

# Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

## Faith Formation Code of Conduct

- Attendance and participation in Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church Faith Formation demonstrates agreement with the following:
  - **Expectations of the child**
    - Regular attendance to meetings and events is the foundation for children having a full, rewarding experience with Faith Formation. A schedule has been compiled and provided to provide ample notice of meeting and event dates and times.
    - During meetings and events, proper attitude and behavior are critical to children having a positive experience. It is expected that all present are active participants in discussions and other session activities. Respect and courtesy to leaders and peers will always be required. Respect for Church property and the personal property of others is expected.
  - **Expectations of the parents**
    - Faith Formation sessions are only a resource to be utilized by the parents. The actual role of teacher of the faith resides solely with the parents. Parents are strongly encouraged to be actively engaged in the faith lives of their children.
    - Considering the number of options that are available to children and families today, it is very easy for faith development to be cast aside in favor of other activities. Parents are expected to assist their children in prioritization of regular participation in faith formation meetings and events.
    - Periodically, the leadership team will request that parents attend meetings along with their children, please make every effort to attend.
  - **Discipline**
    - After an occurrence of a disruption, leaders will give the child a warning regarding their behavior.
    - If another disruption occurs, leaders will temporarily separate the child from the group so that a more thorough discussion of proper behavior can occur.
    - If a third disruption occurs, parents will be called and asked to attend future meetings and/or events with the child.
    - If the disruptions continue to occur the child will be removed from the group and home-based faith formation options presented to the family.

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### ○ **Emergency Plans**

- **Minor Injury/Illness:** If a child suffers a minor injury or becomes ill, parents/guardians will be contacted to receive permission to provide treatment and/or receive instructions.
- **Major Injury/Illness:** If a child suffers a major injury or becomes gravely ill, 911 will be called. After emergency services have been contacted, parents or guardians will be notified of the situation.
- **Severe Weather:** In the event of a severe weather situation, children will be moved to a designated shelter area and held there until the severe weather situation is concluded.
- **Fire:** In the event of a fire related emergency, children will evacuate via the nearest exit and rally on the driveway of the rectory and remain there until parents/guardians are contacted
- **Trespassers:** Should an unauthorized individual be identified on campus; police will be immediately notified. While police address the trespasser, children will be secured in classrooms until the potential threat has passed.