



# *St. Isaac Jogues Catholic School*

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*Patricia A. Domagala, Principal*

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## **School Agreement Catholic Teaching on Christian Education**

“Parents are principally responsible for the education of their children. Their role is so important that it is almost impossible to provide an adequate substitute.”

-Vatican II

“The aim of Christian education is the total person, as a child of God, redeemed by Christ, called to full life, now and forever....”

-Pius XI

“Parents have the first right to communicate faith and values to their children, but because of present difficult times, they need the generous support of the Christian Community.”

“The Catholic School is a unique setting where this faith can come alive – be conscious – and active....having teachers who teach by word and example.”

“A primary and explicit goal of today’s Catholic School is to build a living community....Racial and ethnic tensions, and other conflicts, are signs of the absence of this community....Active participation in worship fosters this community.”

“If we are convinced of the value and advantage of a Catholic School, we must be willing to pay for it.”

-American Bishops to teach as Jesus did.

“Our Parish is a community of faith, having an integrated relationship of teaching, worship and service.”

“Our Parish community is most visible at Sunday worship. We know this experience as most important in our life and growth as Catholics.”

“One sub-community of the Parish is the Catholic School. So it is important that our students grow into understanding and experience of themselves as members of the Parish faith community.”

-Archdiocese of Detroit

### Philosophy

We the community of St. Isaac Jogues Catholic School, a spirit-filled, Christian family, believe that we are called to provide:

- 1.) Ongoing faith formation which leads to a living, conscious and active faith
- 2.) An excellent education which not only meets the current needs of students but also prepares them to adapt to a rapidly changing future.

Our faith formation is based on a rich Catholic heritage embodied in our Parish Community. We also recognize that we are part of a global community in which our similarities outweigh our differences.

### Mission Statement

The parents, students, faculty and staff of St. Isaac Jogues Catholic School embrace the opportunity to provide a CHRIST centered environment by emphasizing:

- C:** Challenge and Creativity
- H:** Helping Others
- R:** Responsibility
- I:** Integrity
- S:** Spirituality
- T:** Teamwork

### Commitment

Faculty members, school personnel, and parents must work harmoniously to achieve a comprehensive, Christ centered educational foundation. The role of the parent is a critical component in this process. The future of our school is directly linked to the involvement of the parents in the educational process. The best outcomes result from:

- 1.) Catholic parents sharing faith, worship and mission as active members of a Parish or Community.
- 2.) Parental support of Sacramental preparation programs (First Communion, Penance and Confirmation through:
  - a.) Attendance at all parent classes
  - b.) Lives which reflect the faith of the church
  - c.) Assistance in preparing one's child
- 3.) Parents providing adequate financial support for the needs of their parish, school and its other mission responsibilities.
- 4.) Time and talents donated by parents in the form of service hours.
- 5.) Active parental participation in the parent/teacher conference process.
- 6.) Support of all efforts to stress the importance of respect, reverence, and responsibility as expressed through self-discipline and courtesy to all people.
- 7.) Support of all scholastic and disciplinary policies included with the School Handbook or distributed.

**Please sign the agreement form below, detach and return to school as part of your completed registration packet.**

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## **Registration Agreement 2010/2011 School Year**

*Yes, I agree with the St. Isaac Jogues School Agreement*

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_