

“Jesus welcomed the children and blessed them.” (Mark 10:16)

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to a new school year! My name is Sister Elizabeth Hebert, SLW. I am a **S**ister of the **L**iving **W**ord, the same community as Sr. Julia and Sr. Mary de Lourdes. My prayer is that both the children and their families will feel welcomed and blessed as they enter this classroom to learn as part of the St. Edward the Confessor School faith community.

Developing and refining their personal organizational skills and study skills will help your child(ren) to be successful. If students pay close attention in class, participate actively, follow directions, and review materials daily, they will be well on the way to developing good study skills. With their sincere effort and our adult support, I am sure they can grow in becoming independent and responsible learners.

Headmaster and emails are the best ways for us to keep lines of communication open. If you need to contact me, you may email me at srhebert@steddy.org, or you may leave a message for me with the school office at **(504) 888-6353**. Your child/family has received information on how to access Headmaster online service. Homework assignments for the week will be posted, but on occasion, the assignment will be changed. Students in middle school are responsible for copying all the homework assignments from the board. This way they will be able to take ownership of their own learning.

Please read all the information that follows. It will stay posted for your reference. Each day we are together in the classroom is a gift from God. I pray daily for them and for all of you. I believe deep in my heart that Jesus, the Living Word of God, will be with us all to bring new life if we just open our hearts and our minds to all the blessings that God has in store for us.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Sister Elizabeth Hebert, SLW

General Information for Middle School Religion Classes

Absences

The student is responsible for all material covered in each class. If a student is absent, it is his/her responsibility to find out the classwork and homework assignments for those days. The missed assignments should be turned in generally within a day or two. Students are responsible for taking announced tests on the day that they are given even though absent prior to the test day. If there are extenuating circumstances, the parents should contact the teacher directly. Make-up tests must be taken after school on the day appointed by the teacher. Failure to do make-up on an assigned date could result in a failed test grade.

Grading Scale

A	94 - 100
B	86 – 93
C	78 – 85
D	70 – 77
U	0 - 69

Grading Weights

30% Test
25% Quiz/Project
20% Classwork/Class Participation/Homework
25% Exam

Writing Across the Curriculum

In all writing assignments, students are expected to adhere to the conventions of Standard English. Proper grammar, spelling, punctuation, and capitalization should be used in all written work. Points will be deducted for work not meeting these conventions. Students should demonstrate careful effort and pride in their work, and use correct cursive penmanship. (For example, if a word is on the test and it is misspelled, the student is not working carefully and doing his/her best work.) When correct writing is stressed across the curriculum, students have a better chance of mastering necessary skills and becoming more effective communicators.

Classroom Rules

Be respectful.

Be responsible and prepared.

Listen and follow directions.

Always do your best work.

Be on time.

Spread the joy and love of Jesus!