



Section: **Roles and Responsibility**  
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Policy: **Role of School Pastor**

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### **The Role of the Pastor in the School**

1. To represent the Bishop and to represent his parish in all School Council matters.
2. To exercise a veto in any school activities which violate official Catholic religious beliefs and customs.
3. To participate in the selection of teachers and other staff members for employment; this is necessary to ensure that all persons offered employment by the school give evidence of an ability to promote the Catholicity of the school.
4. To represent the official viewpoint of the Catholic Church in the Admissions Committee decisions to admit non-Catholic students.
5. To ensure that the teaching staff is living and teaching within the official teaching of the Catholic Church.
6. To take the initiative in promoting quality religious activities in the school.
7. To facilitate the integration of school activities into the life of his parish.
8. To urge Catholic parents to enrol their children in the school, and to urge all his parishioners to support the school.
9. To ensure that parish positions on School Council are filled. Refer to Policy 1402.

Note: Where several parishes support a school, one Pastor may be designated to fulfill some of the above items.