

Development Obligation Policies

WELCOME BACK NEW AND RETURNING FAMILIES TO A BRAND NEW SCHOOL YEAR! WE APPRECIATE YOUR ENTHUSIASM AND SUPPORT OF OUR FUNDRAISING EVENTS. Please keep in mind that we always welcome new ideas!

In order to offset the true cost to educate each student, Saint Gabriel School adheres to a Development assessment plan. This assessment means that each family in grades Kindergarten through Eighth grade is assessed a 500 point development obligation for the year (5 nights are required to work Bingo). This assessment may be worked off many ways. You will receive 5 points per every hour (7 points per every hour for Bingo) volunteered and if you decide to chair an event you will receive additional points. Also, a percentage of sales or donations are added to your development obligation depending on the event/fundraiser you participate in. Please see the Fundraising Events & Development Opportunities sheet included in this packet for many ways to earn points. Development is a crucial part of Saint Gabriel School. Raising funds through Development events help to keep tuition affordable for all, as well as directly enriching the students at St. Gabriel School.

As you complete each project/event we ask that you submit a DEVELOPMENT TRACKING SHEET as well as sign in at each event. Development points will then be entered into the system based upon the sheets submitted. A development statement will be sent home to you in January and at your request. Please review your statements and contact Margo Cupole, Development Coordinator, immediately if you find any discrepancies. A development tracking sheet is included in this packet, and additional sheets will be posted online and/or can be picked up at the school office. Please remember to track your own hours and always sign in and out of events you work to ensure there is a record of your participation. If you would like, you can also email margo.cupole@stgabrielschool.com with the hours you worked as well as signing in and out.

Our development guidelines state only those projects which actually generate income for our school can be considered for credit. However, from time to time, something comes up where we may not actually generate income, but can save our school the cost associated with a purchase or project. In these instances, we may make an exception to the policy. The Principal makes the determination for this type of situation.

Since we need all families to participate in the Development plan, we do not allow for families assigning their credit to another family. All development balances are due paid in full by the end of the school year. If for any reason you leave Saint Gabriel School during the year, the amount you have earned toward your fundraising obligation is not refundable or transferable to another school.

We at St. Gabriel School sincerely thank all of the families for all their time and dedication during each school year. The spirit, kindness and generosity of our families here at St Gabriel School are truly amazing.

Please do not hesitate to contact the development team of Margo Cupole, Patrice Attolino or Loni Kingston in the Development Office if you have any questions or new ideas.

*Volunteers like you are priceless!
Always caring, always sharing,
You represent our school at its best!*