



## PARENT/GUARDIAN CODE

Just as the parents look to the school to provide the facilities and trained personnel that are essential to their child's proper development, so the school looks to the parents to assume active responsibilities that cannot be delegated to others.

No school can be wholly effective in teaching the values of religion and the virtues of honesty, respect for authority, consideration for the rights and property of others, and standards of personal morality and integrity unless these principles have been established, upheld, and valued in the home. Parents' cooperation with the school, instilling respect for the integrity of its teachers and administration, and actively supporting their authority in the home, will be reflected in the positive attitudes of their children.

Parents are asked to take an active role in their child's education by:

- Assisting their child in his/her academic and moral development by carefully reviewing classwork, test results, checking their child's grades on PowerSchool and report cards; supervising home study without doing the homework for them; and reinforcing school policies;
- Insisting on their child's regular school attendance and punctuality and complying with attendance rules and procedures; having their child to school on time and picking up their child on time at the end of the school day;
- Seeing that the dress code, including gym uniform, is enforced;
- Teaching their child respect for law, for authority, for the rights of others, and for public and private property. This includes showing respect for the work of others and not tolerating cheating under any circumstance;
- Always interacting with school personnel in a respectful manner. Verbal abuse, including speaking disrespectfully, or physical harassment may result in their child being required to withdraw from the school immediately or not being allowed to re-register for the following year;
- Not tolerating vulgar, sarcastic, or catty language from their child – leading by example;
- Attending Parent Teacher Conferences;
- Making sure their child comes to school each day with the supplies, homework, books, lunch, etc. that are needed;

- Working with the school in a cooperative effort to carry out recommendations made in the best interest of their child, including those related to educational evaluations and counseling;
- Monitoring their child’s cell phone use, social networking activity and computer usage;
- Not posting defamatory or threatening statements about the school, its staff, or students on social media. If this happens, parents/guardians can be required to remove the offensive material or withdraw their child(ren) from the school.

At all times, parents and family members must conduct themselves in a way that fosters a safe and positive school environment for all members of our school community. This expectation includes, but is not limited to, exercising caution and compliance during pick-up and drop-off, and maintaining positive communication with teachers, administrators, and students. When a parent or guardian conducts himself or herself in a manner that jeopardizes the safety or wellbeing of persons within our school community, that individual risks the continued enrollment or future registration of their child(ren) with our school. Parents choosing Catholic School for their children frequently cite commitment to structure and discipline as major reasons for their investment in Catholic education. Our students are to always conduct themselves as examples of Christian behavior.

While most parents find our approach to discipline to be very favorable, there are instances when a child breaks a rule and must understand the consequences of his or her actions. It is then that a parent may attempt to debate the fairness of the school policy or make excuses for the child’s misbehavior. Our school administration does not engage in debates with parents about our rules and regulations, nor can it be supportive of parents who are interfering with a child’s growth in accepting personal responsibility for his or her actions. By enrolling a child in this school, the parent agrees to and is supportive of the rules and regulations that we deem as critical in the spiritual, academic, and behavioral growth of the child.

**I/we have read and understand the Parent/Guardian Code for Holy Angels Catholic School.**

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**Parent/Guardian Signature**

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