

2020-21 Saint Francis of Assisi Parish Religious Education Homeschooling Policy and Contract

The following is an agreement between Saint Francis of Assisi Religious Education Program and parents/guardians of children participating in the Home School Instruction Program.

TO BE FILLED OUT FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL STUDENT

Student: _____ Parent Email: _____

Home School Grade _____ School Year: _____

Reason for Home Schooling _____

Please read and keep a copy of the Home-Schooling Policy for your reference:

1. The family, children, or designated legal guardian must be registered members of Saint Francis of Assisi Parish. (Receive envelopes)
2. Must have a paid R.E. registration 2020-2021 paid in full on file in the RE office. I understand that I must register my child the same as if he/she were attending RE parish classes and pay the designated fees. The tuition costs cover books, Zoom, on-line resources, and administrative costs.
3. **All children in the Religious Education program are expected to attend weekly Mass and Holy Days of Obligation. Due to COVID restrictions, attending Mass is acceptable by St. Patrick's Cathedral, EWNT or on-line Roman Catholic Mass**
4. Members of Saint Francis Parish are a part of a community; because of this, children and parents/guardians are required to participate in communal activities that are scheduled for families via Zoom, in the Parish Religious Education Program, i.e. Prayer Services, Parent Meetings, Home School parent meetings and retreats.
5. I understand that **I will pick up** from the RE Office all appropriate curriculum materials needed to effectively home school my child (ren). The materials provided are the same texts, supporting documents (syllabus) and online resources that are in use within the Parish Religious Education Program and will be grade specific for each student. **Parents are responsible** for obtaining a RE Calendar and Parent Handbook from the website and keeping up with all scheduled events for RE and Sacramental years. Parents should check website frequently for any changes.
6. I agree to have my child complete the assignments send the results to the RE Office weekly via email.
7. 3rd Grade must attend 3 out of the 4 ZOOM meetings to complete and receive a passing grade. No exceptions to the mandatory ZOOM meetings.
8. All other home school grades must meet with DRE once every other month in small groups to review completed assignments. You must meet with DRE Nov, Jan, March and April. If you miss 2 monthly meetings you will need to repeat the grade.

9. I understand that if, after careful and thoughtful reflection, it is determined that my child (ren) has not successfully completed the required work or have not successfully attained a reasonable level of understanding regarding the curriculum that he/she is studying, the Director of Religious Education may recommend that the religious educational needs of the student may be better served in the formal Parish Religious Education Program at the grade level specified by the Director of Religious Education.

10. As part of the Diocesan policies on Religious Education a child is required to have 30 hours yearly of instruction. Therefore, parents are required to keep a log of hours and hand in copy at the end of the year. It is suggested **Parents are to instruct the child and not sit child down alone with book.**

11. Parents will attend any and all Meetings for the year specifically for homeschoolers.

12. Families will attend **two mandatory** Family Faith Nights via ZOOM or PowerPoint via e-mail. **This is required to complete the homeschool year.**

Home School tuition fees are due upon registration

Please sign the office copy and parent copy.

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

DRE Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Office copy _____ **Parent copy** _____

For Office Use Only:

Family Name: _____

School Year: _____ - _____

Fee: _____ Date: _____

Paid _____ Check # _____ Cash _____

Chapter Reviews and Unit Tests completed and submitted: ____ weekly, _____ Zoom: _____ Unit Test

This student has successfully completed _____ grade Religious Education Curriculum

This student has not successfully completed _____ grade Religious Education Curriculum for the following reasons _____

It is recommended that this child be reinstated in the formal Parish Religious Education program in the following grade _____

Parent did not abide by the policy for the following reason: _____

DRE: _____ Date: _____
Jill Carelli

Pastor: _____ Date: _____
Rev. Steven Clark