

**DIOCESE OF WICHITA**

**ST. MARY’S-COLGAN/ ST. PATRICK, PARSONS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

**PARISH FAMILY AGREEMENT FOR 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR**

*Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God’s gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor.*

**The Parish**

The Catholic Church offers to every member the benefits of Mass and the Sacraments, numerous opportunities for private devotion, prayer groups, and public liturgy, a variety of parish ministries such as sacramental preparation, faith formation, and service to those who are sick or are in need.

**Parishioners**

Discipleship calls us to more than membership; it calls us to an active stewardship. To support all these ministries, we need every family’s active stewardship in this parish. No more and no less is asked of Catholic school parents and students than of any other parishioners. What does stewardship ask of parish members, including students?

- ✚ Make a commitment to be a disciple of Jesus Christ.
- ✚ Participate at Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.
- ✚ Practice your faith in the workplace, the home, the classroom, and in civic life.
- ✚ Support and cooperate with the religious education programs of the parish: adult faith formation, Catholic school, PSR, sacramental preparation, RCIA, etc.
- ✚ Participate in parish ministries, activities, and organizations through your contribution of time and talent.
- ✚ Support the ministries of the Catholic Church by pledging and tithing sacrificially to the parish (with a goal of 8% of family income to the parish and 2% to other charities of your choice).
- ✚ Submit a Stewardship Renewal Form annually.
- ✚ Pay school fees according to the fee schedule.
- ✚ Maintain a positive lunch account balance.

**Parents**

I reaffirm my commitment to be a good steward through my example and my actions. I ask the support of my parish in nurturing my faith as I strive to form my children as disciples through the Catholic school. I will attend Mass on all Sundays and Holy Days. I pledge my cooperation with the parish and its ministries, and I will make every effort to supervise their commitment as well. I understand that my child/ren’s enrollment in a Catholic school is contingent upon the way I practice my faith.

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**Students**

I understand that I am expected to practice my faith every day, whether at home, in school, at work, or with my friends. I will attend Mass on all Sundays and Holy Days. I will participate as a steward in helping support parish ministries and I will support the parish with whatever income I have as well. I understand that as a Catholic, I must use my gifts and talents to perform my best in school, whether in religious, academic, or social activities. I understand that my enrollment in a Catholic school is contingent upon the way I practice my faith.

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*Grade in August 2023*

On behalf of the parish community, I affirm the parish's mission to nurture its active members in the practice of the Catholic faith day by day so that together we may build the Kingdom of God on earth and spend eternity with God in heaven.

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*Pastor's signature*

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