

# St. Genevieve Parish Schools

## Dear Valiant Community,

Homecoming Week 2023 is now a chapter in the rich and proud history of our schools.

Our celebrations this week coincided with our 20-year anniversary of being a **National School of Character**. Not only did our community live up to the title, together we were a powerful example to the nation and our world of what LOVE makes possible.

### And yet...WE DID IT!

- Having school in session for six days beginning on a Sunday sounds challenging, *and yet... we did it.*
- Organizing activities to bring joy to preschoolers to seniors sounds impossible, *and yet...we did it.*
- Hosting over 2,000 people on a construction site for *Dancing with the Valiants* sounds insurmountable, *and yet...we did it.*
- Walking in the middle of Coldwater Canyon Blvd. during Friday rush-hour sounds crazy, *and yet... we did it.*
- Winning a football game when your opponent scores 21 points in the first quarter seems unfeasible, *and yet...we did it.*

The myriad of activities required time, planning, creativity, flexibility, and sacrifice on behalf of every student, teacher, teaching aide, office staff member, safety officer, cafe worker, cleaning/ maintenance staff, tech crew member, musician, volunteer, and coach.

**Everyone contributed!** And what we achieved is something other schools would find difficult even to imagine let alone accomplish. I'm grateful to each of you and so very, very proud.

It's always been my belief that when children are in an environment in which their spirits are nurtured first and foremost, the result will be genuine achievement, academically, artistically, and athletically.

Let's all walk tall and with gratitude for the life-lessons of the community *we all* learned and lived this week.

Feeling Taller,



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