

CONSTITUTION

Of the Parent, Teacher Organization of St. Timothy Catholic School

The Mission of St. Timothy Catholic School

St. Timothy Catholic School is an extension of the commitment to Christian formation of St. Timothy Parish. Centered in Christ, it embraces and celebrates the richness of the Catholic faith. With and through the family, St. Timothy Catholic School seeks to engage and form the whole child in an atmosphere that nurtures the full potential of all. In this place, all are welcome, and the dignity of each person is honored and protected. May this be a holy place, in which the Gospel message is lived and taught, and from which the Holy Spirit sends all forth to be Christ, loving and serving others.

Article I—Name

The name of this Organization shall be the Parent, Teacher Organization (PTO) of St. Timothy Catholic School, Chantilly, Virginia. This school is part of the diocese of Arlington.

Article II—Objectives

The objectives of this organization shall be to:

- A.** Aid in accomplishing the Mission of St. Timothy Catholic School.
- B.** Encourage the home, school, and parish community to attain a greater degree of cooperation and understanding of their respective responsibilities in Christian formation.
- C.** Help parents and teachers acquire a profound appreciation of the ideals of Catholic education.
- D.** Promote a clearer understanding of the mutual educational responsibilities of parents and teachers.
- E.** Assist St. Timothy Catholic School by sponsoring and conducting fundraising projects and by coordinating volunteer activities.
- F.** Provide a conduit for communications between parents and school faculty.

Article III—Respect for and Implementation of School Policies

The PTO shall respect the established school policies and practices as set forth by the pastor, the school principal, and the Diocese Education Office.

Article IV—Membership

Membership in the PTO is open to the parents and legal guardians of students enrolled in St. Timothy Catholic School and the faculty of St. Timothy Catholic School.

Article V—Governance

The PTO shall conduct business as set forth in the by-laws of this Constitution.

Article VI—Spiritual Advisor

The pastor of St. Timothy Church may act as or appoint a spiritual advisor for the PTO.

Article VII—Amendments

This Constitution will be reviewed as necessary and may be amended at a meeting designated by the PTO Board. Written notice of the proposed amendments must be provided to the members at least seven days prior to the date of the meeting. The amendments may be adopted with a two-thirds vote of the members present at the meeting. Prior to adoption of amendment to the by-laws/Constitution, proposed amendments will be offered for consideration by the principal and/or pastor.