

Dear Parents, Students, and CPS Stakeholders,

Cathedral Parish School has begun the process for reaccreditation known as the School Improvement Plan (SIP). As a member of the Florida Catholic Conference (FCC) we are reaccredited every seven years to ensure that we are focused on our values, student performance, and continuing to improve. More than just accreditation, this is an opportunity for all of us to reflect on who we are and to layout the path for our future.

The process is going to be led by our SIP Chairperson, John Algreen, with the support of our steering committee which includes the principal, our assistant principal Holly Faustini, Nancy Clark, Lesa Manfredo, our office staff, and Mark Bailey who has graciously agreed to be our parent representative.

The first step of this year long process is developing our school profile. Area I of the SIP is focused on gathering information from students, parents, teachers, administrators, and other stakeholders. Data is then compiled to give us a school profile. Then we'll examine our school mission and belief statements as a community to determine how well these statements define who we are and who we'd like to be, as a school. Then we move on to a study of the school's organizational and instructional effectiveness. Finally, we will write action plans which will guide school improvement and, ultimately, lead to increased student achievement over the next seven years.

In the meantime, data from surveys will give us a clear picture of how the community views our school, and guide us to set priorities for growth. School families, and a selection of other stakeholders (board members, parish representatives, etc.), have been randomly selected and will be invited to participate in three surveys over the next three months.

Selected families will receive an additional notice to look for the survey info via email. The opinions of each of our families and other stakeholders are important to us and to the process. The initial "parent opinion survey" must be completed by January 27th in order to be counted. Our students will take the surveys on campus on Wednesday, January 25th. Responses to surveys will be anonymous. The school will only receive a compilation of the information after analysis. We appreciate your honest opinion and the time you take to share it with us via the survey.

Together we will make Cathedral Parish School an even stronger Catholic and educational environment.

In the event you need technical assistance to complete the survey, please follow the instructions which will be given in an introductory letter received with the emailed survey. Please contact me at tdclemente@cpsschool.org or call us at 824-2861 if you have any questions about the survey or process.

May the lord continue to bless and guide our school community,

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