

## Catholic Diocese of Biloxi

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To: Superintendents, Principals, Athletic Directors, and Activity Directors

From: Ray Lacy Diocesan Director of Youth Ministry, Diocese of Biloxi

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Re: National March for Life, January 22-26 2020

The 45<sup>th</sup> Annual March for Life will be held in Washington, D.C. in January of 2020. The Diocese of Biloxi will once again be organizing a trip to this event. The diocese realizes that attending the March for Life will entail absence from school and extra- curricular activities. I am writing to request that the students be allowed an excused absence due to the nature of the trip.

The trip we are planning includes not only the actual March for Life event but also opportunities for the students to meet with our local Congressman, visit several of the Smithsonian museums and national monuments while in the national capital.

I know you will see the value for your students. For more information about the march feel free to visit the website, <a href="www.marchforlife.org">www.marchforlife.org</a>. In addition, please feel free to contact our offices here in Biloxi either by telephone (228-702-2142) or by email at <a href="mailto:rlack@biloxidiocese.org">rlack@biloxidiocese.org</a>.

Your cooperation in enabling your students to attend is greatly appreciated.