



Fall 2010

Dear Families and Friends of SAS:

As part of the Strategic Plan for Development (SPD) for Saint Augustine School, we have an ambitious goal of updating the school's Computer Lab and ensuring that appropriate educational technology (i.e. Smartboards) is available to our students before the hallways are bustling with children again in September.

The role of technology in our society today is here to stay and cannot be understated. It is essential therefore that we maximize the use of technology in our curriculums and use it as a tool to help instruct our students in an interesting and meaningful way. A technologically enhanced educational environment not only engages the students, it helps retain their interest and provides an enhanced learning experience. Many schools also report an increase in academic performance.

According to the U.S. Department of Education, instructional technology provides the following benefits and outcomes:

- Increased access to ongoing, updated information and knowledge;
- Acquisition of information literacy
- Elevated retention of materials studies
- Improved comprehension of difficult concepts
- Higher test scores
- Preparedness for the workforce

Through our **Go Techno Campaign**, we plan to replace thirty (30) fifteen year old computers in the Computer Lab and ensure that that they all have the latest educational, word processing, publishing and presentation software available. These new computers would also be internet ready, which will enhance the student's research and communications capabilities. We will also begin to outfit each class with a Smartboard.

We hope that we can we count on you to support our **Go Techno Campaign** and help ensure that our students have the latest educational technologies available. Every gift counts and gifts of any amount are welcome. Please complete and return the attached form with whatever donation you are comfortable with. Remember, it does not take a huge donation to have a significant impact. All contributions are tax deductible.

We thank you in advance for your support.

Katharine Murphy
Principal

Reverend William Cosgrove
Pastor

114 South Main Street New City, NY 10956



GO TECHNO CAMPAIGN

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PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL AT:

St. Augustine School
Attn: Go Techno Campaign
114 South Main Street
New City, NY 10956

All checks should be made payable to: St. Augustine's.
Please note "Go Techno Campaign" on the Memo line.