Dear GCCS parents,

I wanted to update you regarding a funding option for your child’s education. As was previously communicated, late in December, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act was signed into federal law. Until now, these funds were restricted to use only for college or university tuition. As of January 1, 2018, these funds are applicable to K-12 tuition expenses. This means that you can save tax-free (federal) for K-12 tuition as well as tuition for higher education.

As promised, we want to update you about this program. Since the first portion of this development was enacted by federal law, we had to wait and see how the state of Ohio would respond. Earlier this year Ohio SB 22 was passed by the legislature and signed into law. This is good news for families in that they can now benefit from these savings plans on their federal and state taxes.

I encourage you to open one of these accounts for your child(ren). This will permit you to begin saving for these future expenses, K-12 and post-secondary. Also, I want to remind you that “special federal tax provisions exist for treatment of gifts to the 529 savings plan so that even grandparents or extended family may contribute.” I have attached several links below to help you continue your research. Please understand that I am not advocating or endorsing specific programs and plans by listing them here. As always, consult your accountant or bank for help in navigating this program.

ACSI webpage resources
https://www.acsi.org/529central

Information on 529 Savings Plans and the law
https://www.savingforcollege.com/article/529-savings-plans-and-private-school-tuition
https://www.collegeadvantage.com
https://www.ohiocpa.com/search/utilities/displaynewsitem/2018/04/03/ohio-conformity-income-tax-changes-signed-into-law

I hope this additional information is helpful to you in funding your child’s education. Thank you for your partnership in Kingdom education.

In His service,

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