



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA

DIRECT ARCHDIOCESAN DISTRICT OFFICE OF EDUCATION

September 26, 2017

Greek-American Parochial Day School Principals
Greek - Afternoon / Saturday School Directors
Of the Direct Archdiocesan District

Cc: Reverend Fathers and School Board Chairmen

Welcome back to a new school year 2017-18. I would like to convey the paternal wishes of **His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios Geron of America**, and I wish you a productive school year ahead.

The Direct Archdiocesan District Office of Education represents the parochial day schools of New York City to the educational authorities on the State and City levels. The teachers and students of the parochial Greek American schools benefit from the representation of the Office, which facilitates teachers and students alike.

The Office of Education organizes annually a **Staff Development Seminar** to offer in-service training to day and afternoon/Saturday school teachers of the District. The Seminar will be held on **November 7** (Election Day), under the auspices of **His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios Geron of America**, at **St. Demetrios High School** in Astoria.

In reference to the **Comprehensive Examination in Modern Greek Language**, the Office of Education has published **two** books "**Curricula for the Modern Greek Language**" (Checkpoint A & B). The Office also offers books for the preparation of the students for the Greek Examination – a synthesis of old examinations from 2003-2011.

Furthermore, the District Office of Education is enclosing the following forms:

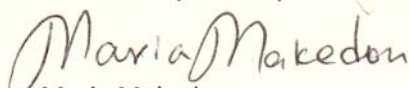
1. The **2017-18 School Record Form**
2. The **Calendar for the School Year 2017-2018**
3. The Teacher **Contact Information Form** for new teachers
4. Order **Forms** for the **Curriculum of Modern Greek Studies (A & B)** and **Regents books** for the preparation of students.

We kindly ask that you complete the **2017-18 School Record Form**, which should be mailed to our Office at your earliest convenience.

Please note that our Office has selected an array of books from Greek publishers that could help you in your profession. The books as well as the **Certificates of Promotion and Diplomas** are sold by the Archdiocese **online** by the www.orthodoxmarketplace.com.

The District Office of Education maintains a **Facebook** page: www.facebook.com/greekamericanschools, as well as a **Website**, www.education.goarch.org, which contains useful information and current events.

We thank you for your kind collaboration and wish you a wonderful new academic year.


Maria Makedon
Director