

PRAYER FOR PEOPLE WHO BUILD AND SUPPORT SCHOOLS



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Oh great, compassionate Buddha!
You are the greatest teacher in the world!
By observing the capability of all beings in
order to teach them accordingly,
You have helped many to achieve the state of
arhat,
And have cultivated many kind bodhisattvas;
By providing education to all people without
discrimination,
You have initiated the education of the masses,
And established the six points of reverent
harmony in the Sangha.
The famous monastery, Nalanda, in India,
Was the first university to become world-
renowned;
Nagarjuna Bodhisattva, the creator of the
Madhyamika School,
Was once the president of the university;
Master Xuanzang, the famous pilgrim to India,
Once studied there.
Chinese monasteries have also served
The function of propagating the Dharma.

Oh great, compassionate Buddha!
In an extremely joyous mood, we would like to
tell you that:
Our scenic, bright, and beautiful Fo Guang
University,
Our management-specialized Nan Hua
University,
Our grand, American-based Hsi Lai University,
Our Nan Tien Institute in the Southern
Paradise, and
Our different worldwide Buddhist colleges—
All have beautiful campuses,
All have complete facilities,
All have fine faculties,
All have diligent students.
All this is the result of millions of people who
support our schools.
All this is due to the contributions of people
who vow to do meritorious work.
We hope that teachers in the colleges and
universities
Will gradually influence and lead students
patiently on the right path;
We hope that students in the colleges and
universities
Will respect teachers and their teachings, and
learn tirelessly.
We hope that the relationships between
teachers and students in the school
Will be harmonious;
That, with time, the school will progress both
within and without,

That the campus will be filled with warm
language, and
That classrooms will overflow with an
atmosphere of diligent study.
May the people who vow to do meritorious
work fulfill their wishes:
Let the university become the model for
intellectuals;
Let the university become the "imperial school"
for disseminating truth;
Let the university become the cradle for
cultivating great people;
Let the university become the place to educate
and mold the virtuous and wise.
We hope that our universities
Will become key places for international
culture and education,
We hope that our universities
Will become centers for world academic
culture.
Oh great, compassionate Buddha!
Further, we hope that the university will be
heir to ancient sages
And the teacher of posterity,
And we hope that the university will shoulder
the responsibility
Of civilizing the masses through education.
We must uphold the significance of human
ideas;
We must uphold the spirit of open-mindedness;
We must uphold the ideal of cultivating merits
and wisdom;
We must uphold the training that emphasizes
both behavior and ideas.
Oh great, compassionate Buddha!
We pray to you to give your great support
To those who offer their mental abilities
To these universities, in response to the
Buddha;
May everything turn out as they wish.
We pray to you to protect
Those who, through meritorious works,
Contribute financially and physically to build
these universities:
May their merits and wisdom be advanced;
May they be peaceful, safe, and fortunate.
We hope that the fund-raising committee
And those who contribute and rejoice
In the building of the university
Will have what they wish for life after life;
May they leave virtue and wisdom to their
descendants.
Oh great, compassionate Buddha,
Please accept our sincerest prayers!
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Please accept our sincerest prayers

为兴学功德主祈愿文

慈悲伟大的佛陀！
您是世界上最伟大的导师，
由于您的观机逗教，
成就了多少大阿罗汉，
培养了多少发心菩萨；
由于您的有教无类，
开创了平民教育的先河，
成立了六种和敬的僧团。
印度那烂陀寺，
是举世闻名的第一所大学，
龙树菩萨曾担任校长，
玄奘大师曾在此求学；
中国丛林也具有传教的功能。
慈悲伟大的佛陀！
我要以无比欢喜的心情告诉您，
我们风光明媚的佛光大学、
我们管理专长的南华大学、
我们雄踞美洲的西来大学、
我们南方净土的南天大学、
我们世界各地的丛林学院，
它们有典雅的校园，
它们有完善的设备，
它们有优良的师资，
它们有勤奋的学生。
这一切都是百万人兴学的成果，
这一切都是功德主发心的奉献。
我们希望大学的师长们，
都能循循善诱，春风化雨；
我们希望大学的同学们，
都能尊师重道，好学不倦。
希望学校的师生都能水乳交融，
希望学校的内外都能与时俱进，

希望校园里充满了温馨的语言，
希望教室里荡漾着勤读的气氛。
愿功德主的发心能够圆成希望——
让大学成为知识份子的典范，
让大学成为传播真理的簧宫，
让大学成为培养伟人的摇篮，
让大学成为陶铸圣贤的道场。
希望我们的大学，
能成为国际文教的重镇，
希望我们的大学，
能成为世界学术的中心。
慈悲伟大的佛陀！
我们更希望大学能够担当
承先启后的使命；
我们更希望大学能够肩负
教化大众的责任；
我们应该有人文思想的内涵，
我们应该有兼容并蓄的精神，
我们应该有福慧双修的理念，
我们应该有行解并重的教育。
慈悲伟大的佛陀！
祈求您，
加持为大学奉献心力的有缘人，
让他们生活安康，合家如意；
祈求您，
覆护为大学出钱出力的功德主，
让他们福慧增上，平安吉祥；
希望劝募委员及随喜功德者，
都能生生世世，所求遂愿，
都能功德智慧，留给子孙。
慈悲伟大的佛陀！
请求您接受我至诚的祈愿。