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Mission

St. Patrick Catholic School unites with parishes and families in forming faith-filled Christian leaders through Catholic Stewardship, academic achievement, and a celebration of cultural diversity.

Dear Parents,

In an effort for us to continue to develop good stewards, St. Patrick Catholic School has implemented service hours for students in grade 1 through 8 similar to the Catholic High School service program. The form was revised per Bishop Carroll High School's format of service hours mandated for high school students. Please take a moment to discuss possible service opportunities with your child. As your child's primary teacher, parents will need to assist student(s) on any or all service hours so that you can model your own stewardship to them. Your stewardship is vital for the life of the parish, thus your support in this program is of the utmost importance.

Criteria:

1. Service hours are outside of classroom time.
2. Parents are encouraged to assist students with their service hours.
3. **Parents cannot sign their own child's service hours.** It must be another adult at the function, preferably whoever is in charge of the function.
4. If hours are broken up, separate forms must be used for proper authorization.
5. Younger students will require parental assistance to complete the form but not do it for them.
6. Completed forms should be turned in to the student's Religion teacher.
7. These service hours are counted as a test grade for Religion class in the 4th quarter.
8. Incomplete service hours will require completion, even though full credits are not given.
9. Enrollment for next year will not be allowed for those who have not completed their service hours.

Service hours may start to accumulate from now until the due date. Some suggestions are listed below:

- School cleaning
- Weeding the flower beds
- Water the flower pods during summer
- Pick up debris from lawn on campus
- Sweep or Rake the campus from fallen leaves or accumulated pollens
- Set up for various functions throughout the year (Fall Fling, Parish Picnic, Steak Dinner, etc.)
- Clean up for various functions throughout the year (Fall Fling, Parish Picnic, Steak Dinner, etc.)
- Tidy up church after mass
- Stuff bulletin
- Tutoring on Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday (qualified Middle School students only)
- Assist a an elderly parishioner (not a relative) or those in need

Thank you for your help as you and your child strive to be good stewards of God.

God Bless,

Fr. Jerome Spexarth, Pastor

Brandon D. Relph, Principal

For Grades 4-8, half of the service hours are due **December 20, 2017**.
ALL HOURS ARE DUE BY MAY 18, 2018.

