

RE: Bingo Commitment For School Year 2010-2011

Dear Christ the King Parents:

Welcome back to what promises to be another exciting year at Christ the King School! We are thrilled to have all of our kids back in the building and are looking forward to an incredible year of academic success and character development for all of our students.

The mission of Christ the King Community, both School and Parish, is to provide a quality Catholic education to as many children as possible. In keeping with that mission, we have intentionally kept our tuition at a rate lower than most Catholic schools in our area. As a result, we must seek additional sources to fund school operation. We are blessed to have an extremely profitable BINGO program that allows us to generate these vital funds. Going without BINGO program proceeds would require us to raise tuition approximately \$1,000.00 per child per year, placing a CTK education out of reach of an overwhelming majority of CTK families.

We simply will not allow that to happen, but depend on our parents to help us keep this promise. BINGO is so vital to the viability of our school that we have made it mandatory for all CTK families to participate in the BINGO program. Every family will share in this responsibility to our children. Pursuant to the contract you signed when registering your child for school, you are required to work Bingo at least five times during the school year. Each time you are expected to complete a four-hour shift. If you are not personally able to work your assigned session, you may send an adult substitute. **There are no exceptions for meeting this requirement, regardless of any perceived agreements in the past.** Continued enrollment for this year and consideration for admission next year is dependent upon the completion of this requirement.

We would like to dispel a few myths you may have heard about our BINGO program. While certainly not the most glamorous work, it is not absolutely awful. The BINGO players are an interesting and entertaining group who are happy to support our students through their patronage. Yes, it is smoky in the smoking area; however, if you are sensitive or allergic to smoke, we can arrange for you to work in our non-smoking area for the duration of the evening.

The 2010-2011 BINGO schedule has been designed so that most families are working once every two months throughout the school year. Many families have fulfilled their BINGO obligation over the summer. Attached you will find the BINGO Schedule for this year and a BINGO Fact Sheet with all of the pertinent information you need. We understand that unforeseen circumstances and emergencies arise that necessitate rearranging schedules. Accordingly, we have established a BINGO swap board on our web site for those who need to change dates. It is your responsibility to find your own substitute. If you make swap, you must inform our Development and Marketing Director, Amy Kallenbach, who administers the BINGO program. Mrs. Kallenbach can be reached at school or at akallenbach@ctkparish.org and is always available to answer any questions you may have about our programs and to help you fulfill this requirement for your children.

We know that you share our vision for all our students and school and will work with us to create the best and most loving environment possible. Thank you, and God bless you and your family.

Sincerely,

Rachael Chatham - Principal

Amy Kallenbach- Director of Development and Marketing