

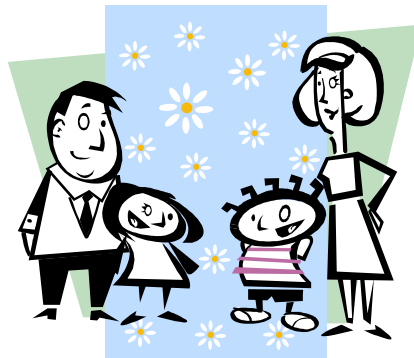
How can YOU Help?

The best way for you to help...is to participate! Parental involvement is imperative. You can help in a variety of ways, but the most important way to help is to be committed to the program! In the Gospel of Mark, Jesus scolded his disciples and told them: "Let the children come to me and do not hinder them". **Make EDGE a priority in your house**. Make sure homework is finished by 5:00 on Sunday afternoons. Make sure their calendar is clear so that they can attend each session.

As in many things, Commitment and Consistency are the keys to Success!

Proverbs 22:6 states, "train a child in the way they should go; and even when they are old, they will not swerve from it." The faith foundation a parent gives a child continues for a lifetime. Middle school is not the time to give your child the option of going to mass. It can create a poor standard of expectation.

The EDGE meets once a week. This is a wonderful invitation and challenge for your child to develop a deeper relationship with Jesus and the Catholic Church. By committing to this program, you will be providing a foundation for your child's faith formation. THESE are the years to set those habits!



Here are ways you can help:

- Support **The EDGE** program by making it a part of **your** Sunday routine,
- Attend Mass together and bring your child to every session,
- Allow them to share with you the things that they have learned at **The EDGE**,
- Check the website frequently, for program updates,
- Foster the relationships your child makes through EDGE,
- Encourage participation in your parish OUTSIDE religious education,
- Be an example for your child by practicing your faith regularly and participating in parish events,
- Keep on top of EDGE information by knowing what is going on and what is coming up.
- Participate in the program by volunteering. It shows that you support the program and support them!
- Pray for the EDGE program daily and attend the youth-sponsored Adoration Hours (Thursday afternoons from 2:00-3:00 PM or Thursday evenings from 8:00-9:00 PM).

St. Andrew Catholic Youth Ministry
The Edge



Volunteer!

There are many ways you can help with **The EDGE**. You can help as little or as much as you like, but everyone should help in some way. Here are some of the opportunities to help:

Job	Number of Volunteers Needed	Time Commitment	Description
Team Leader	40	6:30-8:45 on Sunday nights during the school year plus a few minutes each week to read about the week's lesson planned.	Team Leaders are assigned a group of 8-10 kids, all from the same grade, who you will mentor for the year. Normally, we do NOT pair parents up with children. It allows the child to still have some "freedom" in the program. Your task will be to meet with them as a group, for approximately 20-30 minutes each week and hold a discussion or perform a task. All materials, including discussion questions (and answers), topic materials, supplies, etc. will be provided for you ahead of time.
Team Leader Substitutes	10-15	6:30-8:45 on Sunday nights during the school year as needed (approximately 6-8 times a year).	Needed for Team Leaders who are unable to attend due to scheduling conflict or illness.
Kitchen Crew	15-20	5:00-7:30 on Sunday evenings, once every 6-8 weeks.	Help prepare and serve snacks that will be served each week from 6:30-6:45. Includes preparation and setup of the facility before EDGE and kitchen clean-up after snack is served.
Environment Crew	16-20	8:30-9:00 PM on Sunday evenings, once every 4-6 weeks.	Help put away tables, chairs and partitions after EDGE on Sunday evenings.
Chaperones	20-25	As needed for social nights and for service projects. Time and Day will vary according to event. Will be assigned to work 2-3 events for the year.	As needed to set-up, facilitate, supervise and clean up for special events such as service projects and social events.
Office Help	5-10	1-2 hours per week as needed. Day/time TBD.	Help put together activities, materials and handouts for EDGE sessions. Must be available during the day.
Technical Support	3-4	During EDGE events, as needed. Some at-home work.	Take photographs and videos during an EDGE night. Help with electronic equipment set-up during special events.