

Junior Retreat

SUPPORT LETTERS

What are junior retreat support letters?

Support letters are an important element for students attending the junior retreat. We request that each parent write a letter to their student, as well as reach out to family and friends for additional letters.

Parent letters are read to students out loud in their small groups. And the rest of the letters are gifted to them to read on their own.

We start accepting letters at the beginning of the school year and they are due no later than the week before your student's retreat.

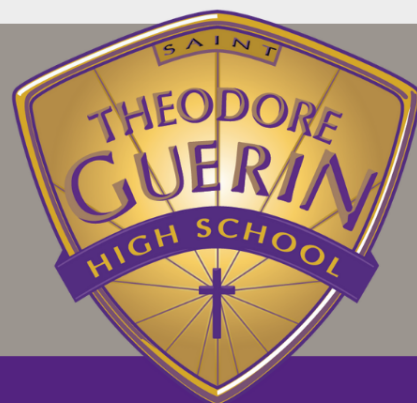
Letters can be submitted in person to the school office, through the mail, or through email to campusministry@guerincatholic.org.

FAQ:

- **What if one parent is unable to write a letter?**
 - We understand that there are life circumstances which lead to mom or dad being unavailable to write a letter. In these cases we will either accept one letter instead of two, or we will accept a substitute letter from someone such as a grandparent, step-parent, or sibling.
- **Who else can write support letters?**
 - Anyone you can think of! Grandparents, cousins, family-friends, teachers, mentors, coaches, etc.
- **How long should letters be?**
 - Parent letters should be between 1-2 pages in length. All other letters can vary in size. We have some one sentence notes and some five page letters!
- **How many letters do most students receive?**
 - Two parent letters (mom and dad) plus 5-10 additional letters. But there is no limit!
- **Should I talk about letters with my student?**
 - Nope! LETTERS ARE A SURPRISE! So try not to let your student or their junior friends know about it.

5 Ideas for What to Write About in Your Letter

1. Looking back on their time at Guerin
2. Looking forward to years ahead
3. Sharing a fun or moving memory
4. Complementing their gifts and talents
5. Expressing your love and appreciation



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