

SAINT MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Religious Education Behavior Policy

In order to create a climate where students can learn and enjoy their time in the religious education classes, certain rules are necessary. Our goal in setting these standards is to help the students develop a sense of self-discipline and responsibility for themselves and others.

Behavior standards are as follows:

Students are expected to participate in classroom discussion, prayer and activities as determined by their catechist or other person in charge. Disruptive students will be sent to the Religious Education Office.

All students, as young Christians are expected to show respect for all catechists, visitors to the classroom, Religious Education staff and other students.

Students are expected to show respect for school property, this includes not leaving trash on the floor or grounds, graffiti on tables/chairs in the classroom. Damage to classroom property must be replaced by the student.

Students should bring their text books to class each week. Do **NOT** bring cell phones, Ipods/MP3, video games, etc. Phones, music and gaming devices will be held by the catechist/Religious Education Director until the end of class.

Should the student fail to comply with the above expectations and his/her behavior disrupts the education process for themselves and others the following actions will be taken:

A verbal warning will be given to the student.

If the student's behavior does not improve and he/she continues to be disruptive, the child may be sent out of the classroom to the Religious Education Office. Parents will be notified.

If necessary, a meeting between parents, DRE and student will be arranged to discuss the child's continuation in the program. Parents may be asked to consider an alternative to classroom instruction.

Religious Education Attendance Policy

Students are expected to attend each and every class (except due to illness or family emergency).

Students should be in class at the appointed time. Family and students should report first to the school gym for prayer and announcements. Students arriving late are disruptive to the learning process not only for themselves but for their classmates as well.

Children in the Sacramental Preparation classes (2nd Grade – First Penance/First Communion and 7th/8th Grade – Confirmation) must not be absent for more than 5 weeks during the year and must attend the Saturday Retreat when scheduled.