

## **PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES & RIGHTS**

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Our Lady of Guadalupe School is first and foremost a Christian community. Parents who wish to have their child/ren enrolled at Our Lady of Guadalupe must be willing to be active and supportive members of this community. As expressed in our philosophy, we believe that the education at school is an extension of the educational process which was begun and continues in the home. The school is thus a partner with parents in this process of Catholic Christian education of children.

The privilege of having a child at Our Lady of Guadalupe School is based on the ability of the parents/guardians to work with school personnel and to be active and supportive members of the school community.

In enrolling your child/ren in Our Lady of Guadalupe School, you will agree to certain important responsibilities. These include:

1. to be a partner with the school in the education of your child
2. to understand and support the religious nature of the school
3. to read all communications from the school and to request clarification when necessary
4. to know who your child's teachers are, to observe parent-teacher conference dates, and any special requests for meetings
5. to discuss concerns and problems with the person(s) most directly involved
6. to be as actively involved as you can be in the life of the school and to volunteer assistance when possible
7. to promote Our Lady of Guadalupe School and to speak well of it to others
8. to meet financial obligations in a timely manner and to support the fundraising efforts of the school when possible
9. to appreciate that Catholic education is a privilege that many persons do not have

As a parent of a student at Our Lady of Guadalupe School, you have certain important rights. Among them are the following:

1. to have your child/ren receive an academically sound education in a Catholic environment
2. to talk with school personnel and to have requests for meetings answered in a timely manner
3. to receive fair hearings on concerns and grievances
4. to have students supervised in a safe and appropriate manner
5. to review records and respond
6. to participate in the life of the school

So, welcome to Our Lady of Guadalupe School. The entire school community pledges its support to you. May Jesus, the model of all teachers, be our encouragement in this important ministry of Catholic education.