

Sacred Heart Cathedral Religious Education

Student Behavior & Disciplinary Action Policy

Appropriate behavior is essential to creating a faith-filled learning environment. Students are expected to be respectful, responsible, and cooperative. Inappropriate, disruptive, threatening, or unsafe behavior may result in disciplinary action.

The goal for every person in the RELIGIOUS ED Program is:

Students Are Expected To:

- Be Religious Ed sent, on time, and Religious prepared for class.
- Participate appropriately in classroom and Church activities.
- Show respect for themselves, other students, teachers, staff, volunteers, and visitors.
- Treat Sacred Heart Cathedral and all RELIGIOUS ED property, equipment, and supplies with care. Families may be responsible for damage or loss.
- Use appropriate language, courtesy, and good manners.
- Follow safety expectations, remain with their assigned group, and walk in hallways and between locations.
- Cooperate with teachers and follow classroom and event guidelines.
- Obtain permission before leaving an assigned group or area.

These expectations apply in all RELIGIOUS ED activities and facilities and will be enforced by the Director, teachers, staff, volunteers, and other adults acting on behalf of the RELIGIOUS ED Program.

Disciplinary Action

Parents and students are responsible for understanding and following these expectations. Consequences will depend on the seriousness and frequency of the behavior and the student's willingness to cooperate.

1. **Reminder and Warning:** The student will be reminded of the expected behavior and given an opportunity to correct it.
2. **Director's Intervention:** Continued misbehavior may result in the student being sent to the Director. The student may return to class if appropriate or remain with the Director for the remainder of the session. Parents will be notified of serious or repeated concerns.
3. **Parent Conference:** If unacceptable behavior continues, parents may be asked to pick up the student and meet with the Director and/or Pastor to determine an appropriate course of action.
4. **Probation:** A student returning to class may be placed on probation until agreed-upon expectations are met.
5. **Suspension or Expulsion:** Continued failure to meet behavior expectations may result in suspension or expulsion from the RELIGIOUS ED Program.

Serious misconduct, threats, weapons, or criminal activity may result in immediate suspension or expulsion. The RELIGIOUS ED Program reserves the right to take immediate action when necessary to protect the safety and well-being of students, families, staff, and volunteers.