

Attendance Policy

It is important that children attend classes consistently; even with make-up work, a child who misses too many classes will be at a disadvantage. There are times however, illness for example, when a student cannot attend.

The following policy will be enforced at the judgment of the Team Moderator, Team Member, and /or DRE. It is the responsibility of the parents to make sure their child has been taught anything that is missed by an absence. In the event of any absence, parents are to contact the child's catechist so they can go over the information missed with their child. It is important that children learn all material covered annually so that they can advance to the next grade level.

The following attendance policy has been approved by the Christian Formation Committee (CFC).

Confirmation Class, 11th Grade:

As a Sacramental year, it is more important than ever that students attend every class.

After one excused absence, Confirmation students will need to make up any further missed classes by doing assigned make up work, meeting with their catechist, and anything else deemed necessary by the Catechist and/or DRE. Excessive absences without make-up work complete may result in a discussion of a possible delay in celebrating the Sacrament due to lack of proper preparation or disposition.

9th and 10th Grade:

While these grades are not specifically Sacramental years, they begin preparation for Confirmation and so excused absences should be kept to a minimum.

Any excused absences after the second one will need to be made up by doing assigned make up work, meeting with their catechist, and anything else deemed necessary by the Catechist and/or DRE. Excessive absences without make-up work complete may result in either a delay in transition to the next grade or a requirement to repeat the incomplete year.

Middle and Elementary School:

Any student missing a large number of classes (more than four) will have their parents notified that movement of their child to the next grade will be at the discretion of the Team Moderator, Team Member, and/or DRE, pending make-up of time and curriculum missed, either by approved home study or make-up session(s).

Service Project Policy

Service to others is an integral part of our Christian life style and is incorporated into the religious education curriculum. Service Projects consist mainly of volunteer hours helping out at Mass, in the Parish, and in the local Community. Hours helping one's own family are not included since that is something students should be doing as members of their family. High school students are also required to write a reflection paper and supply verification of their service hours.

Annual requirements for the Service Projects are as follows:

6th – 8th Grades:

- ✚ Total of 5 hours – with at least 1 Mass hour and 1 Parish or Community hour.

9th – 11th Grades:

- ✚ Total of 10 hours with verification.
- ✚ By the end of their junior year they need a total of 30 hours, with at least 10 hours in each category (Mass, Parish, Community).
- ✚ A Reflection paper is due each year.

Students are required to do the above each year. This is not something they can do ahead of time and should be done during each year since it is part of the curriculum. The number of hours expected is reasonable.

Any student not completing annual service hours will be notified that movement to the next grade will be at the discretion of the Team Moderator, Team Member or DRE, pending completion of previous year's required hours.