

September 9, 2009

Hello and Welcome to Holy Angels Religious Education!

We hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable summer and is excited about a new year at RE. In this letter we want to address a few changes and to bring to mind a few of the old rules.

On our website at [www.holy-angels.org](http://www.holy-angels.org) you will find 2 schedules of dates for the year. One that shows the dates for the year, and one that shows our lesson plans for each week per grade level. This year homework will be requested for each missed class from the students in grades 2<sup>nd</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. If your child misses a class, you will log onto our website and find the lesson they would have been learning in that weeks' class. You can also email us at [releducation@holy-angels.org](mailto:releducation@holy-angels.org) if you have any questions about the homework assignments. It is so important that each child keeps up with their religious education, since we only meet for one hour @ twenty-nine times for the year.

After this letter, we will start to send you emails with changes and reminders for the year. So please make sure you are checking your emails on a weekly if not daily basis. The calling post number you filled out on your registration form will be used for meeting reminders and cancellations of classes. You should check for the calling post number to make sure we did not leave a message for a last minute cancellation of class and or meeting.

We are grateful to the teachers and students at Holy Angels School for welcoming us to use their classrooms. Remind your children to be respectful of the other students classroom and desk personal properties. We have had in the past where our RE students removed the students pencils and other personal property and we have had to replace them. This year your child will be asked to sit in an assigned seat.

The children are attending class to learn about being more like Jesus. We expect this to reflect in their Catholic Christian attitude toward their catechist, their classmates, and all those around them. We have had problems in the past with children bullying other children in the classroom. We will be addressing this issue head on this year. If a problem of this nature occurs, we will call parents of both children to settle the situation. We want everyone to enjoy religion class, and not have anyone feel intimidated to attend classes.

Class starts at 6:30 pm and will end at 7:30 pm. However, there may be a time or two when a catechist is running a few minuets late with dismissal; so please be understanding. Please do not drop off your children earlier then 6:25 pm; our catechist have jobs and families and will not be in the room until 6:25 themselves. Also, parents of students grades K-4 must drop off and pick up their children from class. If you have an older sibling that will be picking up/dropping off the younger child, you must let the younger child's Catechist know this.

#### **PARKING LOT!!!!**

We know we sound like a broken record, but please use the school parking lot for dropoff/ pickup. If you are using the street for pickup, stay at least 5ft behind the crossing walk facing Elmwood and do not park anywhere past the crossing walk facing the school. This blocks the visibility of the children to see the on-coming cars when crossing at night. We will block the crosswalk with safety cones to stop cars from driving across the crosswalk for dismissal. The cones will be in place at @ 7:15 on Wednesday nights. Thank you all for your understanding and patience. We know this year will bring many blessings. If you have questions or concerns, do not hesitate to email or call us.

God Bless!!

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