



WALLA WALLA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Parent and Student Expectations

Catholic education is a ministry of the Catholic Church entrusted to local parish communities. This ministry takes specific shape at St. Francis, Assumption, and St. Patrick parishes and in the WALLA WALLA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS which they have established. In a unique way, Catholic school education ministry requires cooperation among parishioners, parents, students, and school faculty and staff. The effectiveness of this ministry depends directly on the practice of faith: personally, in the home and in a faith community. What one student or family does in the practice of their faith touches all others in the school community. The education of a student is a partnership between the parents and the school. Just as the parent has the right to withdraw a child if desired, the school administration reserves the right to require the withdrawal of a student if the administration determines that the partnership is irretrievably broken.

In light of shared responsibility integral to the success of the mission of the Walla Walla Catholic Schools, all parents and students are expected to participate in school life. Additionally, it is strongly encouraged that all families be active members of a parish or an identifiable community of faith. These acts of participation incarnate the values and beliefs that students learn in our schools.

Evidence of participation by parents and students in school life is given by:

- Following rules and regulations of the Walla Walla Catholic Schools (See Student/Parent Handbook)
- Provision of a home environment that fosters the philosophy and values of Catholic education
- Speaking and acting respectfully regarding school and parish personnel
- Home use of the fundamental principles of discipline and conflict resolution which are exercised at school
- Manifesting a sense of respect for the welfare and dignity of others
- Contribution of time and talent toward school activities, especially through the Family Service Program
- Attendance at general meetings of school parents, including Home and School or Boosters
- Participation in school fundraising activities
- Following established structures and processes for resolving difficulties, misunderstandings, conflicts or grievances with students, teachers, principals or school administrators (See Student/Parent Handbook)

Evidence of participation by parents and students in the life of their parish/faith community is given by:

- Registration as members of the parish/faith community.
- Regular (Ideally weekly) participation at Sunday Mass (or weekend worship services) in their home parish/community.
- Participation (by Catholics) in the sacramental preparation programs offered by their parish.
- Fostering the ministries of the parish/faith community through the gift of time and talent.
- Providing measurable financial support to the parish/faith community.



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The CURRENT WWCS Student/Parent Handbooks can be found in the "Family Resources" section of our website: wallawallacatholicschools.com/family-resources. After reading the Student/Parent Handbook, please review the sections below. We have highlighted these sections as points of emphasis for the 2021-2022 school year.

1. Student/Parent Handbook: I have read the Student/Parent Handbook. After reviewing the Handbook I understand and agree with the following:
 1. I understand that if I have any questions I can contact the school office for further information.
 2. I understand that by signing I agree to the expectations and rules set forth in the Handbook.
 3. I understand that the Principal has the sole and absolute discretion to interpret the Handbook.
 4. I understand that the Principal retains the right to amend the Student/Parent Handbook at any time without prior notice, but with timely notification.
2. Anti-Bullying Expectations: I have read the ANTI-BULLYING EXPECTATIONS in the Student/Parent Handbook and agree to:
 1. Work in collaboration with the school to encourage positive behavior, valuing differences, and promoting sensitivity to others.
 2. Work in collaboration with the school to deal with issues if my child is involved in bullying situations.
 3. Report any bullying that is observed.
 4. Support our efforts toward "Bully-Free Starts with Me" in spirit, word, and deed.
3. Acceptable Use of Technology: I have read the ACCEPTABLE USE OF TECHNOLOGY section in the Student/Parent Handbook and agree to the regulations outlined.
4. Social Media Acceptable Use Policy: I have read the SOCIAL MEDIA ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY section in the Student/Parent Handbook and agree to the regulations outlined.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS A YEARLY CONTRACT. SCHOOL REGISTRATION IS NOT COMPLETE UNTIL THIS FORM IS SIGNED AS PART OF THE REGISTRATION PACKET. CLASSROOM PLACEMENT IS SUBJECT TO SCHOOL POLICIES AND REGULATIONS.

We, parent(s)/guardian(s) and student, have read these expectations and agree to meet them as members of the Walla Walla Catholic Schools community.