

OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

THE STATEMENTS BELOW CONSTITUTE THE ANTI-BULLYING AND ANTI-CYBERBULLYING POLICIES OF OUR LADY OF VICTORY PARISH OF WEST HAVEN, CONNECTICUT. BY SIGNING AND RETURNING THE REGISTRATION FORM AND TUITION PAYMENT, YOU HAVE INDICATED THAT YOU HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS:

Our Lady of Victory Parish Religious Education Program now has anti-bullying and anti-cyberbullying policies. These policies extend to both students and their parents.

The Office of Religious Education, its staff, volunteers, students and parents of students conform to and abide by all laws, acts and statutes of the State of Connecticut pertaining to bullying, cyberbullying, harassment, and intimidation as indicated below:

Sec. 53a-182b. Harassment in the first degree: Class D felony

Sec. 53a-183. Harassment in the second degree: Class C misdemeanor

Sec. 53a-181k. Intimidation based on bigotry or bias in the second degree: Class D felony

Public Act No. 11-232. AN ACT CONCERNING THE STRENGTHENING OF SCHOOL BULLYING LAWS

and any accompanying and/or similar laws, acts, and statutes.

By enrolling your child/children in the Religious Education Program, the Pastor, Director of Religious Education, and volunteer educators (Catechists) have each parent's assurance that no act of bullying or cyberbullying will be undertaken by them or their children. It is understood that the Pastor, Director of Religious Education and Parishes' volunteers are not barred from bringing charges of bullying forward should it be found that a child or adult in the program has taken part in bullying or cyberbullying of a child or an adult. No incidents of bullying of any kind will be tolerated. Should an incident take place, the parties involved may be required to meet with and be questioned by the Pastor of the Parishes, and he may require the dismissal from the program of any offending parent or student regardless of any accompanying legal action against said parent or student.

THE FOLLOWING POLICY REGARDS ATTENDANCE AT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

There are THREE absences allowed without a doctor's note or note from a school principal pertaining to a mandatory school function.

THE FOLLOWING POLICY REGARDS DISCIPLINE IN THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES:

We adhere to a "three strikes policy" when disciplining student behavior. On the second "strike", parents will be called into the office to speak with their child, the teacher and the Director or Pastor. On the third "strike", parents will be called to pick up their child. Child may not return until the following September to repeat the grade level.