DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

The use and/or possession of illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages, mood-altering substances, look-alike drugs, or drug-related paraphernalia or the abuse of prescription drugs on parish property or while attending or participating in any parish-sponsored activity is forbidden and is considered a major disciplinary infraction.

Being under the influence of illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages or mood-altering substances on parish property or at a parish-sponsored activity is likewise forbidden and is considered a major disciplinary infraction.

After considering all circumstances, the Pastor and C/DRE may suspend or expel a student from any and all parish catechetical activities for these major disciplinary infractions, depending upon the severity and/or frequency of such violations.

The selling, pushing, or supplying of illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages, mood-altering substances, or drug-related paraphernalia is an extremely serious situation which is to be reported to the parents/guardians of a student and ordinarily to law enforcement officials as well. If, in the judgment of the Pastor and C/DRE, there are no extenuating circumstances, a student committing such an offense will be expelled from all parish catechetical activities.

Policy
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