

Parish/Parent School Covenant

The Parish/Parent School Covenant is a Covenant between the Parents and the Pastor of St. Andrew Parish whose child/children attend SASEAS School.

January 2011 – June 2012

As a parishioner of St. Andrew Parish, I am asking my parish to assist our family in paying for the education of our child/children at SASEAS School by offering us the standard tuition subsidy for the 2011-2012 school year.

In gratitude for this assistance from the parish, but more importantly, understanding that we parents are the first and most influential teachers of our children in the ways of the Catholic faith, our family will demonstrate our commitment to the faith and our involvement in the parish by participating at Mass almost every weekend at our parish with our child/children.

As pastor (or delegate) of St. Andrew Parish I rejoice in your faith and in your practice of the Catholic faith. We are committed to providing a Catholic education for our children, and assure you that your family will receive the standard tuition subsidy for the 2011-2012 school year.

Commentary:

- **Covenant:** implies relationship, and includes God
- **January 2011-June 2012:** the time frame is 18 months, from now until the end of the next school year
- **Demonstrate:** means “to make obvious, to show”
- **Participating at Mass almost every weekend:** there are 52 weekends in a year: every weekend would be 52 weekends, thus, almost every weekend means almost 52 weekends
- **At our parish:** St. Andrew Church, for it is belonging to a particular parish and attending one’s own parish church for Sunday Mass that, over time and with repetition and consistency, becomes a lasting memory and influence on a Catholic as they grow older
- **With our child/children:** that one is obvious
- One parent can sign, both are not needed, unless that would be helpful for your family to have both parents sign it