



Faith Formation Behavior Expectations

BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

Children enrolled in the Religious Formation program are expected to maintain high standards of behavior. Our purpose is to encourage and strengthen each child's character in accordance with Catholic principles. Our team consists of volunteer catechists and assistants who give of their time, talents, and energies and deserve the utmost respect, consideration, and support at all times. Conduct unbecoming a Catholic will not be tolerated. Catechists who see a need for correcting inappropriate behavior are asked to do the following:

1. The catechist will correct the child.
2. If there is no improvement and the inappropriate behavior continues, the catechist will correct the child again.
3. If the behavior continues for a third time the catechist will refer the child to the Faith Formation Director. Continued inappropriate behavior will result in the parents being notified.
4. The catechist and the Faith Formation Director will discuss the conditions for the child's return to the classroom. The parent may need to accompany the child to the classroom and attend classes with the child until the behavior problem is resolved.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES/CELL PHONES

No electronic devices/ cell phone use is allowed during class time. The device must be turned off and out of sight. If the phone is out it will be confiscated and the parent/guardian will need to pick it up at the end of the night or at the Parish Office during office hours.

BUILDINGS AND PARISH PROPERTY

Children are expected to assist in the good order of building and parish property. Those who deface tables, walls, desks or any other property (i.e. books, Bibles,) within the school building, church building or deface the grounds of the building will be

subject to disciplinary action. We must be good stewards of these resources. Please encourage your child to:

1. Conduct themselves properly in the restroom.
2. Deposit waste papers, etc. in proper receptacles.
3. Respect the property of others.
4. No chewing gum in the building.

POLICY REGARDING BULLYING

Bullying disrupts our ability to form the faith of our children, threatens public safety by creating an atmosphere in which such behavior can escalate into violence, and is prohibited. Bullying means any intention, hostile or offensive verbal, written, graphic, demonstrative, electronic, or physical act that has the purpose of exerting domination over another child through the act of intimidating, frightening, oppressing, or adversely controlling the child on parish grounds. This may include, but is not limited to verbal, graphic, written, or electronic activities such as name-calling, taunting, blackmailing, inciting to fight, terrorizing, physical or demonstrative activities such as poking, blocking or impeding, following, hair pulling, mock hitting motions, intentionally bumping, tripping and damaging clothing.. Conduct unbecoming a Catholic will not be tolerated. Catechists who see a need for correcting inappropriate bullying behavior in the classroom are asked to do the following: 1. The catechist will notify the Religious Formation Director. 2. The Religious Formation Director will notify the parent/guardian. 3. The catechist, parent/guardian and the Religious Formation Director will discuss conditions for the child’s return to the classroom.

Student Signature and date _____

Parent Signature and date _____

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