



### Code of Christian Conduct Covering Students and Parents or Guardians

The students' interest in receiving a quality, morally based education can best be served if students, parents and school officials work together, in alignment with Catholic values and the mission of our school. Normally, differences between these individuals can be resolved. In some rare instances, however, the school may find it necessary, in its discretion, to require parents or guardians to withdraw their children.

It shall be an express condition of enrollment that the students and parents or guardians shall conform themselves to standards of conduct that are consistent with the Christian principles of the school, as determined by the school in its discretion. These principles include, but are not limited to, any policies or procedures set forth in any student/parent handbook of the school. These Christian principles further include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Parents or guardians are expected to work courteously and cooperatively with the school to assist the student in meeting the academic, moral, and behavioral expectations of the school. As parents, we accept the Christian vision of family life and understand our child will learn about the sacraments of the Catholic church and will learn prayers in accordance with the Catholic church, regardless of religious background. We understand that Religion is a graded subject here, and that our middle school child will be taught family values in programs such as Pope John Paul II's **Theology of the Body** and learn about the sanctity of sacramental marriage between a man and a woman, according to God's plan for humankind to procreate and educate.
- Bullying at ANY level, among parents, students, faculty, and staff is unacceptable. It has no place in a Catholic school, and will be dealt with accordingly in a swift manner.
- Students and parents or guardians may **respectfully** express their concerns about the school operation and its personnel. However, they may not do so in a manner that is discourteous, scandalous, rumor driven, disruptive, threatening, hostile or divisive.
- Any parent or guardian or other person whose conduct, in a place where a school employee is required to be in the course of his or her duties, materially disrupts classwork or extracurricular activities or involves substantial disorder is guilty of a misdemeanor. This statement does not apply to any otherwise lawful employee concerted activity, including but not limited to, picketing and the distribution of handbills.
- Any parent or guardian, student, or other person who insults or abuses the principal or any staff member in the presence of other school personnel, students, or parents and at a place—which is on school premises or public sidewalks, streets, or other public ways, adjacent to school premises or at some other place, where the principal or teacher is required to be at, in connection with assigned school activities—risks the continuation of his or her child in the school. These expectations for students and parents or guardians include, but are not limited to, all school-sponsored programs and events (e.g., extended care, athletics, field trips, etc.) on or off campus. This includes negative postings about the school, faculty, staff, or administration on social media. Such action may result in a warning and lead to dismissal. The school reserves the right to determine, in its discretion, when conduct is of such a severe nature as to warrant immediate action without warning.

Oldest Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (2023 – 2024) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_