SAINT PATRICK STUDENT HANDBOOK 2026-2027



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Saint Patrick School

McCook, Nebraska

School Policies

The following provisions of this handbook address only the specific areas referenced. New situations may arise during the school year that may require the implementation of additional policies and disciplinary actions as well as adjustments of existing policies and procedures. The administration expressly reserves the right to draft, institute and enforce any new policies and to adjust existing policies in order to better effectuate the education of our students. The students and their parents expressly waive any right to contest the administrations right to adopt new policies, approve additional disciplinary actions, and change existing policies.

ACADEMIC NOTICES

Notices of academic conduct/performance will be mailed out to parents after the fourth week of each quarter. Parents are welcome and encouraged to contact a student's teacher at any time regarding questions of academic/conduct performance.

ADMISSIONS/KINDERGARTEN

A child must be **five years of age** on or before July 31ST of the year they begin school, and have the following State requirements before or on the first day of Kindergarten.

- ♣ Proof of identity—certified copy of the child's Birth Certificate.
- ♣ A record of the child's immunization must be completed
- ♣ Completion of a physical examination by a medical physician or health care provider
- ♣ Completion of a vision examination by an eye doctor
- ♣ Home language survey
- ♣ A copy of the child's Baptismal Certificate, if applicable.

ATTENDANCE

Arrival and Dismissal: Parents delivering and picking up students at school are asked to use the south main entrance to the school building. Please make arrangements for your student(s) to arrive at school no earlier than 7:30 a.m., and arrangements made for after school at 3:25. The

school day begins at 7:50 a.m. After a short period in the classroom/homeroom, students leave the school for Mass at church at 8:00 a.m. Students participating in sports after school may remain in the supervised area of practice only.

Absences: A phone call or written excuse stating the reason for absence from school, signed by the parent or guardian, is required for all absences. Please call the school before 8:00 a.m. to notify the office if your child is ill, will be late because of an appointment, or will be leaving during the school day for any reason. The school must be notified of each day's absence. A student who is absent, tardy, or dismissed early from school is responsible for any and all work missed and is expected to inquire about what was assigned. If a child is ill, the time period required for completed assignments will be 2 days for each day absent. All other absences will require assignments completed on time or prior to the absences (unless other arrangements have been made with the student's teacher). It would be very beneficial for the child if medical and other appointments could be scheduled outside of school time. When children leave school for a medical appointment or any other reason, they must be signed out at the office by a parent or an assigned adult and signed in if the child returns during the school day. A note from a physician is required for a student missing 5 consecutive or more days from school. The following constitutes a day or part of a day missed:

- ♣ 2 hours-1/4 of a day
- ♣ 3 to 4 hours -1/2 of a day
- ♣ 5 hours -3/4 of a day

Below are guidelines for student illnesses. Please carefully read the requirements that the state has outlined when a student may return to school. By following these guidelines, we will minimize the spread of illness.

- ♣ Chicken pox: One week out, and then student may return to school when they are symptom-free, no longer have an elevated temperature and the pox are scabbed over.
- ♣ Strep Infections: The students may return to school after being on an antibiotic for 24 hours, and being free of fever for 24 hours
- ♣ Ringworm, impetigo, scabies and conjunctivitis (pink-eye): The student must remain out of school at least 24 hours after treatment has begun.
- ♣ Head lice: The student will be excluded from school until the student has been treated for lice. Re-treatment in ten days and a re-examination is recommended.
- ♣ Any child with a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher will be sent home. The child must be free of fever reducing medications for 24 hours before returning to school.
- ♣ Vomiting/Diarrhea: The student may return to school 24 hours after vomiting and or diarrhea has stopped. If a student is vomiting the night before or the morning of school, please do not send them to school.

It is important for students to be in school each day and on time from the beginning of each school day. Parents will receive written notification from the school office if a student has accumulated 10 absences. The administration will address concerns, develop a plan of action to prevent further absences, and may hold a meeting with parents and the student.

Disciplinary action may be taken at this time. If a student has accumulated 20 absences, parents will receive written notification from the school office. One or more of the following consequences will occur at the discretion of the administration: suspension, expulsion, retention in grade, report to Child Protective Services, or contact the County Attorney's Office.

- ♣ 10 Absences
    - The administration will develop a plan of action to avoid any more absences, and a meeting with parents and the student may occur. Disciplinary action may be taken at this time.
- ♣ 20 Absences
    - One or more of the following consequences will occur at the discretion of the administration: suspension, expulsion, retention in grade, report to Child Protective Services, or contact the County Attorney's Office.

Tardiness: All students are expected to arrive on time for the start of each school day and for Mass at 8 AM. Students will be considered tardy if they are not in Mass when the Entrance Antiphon or the opening song begins. The tardiness will be considered excused if a student has a doctor's note. The tardiness will be considered unexcused in all other instances. 5-8th-grade students will be assigned a 30-minute detention after accumulating 5 tardies, and K-4 students will be assigned 10 minutes after school for every 5 tardies. Administration and teachers may take additional disciplinary action as they see fit. **Tardies reset each semester, not each quarter.**

ACCIDENTS

In the office, we are prepared to treat minor cuts, bumps, and bruises. In case of injury, the student should immediately report to the office. In the event of a serious injury, the child should not be moved, and a school official should be immediately notified. The parents will be notified in case of sudden illness or serious injury. Parents are required to complete an emergency form indicating who should be contacted in case of serious illness or injury to their child if the parent(s) cannot be reached. Any changes to the emergency form must be made to the school office upon change for the safety of your child(ren).

BAND

St. Patrick School offers a single basic symphonic band program which is available to students in the 5th through the 8th grades. If your student is new to Saint Patrick School, they will meet with the band director prior to the start of the semester to determine their skill level and degree of interest in band participation.

Students who choose to participate in band will be enrolled on a semester basis. If a student chooses to discontinue band for a serious reason before the end of the semester, the student's parents must discuss this with the principal and get the principal's permission to drop band and enroll in a different class.

BULLYING POLICY

It is the belief of St. Patrick School that every student has the right to an education in a safe environment. Bullying and intimidation have a negative effect on the social, emotional, spiritual, and academic development of our students. It is the policy of St. Patrick School that any form of bullying behavior, whether in the classroom, on school property, or at school-sponsored events, is unacceptable. Students who engage in such behavior are subject to disciplinary action. The severity of the offense and the child's age dictate the appropriateness of the consequences. Corrective action may include parent notification, counseling, detention, short or long-term suspension, or any other appropriate consequence. Police may be contacted, and charges may be filed for serious infractions. It is at the administration's discretion to determine whether bullying has occurred.

CELL PHONES

Cell phones, smartwatches, and other electronic or musical devices are not to be used in school during regular school hours, 7:50 am- 3:25 pm. All such items must be turned in to either the homeroom teacher or the school office until the student leaves the property. Classrooms will have a secure place to hold the phone all day. There is a phone in the school office for emergency student use. Violating this policy will result in the watch or electronic device being confiscated and taken to the main office. A parent or legal guardian must then come to school to retrieve the item.

Use of cell phones during school hours (including text messaging) is forbidden. Failure to comply:

- First offense will result in the cell phone/watch being turned into the school office, the parents picking up the cell phone from the administration, and the student serving a one-hour detention.
- For the second offense, the student will serve a one-hour detention; the cell phone/watch will be turned into the school office and kept for a period of one week, after which the parents may pick it up following a conference with the school administration.

COMMUNICATION

School closing information: In the event of inclement weather, the school will close. Ordinarily we will close whenever the McCook Public Schools close, however, it is at the discretion of our administration. Parents are urged to listen to a local radio station for an announcement of closing when conditions are threatening.

The SCHOOLMESSINGER alert system will be used to notify you of school closure or late start. Please make sure your phone numbers are current in the school office and in PowerSchool.

CONDUCT AND COURTESY

Our Lord Jesus Christ commands that we show our Christian Charity and respect to everyone. Therefore, at all times each student is expected to show courtesy and respect to each other, the members of the school staff, visitors and parents at St. Patrick School. The staff is expected to show the same courtesy that is demanded of the students.

An orderly school environment is essential for the promotion of academic achievement and an atmosphere in which students and teachers feel safe both physically and emotionally. Students are expected to come to school to learn and take advantage of healthy social activities in a socially acceptable manner. Any behavior that reduces the chance of learning for the individual, the group, or others will not be permitted. Actions will be taken regarding student behavior which are reasonably necessary to aid the student, further school purpose, or prevent interference with the educational process.

The ultimate responsibility for children's behavior rests with parents/guardians. However, children at the elementary level need to begin to develop their own self-responsibility and self-discipline. They have the responsibility not only to make a maximum effort toward academic achievement but also must make an effort toward proper Christian behavior. The school's Code of Conduct will be made known to students at the beginning of each school year. In addition to the above, each classroom teacher will have his/her own classroom discipline policy which will include expected standards of behavior for that class. Any teacher or authorized adult may reprimand any student who exhibits unacceptable behavior at school or during school-related activities.

TEACHER/PARENT CONSULTATIONS

Teachers are happy to make appointments to conference with parents at any time regarding their child's academic and/or behavioral performance. Parents are encouraged to make appointments with the teachers for this purpose at times which are mutually convenient. All teachers are generally available right after school between 3:30 and 4:00 P.M.

Parent/teacher conferences are held twice during the first and third quarters.

DAMAGED PROPERTY

No student may intentionally damage or destroy school, parish, or private property. The student will be required to pay the replacement cost of any such destruction.

If a student accidentally damages or destroys school, parish, or private property he/she will be required to pay the replacement cost of any destruction without any disciplinary action.

DISCIPLINE PLAN

(Grades K - 8)

The discipline policy of our school has been developed to create an environment for our students that is safe and conducive to learning and is designed to encourage goodness and discourage misbehavior. The administrator reserves the right to waive and/or deviate from any and all disciplinary regulations for just cause at his or her discretion.

Three Knights' Rules govern the daily interaction and success of all members of the St. Patrick School Community. They are:

1. *Respect God, yourself, others, and your school.*
2. *Contribute to the learning environment.*
3. *Follow school and classroom procedures.*

General School Behavior

1. When in the hallways, please be aware of other students' learning environments. Please keep voices lowered and activity to a minimum.
2. Be courteous to all students and staff of St. Patrick's.
3. Lunchroom and playground rules need to be observed for everyone's benefit. Failure to do so may result in privileges being revoked and/or disciplinary action.
4. Show respect towards all school personnel and property.
5. Follow all teacher's/administrator's/staff's directives.

Classroom

1. Follow directions.
2. Speak and listen courteously.
3. Keep hands, feet, etc. to yourself.
4. Please raise your hand to speak or leave seat.
5. Work quietly.

If students need to receive disciplinary action for their misbehavior, the school will use a combination of time-out, time after school, or detention. All teachers have the authority and responsibility to maintain discipline in the classroom. School discipline policies are established school-wide, and we will make a concerted effort to enforce them consistently.

Your student's teachers will not accept behavior from any student that would stop them from teaching or stop any other student from learning.

Kindergarten through 4th Grade

Disciplinary action will take into account the student's age and the seriousness of the infraction. For younger children (preschool—4th grade), most infractions will be handled by, but not limited to, time-outs, office referrals, loss of recess, time after school, and contacting the parents. In the second semester, 4th-grade students will receive demerit cards as a transitional period to the 5th-8th grade demerit card system.

5th through 8th Grade
Junior High Discipline Policy

At St. Patrick School, we want to help middle school students develop strong study habits, discipleship, responsibility, and appropriate behavior to prepare them for success now and in high school. Students who do not follow expectations set forth for their behavior and academic work may receive demerits/ detentions at any time they are on school property.

Students must carry their demerit cards at all times during the school day. Demerits are issued for the following reasons: tardiness, inappropriate behavior, minor disturbance, dishonesty, failure to follow directions, inappropriate disagreement or refusal to accept consequences/criticism, offensive language/gestures, excessive talking, disrespect, and others. Demerits are given at the staff's discretion. If circumstances warrant, automatic detention or another consequence may be imposed. Students who choose not to follow these rules will face consequences, such as suspension from sports and school-sponsored events.

Demerit Policy

- **Lost Demerit Card**: A 30-minute detention will be assigned. The new card will include previous demerits, and an additional demerit will be issued for being unprepared.
- **Five Demerits (Full Card)**: A 30-minute detention after school.
- **Ten Demerits (Two Full Cards)**: A 1-hour detention after school.
- **Fifteen Demerits (Three Full Cards)**: A 1-hour detention, along with a meeting with teachers and administration. Parents will be notified and are encouraged to attend.
- **Twenty Demerits (Four Full Cards)**: A 1-hour detention and a meeting with teachers, administration, and parents.
- **Twenty-five Demerits (Five Full Cards)**: One day of in-school suspension. This will be documented on a contract.
- **Thirty Demerits (Six Full Cards)**: Two days of in-school suspension, with a 50% reduction on all assignments. A meeting with parents and administration will be held.

Detentions: When a student's behavior is deemed worthy of detention, the student will spend one (1) hour after school under the supervision of the teacher or principal who issued the detention. Detentions will be served as soon as possible. Students receiving detention will be given a “pink slip” that describes the behavior that led to this punishment. A copy of this detention slip will be sent to the parents.

Misconduct that may suggest detention may include, but is not limited to:

- ♣ Disrespect of the Blessed Sacrament.
- ♣ Any behavior which is unbecoming of a Catholic/Christian student and is harmful to the reputation of St. Patrick Catholic School.
- ♣ Physical or emotional injury to another person through thoughtlessness, association or passive acceptance. (#1 NE School Law)
- ♣ Destruction of school property or the property of another person. (#2 NE School Law)
- ♣ Stealing, cheating, deceit. (#3 NE School Law)
- ♣ Fighting(#3 NE School Law)
- ♣ Possession, sale or use of drugs, cigarettes, alcohol, knives, guns, dangerous toys or other possible weapons. (#4 NE School Law)
- ♣ The use of obscene or profane speech or gestures or possession of obscene materials.(#6 NE School Law)
- ♣ Any language or behavior that constitutes sexual harassment.
- ♣ Show disrespect to school personnel, volunteers, other adults at school or fellow students. (#6 NE School Law)
- ♣ Any behavior which disrupts the school climate or learning environment. (#1 NE School Law)
- ♣ Leaving school without permission during school hours. (#7 NE School Law)

Disciplinary Process

Students can and will receive an immediate detention for behaviors warranted. Below is the outline of how these detentions will be handled.

1. After a student has received three detentions, he/she will be asked to meet with the Chief Administrative Officer and Principal. Parents will be notified, through a letter, that the student will be meeting with the administration and that they will be invited to attend the meeting.

2. When a student receives a sixth detention, the student and parents are required to meet with the Chief Administrative Officer and Principal. The conferees will review the detentions and ask questions concerning reasons for discipline problems and the student’s intention toward correction of behavior. They will also recommend options to help the student adjust behavior to meet school discipline requirements.

3. When a student receives a seventh detention, he/she will be placed on two days of in-school suspension, and the principal will send home a letter informing the parents of the situation.

4. When a student receives an eighth detention, the student will be placed on out-of-school or in-school suspension, as determined by the administration, for a minimum of three days. A conference will be held with the students, parents, and administration.

5. When a student has received nine detentions, the student will be placed on out-of-school suspension for a minimum of three days, and he/she will not be allowed further participation in athletics or other school activities (this can also include eighth-grade graduation ceremony) for the remainder of the school year.

6. When the student receives a tenth detention:

    a. The Chief Administrative Officer dismisses the student on the grounds that the student is failing to take responsibility for self-discipline and behavior. After repeated conferences and attempts to help, the student is deemed detrimental to the maintenance of a favorable learning atmosphere in the school for self and other students.

    b. Following consultation with the Principal and Chief Administrative Officer, the student may outline a special probationary program for the remainder of the school year, listing the conditions under which the student may continue to be enrolled at St. Patrick's. The student and the parents will receive a copy of this. Failure to abide by the terms of the contract will result in automatic dismissal.

    c. If at any time it is deemed necessary, an outside professional may recommend a student for evaluation by the administration.

    d.

Suspension/Dismissal: A student can be suspended from school for any major offense. There are two kinds of suspension: a) in-school and b) out-of-school.

a) In-school suspension means the administration regulates or curtails the student's schedule during the day. The parents and pastor will be informed of the action being taken.

    Participation in school-related activities during the period of in-school suspension is subject to the administration's decision.

b) Out of school suspension means that the student is not allowed to attend school and to participate in school related activities during the period of time he/she is

suspended. Parents and pastor will be informed of any suspension, and parents will be asked to come for a conference prior to the student's re-admission. The student will be re-admitted to school after he/she has rectified the situation causing the suspension and indicated his/her willingness and determination to abide by school regulations.

The school administration reserves the right to suspend or dismiss any student whose conduct or effort is considered detrimental to self or others.

Following are some reasons a student may be expelled (this is not an all-inclusive list)**:**

- ♣ Physical contact by a student that can be reasonably construed as improper should be avoided at all times.
- ♣ No student may have in his/her possession, on school property or in the proximity of the school at any time, any weapon, explosive, or other potentially dangerous items.
- ♣ No student may intentionally damage or destroy school, parish or private property. (See damaged property section.)
- ♣ No student may have in his possession, on school property at any time, illegal controlled substances, such as illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages, tobacco or e-cigarettes.

Teachers, administrators, and staff have the right to search desks, lockers, and personal belongings, including cell phones, backpacks, gym bags, and purses, at any time for sufficient reason. Any items found that are inconsistent with the school's Catholic goals may be removed.

Re-admission: Students dismissed from St. Patrick School may apply for re-admission the following semester, provided they have not been dismissed for criminal or violent acts. Re-admission will be based on acceptable levels of behavior and academic work in the school attended after St. Patrick School.

Grievance Procedures: Complaints will be handled in the following way:

1. If a parent has a concern, the individual should first make an appointment with the teacher to seek a solution.

2. If the matter cannot be resolved satisfactorily, the parent should contact the principal for an appointment to discuss the situation.

3. The principal may schedule a joint meeting with the persons involved.

4. If the concern is still not resolved, the principal will contact the Chief School Administrative offer to discuss the matter. A meeting with the persons involved may follow this.

DRESS CODE

Research reveals that the type of clothing worn by students affects their performance, attitude and discipline in the classroom. Therefore, St. Patrick Elementary School does have a dress code, governed by norms of good taste and decency, and promoting dress appropriate for the "work" of education.

At school, clothing that is clean, neat, attractive, and modest is always encouraged, as it promotes self-respect and an atmosphere of respect for others.

Modesty: "Purity requires modesty, an integral part of temperance. Modesty protects the intimate center of the person. It means refusing to unveil what should remain hidden." (CCC #2521) "Modesty is decency. It inspires one's choice of clothing. It keeps silence or reserve where there is evident risk of unhealthy curiosity. It is discreet." (CCC #2522) (Catechism of the Catholic Church - CCC)

For all students K – 8, coats and jackets are to be kept in cubbies or lockers during instructional time. Solid color cardigan sweaters with no hoods may be worn in classrooms.

All students in grade K-8 need to have a green St. Patrick Polo shirt. These are worn at programs, field trips, special occasions, etc.

On School Picture Day, please wear your favorite polo. Dress code will be followed for school photos.

Shirts: Polo shirts should be worn. They may be long or short sleeved of any solid color and/or stripes without logo or brand insignia or other writing. Our St. Pat's solid green polo shirt may also be worn at any time. The shirt should be buttoned up, with just the top button open. Short sleeves should be long enough to cover the shoulder and come down to the mid bicep.

During cold weather, a turtle neck, or long sleeve T-shirt can be worn under the polo shirt as long as it is free of any lettering and advertisement anywhere on shirt (ie neck and/or sleeves). (No waffle style thermal shirts under the polo.) Solid color cardigans with no hood may be worn over the polo.

Pants: Dress pants/slacks in navy, tan, gray or black without cargo pockets. NO denim or cargo pocket style slacks/pants. No stretchy/spandex/jegging pants/slacks. All shorts/capris/pants must have zippers. Corduroys in navy, khaki/tan, or black without cargo pockets may be worn.

Shorts/Capris: Dress capris (no denim) in navy, tan/khaki, gray, black without cargo pockets (must be below the knee), and uniform shorts in tan, navy, gray, or black can be worn from April 1 through October 31. Any brand of uniform shorts may be found on many sites, including Wal-Mart, Target, Old Navy to Lands End, and all are acceptable. Shorts may be plain front or pleated, have zippers, and are usually described as school uniform shorts or uniform Bermuda shorts. Bermuda shorts must be solid colors only in tan, navy, or black. The appropriate length of shorts is no shorter than 2-3 inches above the top of the knee nor longer than the knee. No cargo pockets, denim material, or stretchy spandex/jeggings are not allowed.



- ♣ Shoes of your choice, must be closed toe, and cover the heel. Heel straps are acceptable. Flip flops are not allowed.
- ♣ Socks/stockings are required at all times in the school.
- ♣ No open toe socks, no half socks. (The foot and toes must be covered).
- ♣ Non-marking tennis shoes for use in the gymnasium.

Gym Shoes: Each student must have at school a pair of non-marking tennis shoes that are worn any time the student uses the gym. These shoes should be used only in the gym and not be worn elsewhere. Failure to have these shoes will eliminate the student from participating in gym activities, and in the case of P.E. class, this will negatively affect their grade.

Exceptions to the Student Dress and Uniform Policy are as follows:

JEANS DAY - Students may wear a shirt of their choice and blue jeans. The blue jeans must be clean and neat, with no holes or worn-through areas and no cargo pockets. Jeggings or leggings (without a zipper) are not allowed.

Inappropriate to the Dress Code:
Dresses, skirts, button-up dress shirts/blouses are not allowed except on the occasional special dress-up day. Students will be notified when these days are.

Shoulders/arms are to be covered to mid-bicep. Pins, broaches, and stickers are not allowed. Shirts may not be tied back with ponytail holders or rubber bands.
Logo or brand insignia or other writing on polo shirts is not allowed. All polo shirts must be long enough that when a student bends over or raises their arms over their head, the shirt does not reveal their midriff.

Denim or cargo pocket style, stretchy/spandex and jegging pants/slacks are not allowed. All shorts/ capris/pants must have zippers. All slacks, pants, capris, and shorts should be worn around the waist. No saggy slacks, pants, capris, and shorts. Belts are not mandatory, but recommended. Belts are required if the slacks/pants cannot stay up where they should be without a belt.
Skorts, scooter skirts, board shorts, crop pants, wind pants, leggings, warm ups, tear-away pants, zip-off pants, sweat pants, any and all types of athletic pants, baggy pants, pants that are too big around the waist, pants that are too long (dragging on the floor), hip huggers, low riders, etc. are not allowed.

If a student comes to school wearing inappropriate clothing, they will be given a polo shirt and school pants to change. This should be a rare situation.

Third offense and so forth: Automatic hour detention and parent conference with administration. Please help us set the proper tone, even before your student leaves the house. Catholic education is blessed and vitally important. Modesty is essential to following Christ. Christ is at the heart of our school.

Body piercing and tattoos are not allowed. The 5th commandment includes reverence for our bodies.

Earrings - Girls may have earrings that are not excessive or a distraction. Boys may not wear earrings.

Hair Styles – Boys' hair is to be trimmed neatly in a simple style - not to touch the shirt collar or fall below the eyebrow. Facial hair must be clean-shaven. Hairstyles that can be a distraction in a school environment, such as Mohawks or ponytails for boys, are not allowed.

Bright or unusually colored hair must not be a distraction from a learning environment.

FIELD TRIPS

Throughout the school year, classes may go on educational field trips. Parental permission is necessary for the school to transport our students to any school-sponsored activity. Parents sign a general permission form. Parents will be notified each time a field trip is planned.

FINES

Sometimes a penalty or a fine is the only effective deterrent for certain types of student behavior.

St. Patrick School assesses a $1.00 fine for students throwing snowballs, rocks, etc. 5/6/7/8-grade teachers may allow gum chewing in class. This privilege can/will be taken away if chewed gum is a distraction or found under desks/chairs/lockers/floors. Gum will not be allowed in music or band.

Students in grades 5, 6, 7, and 8 are not allowed to keep food/candy/pop in their lockers. Lockers may be checked periodically, and these items will be thrown away.

K-4 students are not allowed to chew gum anywhere on school grounds. We ask parents to cooperate in this regard when sending treats to school.

Students who fail to bring a COVERED textbook to class will be fined $1.00 per day, per book.

FIRE, TORNADO and LOCKDOWN DRILLS

Fire drills are held at least once a month, in accordance with State Law. Civil Defense and Tornado and Lockdown Drills are held periodically during the school year.

GRADING

The grades students receive never place a value on the person since God is our creator, and we are good and beautiful in His sight. Grading is a measurement of the student's competency in a particular area of study. The following scale will be used for grading:

K – 5 Special Classes Grading Scale

Highly **S**atisfactory
Doing **W**ell
Satisfactory
Needs **I**mprovement
Experiencing **D**ifficulty

1 – 8 Grading Scale

A+	99-100%	C+	83-84%
A	95-98%	C	79-82%
A-	93-94%	C-	77-78%
B+	91-92%	D+	75-76%
B	87-90%	D	72-74%
B-	85-86%	D-	70-71%
		F	Below 70%

HOMEWORK

Homework provides your child with an excellent opportunity to master various skills. Therefore, homework is a necessary and important part of the learning process. The teachers of our school assign homework that will reinforce the concepts and lessons given in the classroom. Grading and assessment of homework provides the teacher with important information to help your child learn as much as possible. If students have difficulty with homework assignments, our teaching staff is available to further instruct and encourage children to master the assigned material. In the case that a student does not complete his/her homework, our teachers will follow the proper avenues through our Opportunity to Improve (O.T.I.) Program.

Opportunity To Improve (O.T.I.) Program: The O.T.I. Program was implemented by our school for grades 5-8 to help students develop good study habits and accountability for assigned homework. The program will take place Monday through Friday. The program is designed to encourage students to get their work in on time, all the time. The consequences for late work

will result in the student participating in the O.T.I. program and a 10% same day grade reduction on the assigned work or a 20% grade reduction the next morning. Our ultimate goal is to have every student come to class prepared with their books and assignments and get all of his or her assigned work completed and turned in when it is due.

OTI Guidelines: The following detailed description will help explain how the O.T.I. program will work. When a student fails to turn in a completed assignment at the time it was due, the following occurs:

- ♣ The student's teacher will fill out and sign a triplicate O.T.I. form. The white copy of the form will be given to the student to bring home. The other copies go to the O.T.I. teacher and classroom teacher.
- ♣ The student will telephone a parent/guardian to inform them he/she will be participating in the O.T.I. program.
- ♣ There will be no intercom message reminding students that they have O.T.I. It is the student's responsibility to be in the O.T.I. room by 3:30.
- ♣ The student must serve a one time O.T.I. after school that day.
- ♣ When the student is assigned O.T.I., he/she will stay for a minimum of thirty minutes regardless if the student completes his/her assignment prior to the O.T.I. period or during the first few minutes of O.T.I. The student will be allowed to read a book or work on something else once he/she has shown that assignment is complete.
- ♣ Attendance will be taken by the O.T.I. supervisor and assignments will be completed and turned into the supervisor by 4:00 p.m. and receive a grade reduction of 10%. If an assignment is not completed by 4:00 p.m., the student must complete the assignment at home. The completed assignment must then be turned into the classroom teacher before school starts the next morning and receive a grade reduction of 20%.
- ♣ If the assignment is not completed the next morning, the student will need to participate in the O.T.I. program again that day with a grade reduction of 20%.
- ♣ Parents are responsible to ensure their son or daughter has a place to go after O.T.I., or make arrangements to pick them up. The O.T.I. supervisor will leave by 4:15 p.m.
- ♣ The student will stay busy the entire period for the O.T.I. time to count. Any misbehavior or disrespect shown by a student during the O.T.I. period will result in discipline consequences.
- ♣ If a student fails to attend an O.T.I. session or complete the above guidelines he/she will receive a "Double". A Double requires a student to attend an additional two sessions the following two days regardless if there is an athletic contest. The grade reduction remains at 20%. After the following two days the grade will be a zero.
- ♣ If a student fails to complete a Double then he/she will receive a 60 minute detention (3:25 p.m. - 4:25 p.m.) that day and serve 2 addition days of OTI and the next 2 days.

Failing Grades addressed with OTI: Any student failing two or more classes will attend O.T.I. for a minimum of one week. As long as the student's grades remain below 70% in two or more classes he/she will be required to attend O.T.I.

Absences and Illness: If a student is absent due to illness for a full day, it is the student's responsibility to make up any work or tests missed due to absences. Students will be given two days for make-up for each day they are absent. For example, if a student is sick on Tuesday, the assignments for that day will be due on Thursday. If those assignments are not turned in by Thursday, the student will participate in the O.T.I. program.

If a student comes to school late (whether due to illness or an appointment), they are expected to get the work they missed. That work will be due the next day.

OTI Coupons: Each student in grades 5 through 8 will receive one coupon per semester that may be redeemed for one assignment throughout the year. If a student has a late assignment on a certain day, he/she may use a coupon and not stay for the O.T.I. program. The student will still receive the 10% reduction if the paper is turned in the same day or a 20% reduction if the paper is turned in the next school day. Students are encouraged to save their coupon for emergency situations. Students will also be given 3 locker passes for forgotten work for each semester.

Game Days and OTI: If a student receives an O.T.I. on a day of a game, the student may attend the game if eligible but must serve the O.T.I. the next day. If a student receives a "Double" on a game day, the student will not be able to go to the game with the team and must serve their O.T.I. after school.

Changes in OTI: The administration and staff reserves the right to make changes to the O.T.I. program during the school year to insure that the program benefits students. Any changes made will be announced to students in advance. Also, teachers will have discretion with student assignments and involvement with the O.T.I. program.

The O.T.I. program will begin on the Monday, August 26, 2024. Our goal with the O.T.I. program is to help ensure students at Saint Patrick get the best education possible. Helping students develop responsibility and accountability in the classroom will make them more productive, happier, and self-fulfilled individuals in God's kingdom.

HONOR ROLL

The following subjects in 5th through 8th grade will count toward the Honor Roll: English, Math, Reading, Religion, Science, and Social Studies. Students have these six subjects daily, five times per week.

An honor roll will be determined for each quarter. The honor roll divisions are:

1) **St. Patrick Scholars**. To qualify, students must have an "A" in the six subjects listed above. No grades in the six core classes may be below a 95%.

2) **"A" Honors**. Students who qualify for "A" Honors must have an "A" average with no grade below 93% in the six core subjects.

3) **"A-B" Honors**. Students must have no grade below 85% in the six core subjects.

Students cannot have any grade in any subject C- or below C- to qualify for the above honor roll categories.

4) **Knights' Honorable Mention:** Qualification for the Knight's Honorable Mention: Four grades of at least A- or B- for the respective Honor Rolls. No Grade in any subject C- or lower.

LIBRARY/MEDIA CENTER

Students are reminded that library books are the property of the lender, thus, damaged or lost books must be replaced by the borrower.

LUNCH PROGRAM

Students may eat lunch either at school or at their homes. The school office is to be notified if students will be going to their homes for lunch, by a written note from the parent prior to the student leaving. All students are welcome to participate in our Hot Lunch Program at St. Patrick School. Lunches for students in grades K - 5 cost $3.60 and $3.80 for grades 6 – 8 plus 85¢ for an extra milk and 75¢ for seconds. The cost for an adult is $6.00. (Prices subject to change over summer break).

No restaurant/fast food or pop may be brought into the cafeteria during Hot Lunch Program operating hours.

Parents start a student lunch account by writing a check to St. Patrick's Cafeteria at the beginning of the year and the cost of the lunches will be deducted from the account. Parents are asked to send money on a regular basis. A notice will be sent home with your child if your account has a negative balance. *We reserve the right to discontinue lunches for chronic non-payment*. Free and reduced lunches will be issued when the correct forms are filled out by parents and returned to the school office for approval. Please check to see if you qualify for free or reduced lunches. Many grants base their qualification on the number of students receiving free or reduced lunches.

MEDICATION

Prescription drugs and over-the-counter medicines should, whenever possible, be dispensed by a parent or guardian. An example might be a three-times-a-day dosage, which could be given before school, after school, and at bedtime. All prescription and/or over-the-counter medication must be in the original, labeled container when brought to the school office. The prescribing doctor's name must be on all prescriptions.

No prescription and/or over-the-counter medication will be administered unless accompanied by the completely filled-out Medication Permission Form with the following information:

- ♣ Student's Name and Date
- ♣ Complete Name of Prescription/Medicine
- ♣ Amount of Dosage
- ♣ Times to be given/how often to be given
- ♣ The length of time the student will be taking
- ♣ Authorized parent/guardian signature permitting the dispensing.

Students are not permitted to keep medication (including cough drops) in their desks or lockers. All medications are locked in the sick room. Adult strength acetaminophen and Ibuprofen are available in the sick room and can be given with parental consent (phone call). We also have cough drops available for students.

MEDIA/PUBLICATIONS RELEASE

Occasionally, the students of St. Patrick School are chosen to publish their writing/artwork in contests and events. In addition, there may be occasions when students are photographed or recorded for television, newspaper, website, or radio coverage. If a parent objects to this, please indicate on the permission form at the beginning of the year.

NOTIFICATIONS

Newsletter: A school newsletter containing items of interest to students and parents will be available on the school's website on the first of each month at https://www.stpatrickmccook.com/. The newsletter typically features information about the various aspects of our Catholic School Program, including monthly menus, timely updates, and photos.

Notes: Classroom and individual notices and reminders will be sent home periodically. The notes are generally sent by email in Messenger, with occasional paper notes sent home with students.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

St. Patrick School considers its parent volunteers as a very significant and special resource. Each family is encouraged to perform at least 20 hours of school service. A notification of Parents Partnership Sign-Up Genius will be sent periodically for opportunities to help. Your help in all classrooms, programs, and extra-curricular activities is always appreciated. Parents, please drop in or call the office if you have time or skills you can donate to make our school a better place for students to grow and learn. Areas where parents could help are: correct papers, help in classroom, lunch room help and supervision, clean, sponsor activities, etc.

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Electronic devices - game boys, cell phones, I-pods, etc.- are very expensive. St. Patrick School is not responsible for the loss of such items, and they cannot be used during school hours.

RELEASE OF RECORDS

St. Patrick School maintains records on all students. Parents in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, may review their child's permanent file. Records are sent to the receiving school at the time of transfer or graduation when a request of records is signed by a parent or guardian.

REPORT CARDS

Report Cards are issued following the completion of each nine-week grading period. This report contains information about each student's academic progress, behavior, and attendance. Parents should carefully review their child's progress and contact the school if they have questions about grades or performance.

SCHOOL SPONSORED SOCIALS

St. Patrick School encourages students to participate in age-appropriate parties/socials, which neither encourage premature dating nor ignore the necessity of wholesome socialization.

The following guidelines will apply to all school-sponsored parties:

- ♣ Only St. Patrick students in Grades 6th, 7th and 8th will be admitted to the parties.
- ♣ No early departures or re-admissions.
- ♣ Students who have filled more than two demerit cards will not be permitted to attend.
- ♣ Students with 2 failing grades will not be permitted to attend.
- ♣ Sponsors should consist of at least four adults and school personnel.
- ♣ One adult sponsor should be stationed at the entrance area.
- ♣ Parties shall end no later than 9:00 P.M.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

St. Patrick School offers a variety of girls' and boys' athletic activities, which are made available to students in grades 6, 7, and 8. St. Patrick School is proud of the students, coaches, sponsors and moderators who make our school's activities a success. Success cannot always be measured by the wins and losses, but must be measured by the satisfaction and educational experiences received by the participants. At the same time, the primary mission and responsibility for each student is to establish a firm academic foundation. Students must remember they are a student first, then athlete. Students are required to ask for work they will miss while attending sporting events.

These sporting events are important to the athletes' educational experience and promote school spirit and pride. Participation is a privilege that carries with it responsibilities to the school, to the team, to the student body, to the community, and to the Church. In their performance and in their conduct, they are representing all these groups. As representatives of St. Patrick School, participants are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which exemplifies good manners, respect, and sportsmanship at all practices and contests.

Students are required to have a physical examination prior to participation in our sports programs. No athlete will be able to participate in practice until his/her completed physical examination form has been turned in to the head coach or school office.

Attendance at all practices is required, unless special arrangements have been made with the coach and/or administration of St. Patrick School. If a student is unable to attend practice, he/she must contact the coach before practice begins. Each coach may have specific attendance requirements according to the demands of the activity.

Students are eligible to participate in games when academic work is at least 70% in every class (examples: P.E., Band, Art, Religion, Math, English, etc.) If academic work is below 70%, they will be ineligible to play in the contests but will still be on the team. *Failing grades will be accessed every Monday. The principal/teacher will discuss the grade with the student and a progress note will be mailed home. They are ineligible to play from Wednesday through the next Tuesday.* The ineligible student-athlete shall be expected to attend practices but not at the expense of remedial academic work with the teacher if deemed necessary or as outlined in our O.T.I. If failing two or more classes, they will attend O.T.I. for a minimum of one week. Please make proper arrangements with the teacher (s) and head coach regarding after-school help and attendance at practice.

All equipment checked out to a student is his/her responsibility. Upon completion of the season, the equipment will be checked in. If an item is missing or damaged, the student must pay for it.

We have a cooperative arrangement with McCook Junior High so that St. Patrick School's *7th and 8th-grade athletes may participate in the sports we do not offer.* Our athletes go to the Junior High and practice with and are members of the McCook Junior High team. This arrangement is for boys' football, wrestling, and cross country.

Only the students participating in the athletic activity may be excused from school to attend when events occur during the school day. If a student in 6/7/8th grade chooses not to participate in athletic activities, their attendance at school on the day of athletic activity is required. Student absence will only be excused with a doctor's note. An unexcused student absence will result in an hour detention. *Ineligible students and students serving a "Double" for O.T.I. will remain at school.*

ST. PATRICK SCHOOL UNITY BOARD

Parents need the opportunity to interact with the school's administration and teaching staff. To this end, a School Unity Board is organized to provide a forum for this kind of wholesome inter-leadership and to assist in the programs and activities of St. Patrick School. Membership in the Association is automatic upon registration of a child at St. Patrick School. A board to direct this Association is elected from the members of the Association for a three-year term.

TELEPHONE

The office telephone is available for students to use. The office staff will make a judgment of the importance of the telephone use.

TESTING PROGRAM

Students will take the norm-referenced test, Iowa Assessment Complete Battery Plus, in Grades 1 - 8. Student academic progress is evaluated by quarterly grades issued in the various subjects and by achievement tests administered throughout the year.

TREATS

Students may bring treats to school for special occasions (birthdays, parties, special events) with permission from their classroom teacher. Treats should not be an everyday occurrence.

Treats must be eaten in the classroom in which they are given.

TUITION

Good Shepherd Scholarship: *This scholarship is available to people of all faiths. The application period will begin approximately January of 2026. A notification will be sent when the application process begins.*
No child will be turned away from our school for a lack of finances. We want your child and family in our school system.
Any family may apply for a Local Parish Scholarship, regardless of income. Those who qualify for more than the Good Shepherd Scholarship will receive it through Saint Patrick Schools Tuition Scholarship Fund.
The Diocese and Saint Patrick School do not see your financial information in your application with FACTS. FACTS informs us of the amount for which a family may qualify.
The school will award more in scholarships to those families and students who qualify.

For more information, please visit www.goodshepherdscholarship.com

St. Patrick School tuition for the 2026-2027 school year will be $3060.00, and tech fees will be $440 per child per year for grades K—8.

Tuition assistance may be available by applying for the Good Shepherd Scholarship by March 31, 2026. After this date, local parish scholarships may be available. An account with FACTS will be required to apply for either.

We are pleased to offer FACTS Payment Plans and Grant & Aid Financial Needs Assessment on the same platform.

Enrolling in a FACTS tuition payment plan allows you to select a payment option that best suits your financial needs. The plans listed below are offered by your school. Depending on the start and end date of each plan, they may not always be offered.

Monthly Payments:
Spread your tuition balance over monthly installments.
Payment Methods Offered: Credit Card, Automatic Bank Draft

Semi-Annual Payments:
Pay your tuition in two installments.
Payment Methods Offered: Credit Card, Automatic Bank Draft

Payment in Full:
FACTS is a quick, secure method for paying your tuition balance in full.
Payment Methods Offered: Credit Card, Automatic Bank Draft

Please note, payments made through a credit card are assessed an additional charge for processing.
For more details about the options above, create an online account.

$50.00 Registration Fee will be due at the time of the Payment Plan set up

Simple Steps to Enroll in a Payment Plan and/or Apply for Financial Aid Online:

1. If you have an existing Tuition Payment Plan through FACTS and have already created a user account, please enter your existing username and password and click “Sign In”. You must set up a new payment plan each year.
2. If you are a New FACTS User please select “Create a username & password” to begin.
3. Then click on the Set Up a Payment Plan link or Start Application link.
4. Select the school year for which you will be paying.
5. Complete the steps as prompted.

VACCINATION POLICY

Students must be vaccinated according to state requirements in order to be enrolled in the Diocese of Lincoln Catholic Schools. The only exceptions acknowledged by the diocese are those for medical reasons and for which a physician has signed a waiver form. The Diocese of Lincoln will accept no religious or philosophical waivers. Whenever possible, vaccinations derived from sources other than human fetuses must be used. In the event of a disease outbreak, an unvaccinated child will be asked to leave the building (without prejudice to academic standing) until the disease is contained.

Nebraska Department of Health immunization requirements are:

1. Two to five (2-5) year olds enrolled in a school-based program not licensed as a child care provider.

   4 doses of DTaP, DTP, or DT vaccine; 3 doses of Polio vaccine; 3 doses of Hib vaccine or 1 dose of Hib given at or after 15 months of age; 3 doses of pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine; 1 dose of MMR or MMRV given on or after 12 months of age; 1 dose of varicella (chickenpox) or MMRV given on or after 12 months of age. Written documentation (including year) of varicella disease from parent, guardian, or health care provider will be accepted, and 4 doses of pneumococcal or 1 dose of pneumococcal given on or after 15 months of age.

2. Students entering school for the first time, regardless of grade, students entering 7th grade, transfer students from outside the State of Nebraska, regardless of grade and any foreign students.

   3 doses of DTaP, DTP, DT, or Td vaccine, one given on or after the 4th birthday; 3 doses of Polio vaccine; 3 doses of pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine or 2 doses of adolescent vaccine if student is 11-15 years of age; 2 doses of MMR or MMRV vaccine, given on or after 12 months of age and separated by at least one month; and 2 doses of varicella (chickenpox) or MMRV given on or after 12 months of age. Written documentation (including year) of varicella disease from parent, guardian, or health care provider will be accepted. If the child has had varicella disease, they do not need any varicella shots.

3. Additionally, for 7th Grade only:

   1 dose of Tdap (must contain pertussis booster) – this dose can be received any time after 10 or 11 years of age depending on which brand of vaccine is received.

Any child who has not met the requirements for immunization under state law must first attain the required vaccinations prior to attending.

A certified copy of the student's birth certificate must be presented within 30 days of registration.

A physical examination is required upon entrance to kindergarten, upon entrance to 7th grade, for all transfer students from outside the State of Nebraska, regardless of grade, and for all homeschooled students entering school for the first time, regardless of grade.

All first-time students entering the school system must provide proof of a vision evaluation. This includes kindergartners, transfer students from outside the State of Nebraska, and students entering school for the first time.

Other level students who are transferring from another school should arrange to provide copies of their school/academic records to ensure proper admission, including the following:

a. Registration Form
b. Copy of Certified Birth Certificate
c. Proof of Immunization
d. Physical Examination Report
e. Medical Information Form
f.

VISITORS

Parents are welcome to visit their child's classroom for part of the school day. These occasional visits must be arranged in advance. Parents, like all visitors, are to report first to the office, where they are asked to sign in and receive a visitor sticker badge that must be worn during the visit.

Students from another school who wish to eat with one of our students must be accompanied by an adult, make arrangements with the cafeteria (345-5542), and pay for lunch.

Appendix A

INSTRUCTIONAL TIME

1,032-hour instructional program scheduled for elementary students and, if provided, the 400 hour instructional program for kindergarten students.

St. Patrick School defines instructional time as:

a. Instruction in all academic areas.
b. Library time.
c. Afternoon and morning recess for grades K-4 serving to enhance social development.
d. Field trips and convocations functioning as an extension of classroom instruction in their entirety.
e. Daily prayer and spiritual exercises, attendance at daily Mass and on other special occasions that assist in the formation of the Christian student as defined in the school's philosophy.
f. Participation in school-sponsored sporting events scheduled during the school day.

Time that is not included as Instructional Time:

a. Lunch period which includes eating and the recreational time following lunch.
b. Dismissal time.
c. Travel time to and from sporting events scheduled during the school day.

Appendix C

PRIVACY RIGHTS AND MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

November 2, 1976

The following policy statements are adopted by the Diocese of Lincoln in recognition of the requirements of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and Nebraska State Statutes Section 79-4157.

The Diocese of Lincoln, Office of Education recognizes the right of the student, parent or legal guardian to have access to the contents of student's records, and to examine and challenge the accuracy of information contained therein.

The Principal of each school shall be responsible for maintaining, securing and protecting the confidentiality of all student records.

1. **Cumulative Records:** The Cumulative record of each student shall be accessible to student, parent or guardian for examination, interpretation or challenge. The record shall contain:

   (a) Legal name, birth date and place, sex.
   (b) Parents or guardians' names, addresses and telephone numbers.
   (c) Attendance data.
   (d) Grades and academic work completed.
   (e) Scores on standardized achievement, aptitude or interest tests.

These records shall be maintained permanently. Any other materials regarding students, such as disciplinary records, psychological testing, etc., shall be maintained separately and destroyed when the student graduates or leaves school.

2. **Access to Records:** Only the following have access to records:

   (a) Teachers and counselors, to serve the best educational interests of the students.
   (b) Secretaries and aides as designated by the principal to maintain, record, and file information.
   (c) Employers, other schools, agencies, and institutions of higher learning, upon the written request of parent or guardian.
   (d) Officials of the Judicial system, upon properly issued subpoena or court order. In such case, parents are to be notified of such legal action.

3. **Release of Records:** Procedures for the release of records is to be established by the Board of Education in compliance with the general requirements of the above stated federal and state statutes. Procedures must include:

   (a) Provision for written parental permission before release of any records.
   (b) A system or recording to whom records were released.
   (c) A system of recording school personnel who have used student records.

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATORY POLICY AS TO STUDENTS

The St. Patrick School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions, policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

In accordance with federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity.

Program information may be made available in languages other than English. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication to obtain program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language), should contact the responsible state or local agency that administers the program or USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TTY) or contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

To file a program discrimination complaint, a Complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form which can be obtained online at: https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/USDA-OASCR%20P-Complaint-Form-0508-0002-508-11-28-17Fax2Mail.pdf, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation. The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

(1) Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410

(2) Fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or

(3) Email: program.intake@usda.gov

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Prayer for God's Protection
And Christ's Presence

May Christ shield me today…

Christ with me, Christ before me,

Christ behind me,

Christ in me, Christ beneath me,

Christ above me,

Christ on my right, Christ on my left,

Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit,

Christ when I stand,

Christ in the heart of everyone

who thinks of me,

Christ in the mouth of everyone

who speaks of me,

Christ in every eye that sees me,

Christ in every ear that hears me.

St. Patrick of Ireland (385-461)

Bishop and Missionary

STUDENT AND PARENT ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE HANDBOOK AND ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Please visit https://www.stpatrickmccook.com/

To view updated handbook or request a print version from the office.

This Handbook does not create a contract, implied or otherwise, between Saint Patrick Elementary School and the below-listed parents and student(s). These policies are guidelines only and may be revised at any time, without notice, and at the sole and absolute discretion of Saint Patrick Elementary School. Parents and student(s) acknowledge that student(s) have no contractual right to attend Saint Patrick Elementary School.

We, the parents and students(s) signed below, have received and studied the 2024-2025 Student Handbook and Acceptable Use Policy of Saint Patrick School. We appreciate the need for such guidelines in the very important business of providing an effective Catholic school education for our family. We commit ourselves to uphold and adhere to these standards.

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Parent/Guardian Date

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Parent/Guardian Date

Student(s)

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