



# BACK TO SCHOOL MESSAGE

## To all new and returning students of tertiary educational institutions

Welcome to a new academic year with new and varied possibilities.

As you embark on this academic journey, we pray that you find not only knowledge and wisdom but also a deeper connection with your faith and our Heavenly Father.

New students, we encourage you to seek-out and become a member of the Seventh-day Adventist (SDA) Fraternity or Fellowship associated with your institutions. If there is no active SDA Fraternity at your institution, please inform your local AY Leader, who should then relay same to the Parish Youth Federation and eventually to the Youth Director or us. In the interim, find other SDA students and faculty members and encourage them to start a Fraternity at the institution.

Keep us informed, and support will be provided.

If you are away from home, it is ok to explore SDA churches close to the institution before deciding on a new home-church. Do take the initiative and introduce yourself when you visit. Please do not stay home (on dorm/new residence) on Sabbaths if it is safe to attend church.

Returning students already engaged in SDA Fraternities and Fellowships and new home-churches, please continue on that path, look-out for and give support to our new SDA students.

For returning students not yet engaged, please follow the above-mentioned advice and get connected to spiritual support.

May this year be filled with growth, discovery, and meaningful friendships. Remember, you are part of a supportive and loving community that values each individual's unique gifts and talents. Make this year one of excellence, service, and spiritual enrichment.

Remember, the most important goal of your studies is not just to be prepared for service in this life, but the life to come.

We pray for blessings and success on your academic journey.

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