



**Saint Bernard's Parish**  
**Religious Education Confirmation Program**  
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## Confirmation Program Overview

“Confirmation Brings to fullness that life in the Holy Spirit into which we were first initiated at Baptism.”<sup>1</sup>

Program components include: Study, service, retreat and liturgy. This is a two year preparation program beginning in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade with Confirmation celebrated in the fall of 10<sup>th</sup> grade.

Expectations are that each student attend a minimum of 80% of all scheduled Sacrament Preparation (CCD) classes; attend a minimum of 80% of the Generations of Faith program during the two year program; complete and document 30 hours of community service (20 within the Church and 10 in the community), participate in 1 retreat, and attend Mass on a regular basis.

It is not too early to be thinking about a Confirmation sponsor. Ideally, a candidate's godparent would be his/her sponsor. If that is not possible, a Confirmation sponsor must be a practicing Catholic who has been confirmed. This person must also be at least 18 years of age. The sponsor can not be a parent of the person to be confirmed.

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<sup>1</sup> (From the Guidelines for the Administration of the Sacraments, Diocese of Providence, 1986.)