

# Saint Benedict Catholic School Handbook Agreement

Recognizing the responsibility of parents as the primary educator of their children and acknowledging the importance of teaching Christian values by word and example, we the undersigned agree:

**To strive** to maintain a Catholic/Christian atmosphere in our home and to cooperate actively with Saint Benedict Catholic School in maintaining a Christian school community which teaches and reinforces Catholic/Christian values and habits to include: showing respect to everyone, using appropriate/proper language, asking for and receiving forgiveness, being honest, refraining from gossip, and practicing good manners at all times.

**To work** closely with teachers and counselors to derive maximum benefit from our association with Saint Benedict Catholic School.

**To read** and abide by the philosophy, policies and regulations of Saint Benedict Catholic School as outlined in the current handbook and communications to parents.

**To meet** our financial and service responsibilities to the school community in a prompt and fair manner and to participate in the activities and events listed for Family Service Hours.

Any disputes arising out of or relating to this Agreement, performance under this Agreement, or the breach thereof, including all disputes of any nature relating to my child's enrollment and attendance at this school, and including but not limited to the threshold questions of arbitrability and the formation of this arbitration agreement, shall be finally resolved by binding arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association under its rules, and judgement upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The arbitration shall be conducted in the English language in the city of Mobile, Alabama, applying the laws of the State of Alabama. There shall be one arbitrator who shall be selected in accordance with the procedures of the American Arbitration Association. Each party shall pay one half of the cost of the arbitrator. In no event shall punitive damages be awardable by the arbitrator in favor of either party, unless specifically authorized by applicable statute. This provision is continuing in nature and shall remain in force throughout the entire period of my child's enrollment at this school.

BY MY SIGNATURE BELOW, I AGREE TO SEND ANY AND ALL DISPUTES RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, TO BINDING ARBITRATION. I ALSO HEREBY WAIVE MY RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL IF A DISPUTE ARISES IN ANY WAY RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT.

Family Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signatures: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signatures (each student must sign):

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