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First, I must introduce my family and myself, I am Kiesha Shelton-Harvey and my daughter is Karmin M. Harvey (3rd grade). Our family has been a part of the Saint Andrews Catholic School community for the past six years (Pre-K3 – 3rd grade).

Early on, I made a conscious decision to be an active and involved parent in my daughter's educational experience. I began by serving as classroom liaison for the past four years and volunteering in various capacities.

As an advocate of Catholic Education, I wanted serve in a greater capacity. The SAS Parent Advisory Committee was the perfect avenue to do so. As a first year member of the SAS Parent Advisory Committee, I wanted to take an opportunity to provide an overview of my first year experience thus far. Just like many of you, I received and viewed the various calls to serve on the advisory committee. My primary concern was the three-year commitment, how could I possibly squeeze one more thing into my already busy life. I soon discovered that the committee met one night a month for about an hour and a half. I also learned that my role as a Parent Advisory Committee member was to be the voice of the parent, be available to the parents, and bring forth information that was important for students and parents. Being a member of the SAS Parent Advisory Committee has truly been an act of service. Having the opportunity to collaborate with school and parish administrators on important things that are going on in the school or contribute in the decisions being made regarding many aspects of the school has been invaluable.

I have really enjoyed my first year as an SAS Parent Advisory Committee member and hope that you will consider this wonderful opportunity to serve and represent not only parents but also advocated for the educational experience of SAS students.

Sincerely,

Kiesha R. Shelton, Ph.D.
(Karmin's Mom – 3rd Grade)

SAS Parent Advisory Committee Member