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## Saint John Neumann Parish Religious Formation Office

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Dear Future Confirmation Candidate Parent:

Our records indicate that your child has successfully completed the 7<sup>th</sup> grade religious formation program and is eligible to enter the 8<sup>th</sup> grade confirmation preparation program at SJN.

Preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation is a multi-faceted process that includes intellectual, spiritual, and praxis oriented catechesis. Upon completion of the various requirements of the confirmation preparation process, your child will be eligible to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in the Spring of 2020.

Some of the requirements Confirmation Preparation Program include the following:

- Attendance at the Parent/Candidate Orientation Meeting: **Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 7pm**
- Faithful attendance of all 8<sup>th</sup> grade religious formation classes (See the parish website to register)
- Completion of all religious formation class assignments
- Faithful attendance at ***both*** Parent/Candidate Workshops:
  - Workshop #1: **Saturday, November 2, 2019 - 10:30am to 1pm**
  - Workshop #2: **Saturday, February 29, 2019 - 10:30am to 1pm**
- Participation in the Confirmation Rite of Enrollment, **Sunday, October 6, 2019** at the 5pm Youth Mass
- Participation in the Sponsor/Candidate Dinner **Sunday, October 6, 2019**
- Attendance at the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Day Retreat: **Monday, January 20, 2020** (Martin Luther King Holiday)
- Completion of a Saint's Report
- Completion of the required Service Projects and submission of a Service Project Journal
- Completion of the Candidate Interview with the pastor, a member of the clergy, or parish RE staff.
- Timely submission of all required forms (candidate registration forms, sponsor forms, baptismal certificates, saints name forms, robe rental forms, etc.)

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The Parent/Candidate Orientation Meeting has been scheduled for **Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 7pm** in the Parish Center. **Mark this date on your calendar now and plan to attend.** During this meeting the various aspects of the confirmation preparation process will be fully explained. Additionally, pertinent information, materials, resources, and registration forms will be distributed.

**Mark all of the dates listed above on your calendar now to ensure that your child's preparation to receive this "Once-In-A-Lifetime Sacrament" receives top priority in the 2019-2020 year.** If you have any questions, please contact the Religious Formation Office.

We look forward to seeing you and your child at the Parent/Candidate Orientation Meeting in September!

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Director of Religious Formation