

Dear Grace Church Family and Friends,

In Sunday's sermon, I referred to a recent opinion piece in the New York Times lamenting the lack of moral education in schools. The piece was written by a philosopher and concerned parent who felt his young son was not being taught the universal truths of right and wrong.

While I am not sure if the author's opinion is an accurate reflection of American education in general, I do know it is not an accurate description of Episcopal schools. I may be biased here, being a product of an Episcopal school myself, but I truly believe Episcopal schools focus on educating the whole student - body, mind and spirit. It is a commitment to nurturing the physical, intellectual and spiritual development of young people that sets Episcopal schools apart. I would not be a priest today, I would not be at Grace Church today, if it was not for an Episcopal school.

That is what makes me so proud of our Grace Episcopal Day School. For 55 years, the Day School has provided children the same type of education which I received. Its mission is to provide every student the opportunity for academic excellence in a caring, nurturing, moral environment that embraces diversity and promotes creativity, self-confidence, and service to others. And, it does that very well.

If you have not been to the Day School in a while, or if you have never been, go check it out. I know they would be happy to give you a tour and show you why "Grace is the place."

See you there,  
*Andrew*