

# Jr High Meeting



# Regents

- All the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students take the state and regents in the Spring:
- **ELA**                      **April 10-11**
- **MATH**                      **May 7-8**              **Regents – June**
- **SCIENCE**                      **April 22\***              **Regents - June**
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math\* – 90% or better in Math 7 , 80 % or higher in Terra Nova , and teacher recommendations

# TACHS

- TACHS TEST - \$71.00
  - All students taking test to enter CATHOLIC HS must register by **OCTOBER 26, 2023**
  - **Parents must register ONLINE – TACHSINFO.COM**
  - **NO LATE REGISTRATIONS**
  - **IESP Students – See Mr. V after the meeting**
  - **ALL STUDENTS TAKING THE TEST ONLINE FROM HOME – SESSION CODES WILL BE REQUIRED**
  - **ATTEND THE OPEN HOUSE !**
  - **Scholarships – Xavier, St. Agnes, TMLA - APPLY**
    - Others use TACHS
    - **MUST TELL THE HOMEROOM TEACHER DAY OF TEST**

# TACHS

- **Please be aware that there mayb some conflicts with our November 4<sup>th</sup>, TACHS test date:**
- **If students take the Regis test, they still need to register for the TACHS and receive a TACHS ID or they will not be able to test with TACHS.**
- **November 1 – Parents get an email**
- **November 4 – High School Choices**
- **Parent must contact the TACHS help desk with their TACHS ID and request a make-up session. Make-up sessions are randomly assigned to students. Students cannot choose a certain time session (testing time sessions-TBD).**

# PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL

- All students should register for HS
  - **JUST IN CASE – “Plan for the what if”**
- Attend the Open Houses
  - Must attend/contact for some specialized/talent schools
- **MUST LIVE IN NYC FOR NYC PUBLIC SCHOOLS**
  - Including specialized tests
- **FOLLOW THE DEADLINES**

# All things Confirmation



## HOMILY REPORT REQUIREMENT

Homily Reports are a requirement for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The written Homily Report consists of listening to the homily and answering four questions.

Homily Reports begin in October of the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and continue straight through, including the summer, to December of 8<sup>th</sup> grade. There is one Homily Report due every month for a total of 15 Homily Reports.

You must attend Mass in-person. You may do this at Our Lady of the Snows or any Catholic Church. Pre-recorded or live masses that you watch on television or YouTube are not in-person Masses and are therefore not accepted.

The Homily Report form may be obtained from the Faith Formation Office, the Academy classroom, or the Church website: [www.olsnows.org](http://www.olsnows.org). (Click on Ministries, then Faith Formation, then click the link for Homily Report Form).

You can write a Homily Report on any Catholic Mass you attend, at any time (Sunday, weekday); in any Catholic Church; for any reason (Funeral, Wedding, School, etc.) and it will count. Services at non-Catholic churches will not be recognized.

As an acceptable alternative to a written Homily Report, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders may sign-in at the Sunday morning 9:30 a.m. Mass. This alternative is **only available when Religious Ed. classes are in session from October until the first Sunday in May** and will not be available beginning the second Sunday in May through the end of September 2024. It **excludes the holiday weekends of Oct. 8, 2023, Nov. 26, 2023, Dec. 24, 2023, Dec. 31, 2023, Feb. 18, 2024 and March 24 & 31, 2024**. Any student wishing to sign-in to receive credit for a Homily Report must be in Church 10 minutes before the Mass begins, and give their name to the Catechist or Assistant holding the check-in sheet. This must be done before the bell rings to signal the start of the Mass. **Students MAY NOT sign-in and then do a written Homily Report for the same Mass.**

**A COMBINATION of written Homily Reports and the Sign-In at Mass is acceptable as long as the combination amounts to 15.**



## HOMILY REPORT

Please be sure to complete everything in this heading!

Name: _____	Date of Mass: _____
7 <sup>th</sup> Gr. Faith Formation <i>or</i> 7 <sup>th</sup> Gr. Academy	Celebrant: _____
8 <sup>th</sup> Gr. Faith Formation <i>or</i> 8 <sup>th</sup> Gr. Academy	Time of the Mass: _____
C.L.S. Mass <i>or</i> Other Catholic Church: _____	

The homily is an integral part of the liturgy and the highest form of the Church's witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ. Rooted in the spiritual readings of the day, the homily is a special kind of communication that is designed for listening and reflecting. It helps us to know and live our faith better. To complete this monthly assignment you will need to listen to the homily carefully and answer the following questions:

1. What was your understanding of today's homily?

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2. The homilist made the following point/s:

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3. What did the homilist say about Jesus Christ and what He did for us?

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4. What did you learn about faith and living faithfully from what the Homilist said? (If you learned nothing, write why.)

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