

DISCIPLINE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

It is our philosophy that we must all work together in a supportive way to create a warm, welcoming, and caring community for each of our students in the Faith Formation Program. However, we all realize that at times, discipline will be necessary. So in an effort to clearly communicate our expectations of student behavior, we have established a few guidelines that will help us maintain our goal of ensuring that each of our students receives the full benefit of each week's formation effort.

The guidelines are:

1. The facilities we use during the Faith Formation Program belongs to St. Pius School and we are fortunate to have such a facility for use. Therefore, property belonging to the school and students (desks, personal belongings, classroom and hallway displays, etc) may not be interfered with in any way. We must respect others' belongings.
2. If a child is experiencing a problem with another student(s) or for any other reason, the child agrees to bring it to the catechist's attention.
3. The student agrees not to bring anything into classroom except their supplies unless otherwise directed by the catechist **(no food, beverages, candy, gum, I pods, audio equipment, cell phones, computer games, etc).**
4. The child agrees not to bring any large amounts of money to their weekly session.
5. Cookie Orders/Fundraising sales/etc. by children (eg: the selling of candy, cookies, calendars, raffle tickets, etc.) is strictly prohibited.
6. Disrespect to an adult or another student is grounds for discipline and will not be tolerated.
7. Inappropriate behavior, language or attitude is grounds for discipline and will not be tolerated.
8. Disruptive classroom behavior is grounds for discipline and will not be tolerated.
9. Fighting will not be tolerated at all...*fighting results in automatic dismissal from program for the rest of the year and/or permanent expulsion.*
10. Vandalism will not be tolerated and will result in mandatory parent meeting.

If the need for discipline does arise, we will adhere to these procedures:

FOR THE FIRST OFFENSE:

1. The student will be sent to the office to discuss the situation with the Director of
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Faith Formation (however, some offenses are grounds for automatic dismissal or mandatory meeting with the Director, the child and the parents- read the policies carefully). We will note this on student file.

2. The student will be returned to class only after he/she has agreed to apologize and discontinue inappropriate behavior.

FOR THE SECOND OFFENSE:

1. The student will be sent to the office and contact with parents will be made to notify them of the situation.
 2. Parents will be asked to come and pick the child up for the evening.
 3. The parent(s), student, teacher, and Director of Faith Formation will schedule a meeting to rectify the situation.
 4. After the meeting has taken place and the problem resolved, the student may then return to their next class. We will note this on student file.
- IF THERE IS A THIRD OFFENSE: the student will not be allowed to return to the program.

Please review Discipline Policies and Procedures with your child:

And while we realize that all parents may not feel this is necessary for their own child, we ask you to do this, so that all the students may benefit from appropriate behavior of their classmates. **Please review these behavior expectations with your child AND HAVE YOUR CHILD SIGN BELOW:**

DISCIPLINE POLICY CONTRACT

St. Pius X

(MUST BE SIGNED-Student Signature)

agrees to be governed by the policies & procedures as stated above.

(Parent Signature)

(Telephone)

(Date)

**THIS CONTRACT MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FORM.
YOUR CHILD MAY NOT BEGIN THE PROGRAM WITHOUT IT.**