

## SAINT CECILIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

Pennsylvania State law requires each school to keep a health record for every student. In addition, each student is mandated by state law to be screened for vision, hearing and growth in every grade, hearing is tested in kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> grade, scoliosis in 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade, either by the school nurse or another licensed professional health care provider who will come to the school. Students who fail these tests in school may be referred to the appropriate health care provider for further evaluation. If you wish for your student to be screened by their pediatrician, and **NOT** at the school, please provide the proof of the screening prior to September 1<sup>st</sup> of the upcoming school year. If documentation is **not provided** by this date your student may be screened at the school by either the school nurse and/or an outside agency that will include a licensed professional such as an Ophthalmologist/Optomtrist/Audiologist/Spine specialist and/or an Orthopedic specialist. Typically, a specialist may come to the school for the grades listed above. These services offered by the licensed professionals above are free, and they are a wonderful asset to the school community since they are specialists.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Joanne Smith, RN-BSN, CSN, MAcD

**Please check off one of the following and return to school tomorrow.**

**Student:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade and/or Room:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand this letter and I give permission for my child to be screened by a specialist in one of the above areas

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand this letter and I **do not** give permission for my child to be screened by a specialist