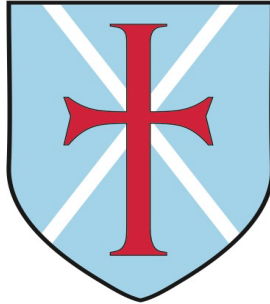


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## **Requirements/Expectations for Parent Nominees**

Saint Andrew Catholic School Advisory Council Nominations are Now Open

### **What is an Advisory Council?**

The school advisory council was one of the most significant developments in Catholic education since Vatican II. The council enables Catholic educators and parents to work closely together for the spiritual, emotional, and intellectual development of students. The council operates in an advisory capacity to the pastor and principal in the formulation of policy to govern the local school.

### **Eligibility Requirements for Parent Advisory Council Members:**

- The nominee's family must be registered members in good standing of a Catholic Church in the Fort Worth Diocese, for at least one year prior to the elections.
- The nominee's family must have been active and contributing time, talent and treasure to a Catholic church in the Fort Worth Diocese for at least one year prior to the elections.
- The nominee must be at least 25 years of age.
- The nominee must be a parent of a child currently attending Saint Andrew Catholic School for a minimum of one year prior to the elections.
- The pastor of Saint Andrew Catholic Church has the final approval of all nominees.

### **Expectation of the Advisory Council:**

- To operate in an advisory capacity as consultants to the pastor and principal in order to help develop quality education programs

### **Expectation of Council Members:**

- Attend regular monthly meetings and additional special meetings or presentations supported by the Advisory Council.
- Participate on a committee and attend committee meetings in addition to regular monthly council meetings

### **The Advisory Council is Supported by the Following Motivations:**

- To promote the concept of lay ministry by participating in the ministry of Catholic education.
- To develop ownership and stability for the future by maintaining well-developed plans and policies.
- To offer financial advice to the pastor and educational administrators by acting as a positive force for dealing with the financial needs of today and planning for the future.
- To develop and defend policy by providing general direction to the principal and by insuring that diocesan education policies are implemented at the local level.
- To serve as a good public relations source by acting as a positive voice on behalf of the Catholic school that the members represent.
- To enable the principal to spend adequate time as an educational leader by participating appropriately in the life of the school.
- To provide parents/guardians with a voice in their children's education by offering a formal forum to participate in the decisions affecting them.
- To encourage strategic planning by assuming planning responsibilities.