

## Cell Phones, I-Pads, Technology and Texting



We realize how important cell phones are in the safety of children and parents communicating with each other.

As with your child's school, Saint Raphael Parish School of Religion **prohibits the use** of an I-Pad or cell phone **during class time**. If your child carries a cell phone with them, it must be silenced during PSR class (between 4:10 and 5:30 p.m. / or 6:25-7:45 p.m.) **Texting is prohibited during class**.

If any technology items are in view or turned on during class, the teacher will consider them "in use" and they will be confiscated. The item will be returned to the student after class.

If this behavior happens three times, the student will be sent to the PSR Office and a parent will be called to pick up the phone or device.

**If you have an emergency while PSR is in session, please call the Parish Office at 440-871-1100 and they will get a message to us for your child.**

## ABSENCES

The Diocese of Cleveland requires a 30 week session year for Parish Schools of Religion. For the 2016-2017 school year, we have 30 classes scheduled. **Two absences per child are allowed** without make-up work. Students who miss more than two classes will be required to complete missed assignments and log their progress, in order to get credit for this year of Religion classes on their Permanent Record card (kept on file in the Parish Office).

If your child missed more than two sessions, and you do not contact the teacher, you will be contacted to arrange homework covering material that was missed. We are required to take attendance each week and keep a report of student information at the Parish Office. Your child's attendance record will be verified to you at the end of each semester on their report card. **To report your child being absent**, please call Mrs. Ashley Klug at the Parish Office at **440-871-1100, ext. 136 prior to 3:30 p.m. on Monday**.

## ABSENCE DUE TO ATHLETICS

Sports are beneficial and a regular part of many students lives. Often families have to make the choice between having their child go to practice or attend Religion class to learn more about God. For families that need it, we do offer a **Temporary Home School option** during a sports season.

If it's absolutely necessary that your son or daughter take an extended break from PSR for public school athletics, please contact Miss Telepak at the Parish Office. Arrangements will be made with you and your child's teacher to keep up with the work in their Religion book at home and schedule a date for their return to class. While the student is out of PSR for athletics, the **parent becomes responsible for content that needs to be covered**. If a request is made to switch the child to an alternate PSR time, only one time move is allowed per academic year.

**Students in CYO Athletics** are not allowed to miss PSR class and attend practice instead. CYO teams with PSR students must schedule practice at a time other than during PSR on Mondays. Attendance at PSR is mandatory for students to play in that week's game. A report of PSR attendance is sent to St. Raphael coaches each Tuesday prior to deciding game rosters.