



Dear Parents/Guardians,

I greet you in the Name of Jesus

On behalf of Gitega International Academy Management, Board of Directors, and Staff, allow me to express my sincere gratitude to you all for your support and cooperation rendered to the school for this part of semester two of the academic year 2023/2024.

As staff of Gitega International academy, we pledge to continue putting in our best for the sake of our children's education to be able to realize the vision of the school to bring up godly leaders who have been equipped with excellence, integrity and leadership values.

A BRIEF REVIEW OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR

ACSI Re-accreditation - We want to inform you that Gitega International Academy after 5 years of serving the region maintained the Accreditation Status by ACSI (Association of Christian Schools International- based in USA) after meeting foundational compliance with international Christian education standards.

Academics – All planned academic programs and activities for the year have been achieved. All learners were assessed and have received assessment reports. Please endeavor to study the report and advise the child accordingly to ensure that there is continuous progress for the next Class next year.

- **Remedial:** It is so helpful to those our learners to be better in some weak aspects of Maths, Science and English. We have created special classes for such group of students who struggle in Maths and English
- **Library:** We also installed enough new computers for their research work and more reading and relevant text books.
- **Laboratory:** Laboratory is well equipped and students continue doing practical lessons every week.
- **Our students are exposed now to different International Tests, that is American College Tests, (ACT), Standardized Aptitude Tests (SAT) and IOWA Tests. We also offer a chance to all our students who want to do TOEFL (TEST OF ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE): -HOME EDITION.**
- On 18th May 2024, our students visited Rutana waterfalls and Source of the Nile where they learned about river systems, The Role of Waterfalls in Shaping Vegetation and the Impact of Vegetation on Waterfall.
 - **Extra Co-curriculum activities (Clubs):** Debates, and other extracurricular activities have been encouraged to help participate in other educative program. These include; Drama, Red Cross and volunteering club, Music club, Culture and Drumming, Journalism and poetry society, Modelling and Fashion club, Art club, Science club and ICT club.
 - Our students participated in **“Love in Action”** with needy people in our community.
 - French Club received a Trophy for being champions here in Gitega Province.
 - As usual our students scooped another testimony by becoming No.2 in the hotly contested Poetry Competition in our region.

NOTE: Every week students prepare News and they read by themselves every Wed on the assembly. This helps them to improve on speaking skills and expressing themselves.

Discipline – Good discipline can only be achieved in partnership with parents/guardians. At GIA we don't compromise with any indiscipline case.

Welfare – Our students are generally eating well as usual, the school has increased on the quality and quantity of food amidst the increasing costs of food items.

The chapel has been instrumental in shaping our students' spiritual lives with discipleship programs, morning devotions and Sunday chapel services.

Sports –Our two students qualified in Athletics and games here in Gitega province, and they are slated for a national competition.

Tuition/Fees payment - We are thankful to parents who did the obligation of paying in time to help the school to run well and if you have any queries always contact the school accountant **Mr. Ndayimirije Dieudonne** on +257-79943064. Our school accounts remain **Finbank account: 20004306011** and **BANCOBU account: 20019620104-32.**

GIA is intentional, dedicated and committed to ensure that your children leave GIA transformed, knowledgeable to go out there to influence and make a difference in the world. Let's stay positive and utilize this time to create newer opportunities for our children.

Gitega International Academy is definitely and will always be the most preferred destination for Christian Education in the region and the on the continent.

IMPORTANT DATES:

1. **Early August 1st -9th Aug 2024** – Registration of new students in Grade 7 and limited places in other classes.

25th Aug 2024 – Resumption of the new School Year 2024-2025 - Students should report **ONLY** on the given dates.

Finally we want to wish you a good time with your children in this summer break, have time to have fun but also to counsel them, pray with them and have quality time talk to them and hear from them.

Wish you a wonderful Summer Holidays

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HEAD OF SCHOOL



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