



Rationale

The primary goal of the Society, is to provide an education, enlightened by faith, in which youth can grow in the knowledge, love and practice of the Catholic faith. To this end, the Catholic schools must be centers of Catholic life and worship.

In order to realize this expectation it must be recognized that "the Catholic school depends upon (teachers) almost entirely for the accomplishment of its goals and purposes" (Vatican II). This can best be achieved by teachers who are Catholic and actively participate in a parish community.

Policy

The CISDV will make every effort to employ teachers who are practicing Catholics.

Regulation

THE ROLE OF THE CATHOLIC TEACHER:

The Catholic teacher will:

- whether involved in catechetics or not, make a positive contribution to the development of a genuine spirit of Christian community within the school.
- participate in the school’s functions, wherein both the
 - teacher and students can grow to the full measure of
 - Christian teachings.
- be willing to teach courses in Religion, as approved by the Diocese.
- recognize that his/her personal lifestyle has an impact upon the development of youth as well as upon his/her credibility with the students, and
- abide by the laws and regulations common to all members of the Catholic Church and, by word and example, encourage students to do likewise.

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