

## **POLICY ON YOUTH GANGS**

YOUTH GANGS and GANG-RELATED ACTIVITY ARE PROHIBITED. A gang is defined as any non-school-sponsored group, usually secret and/or exclusive in membership, whose purpose or practices include unlawful or antisocial behavior or any action that threatens the welfare of others.

A FULL COPY OF THE POLICY ON YOUTH GANGS IS AVAILABLE IN THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE.

### **Prevention**

In order to assist students in the development of positive self-esteem, decision-making skills, and social values, appropriate educational programs and activities will be provided as judged appropriate by the pastor and/or principal. These may include but are not limited to CAP, QUEST, A BRIDGE TO SUCCESS, D.A.R.E, guidance programs, parent education programs, social activities that foster positive group identification and behavior, CYO and parish-based youth ministry activities, etc.