

10 COMMANDMENTS FOR PARENTS

(Ten tips for making the home-school connection a little clearer)

1. Thou shalt have priorities- The first priority is family.
2. Thou shalt honor thy child's teacher: a good teacher is an act of faith in your child.
3. Thou shalt talk positively about thine own school experiences: stories of our misadventures won't help your children.
4. Thou shalt be interested in thy child's schooling: most parents get uninvolved as the child get older; don't let them down when they need you most.
5. Thou shalt honor the mission of the Catholic school: remember, our mission is to get your child into heaven, not into Harvard.
6. Thou shalt see that thy child gets enough sleep: a tire child can't learn.
7. Thou shalt know who thy child's friends are: remember, kids act according to their friends.
8. Thou shalt allow thy child to suffer consequences: constantly bailing them out won't teach them anything.
9. Thou shalt recognize thy child's efforts: remember, children do want to please their parents.
10. Thou shalt be thy child's parent: they don't need another friend; they need parents.