnership, and we need to work together.

The onset of the school year is when we lay foundation for academic skills and help students form good habits. Will Durant says, "We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit." We want to cultivate and help our students form these habits. We cultivate Truth through the Western Traditions, through our literature, science, and history curriculum. We cultivate Beauty through virtue, by modeling and holding high expectations in areas such as Chess and carline. We cultivate Goodness through a Sense of Wonder, an appreciation for learning, and forming good habits.

Thank you for partnering with the school to encourage learning, reading, adhering to expectations, and investigating material so school can be an environment filled with joy.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Marcy Finn". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Marcy Finn  
Interim Headmaster, Lower School  
Great Hearts Irving