

## Letters from Parents and Sponsors

A central part of the Confirmation retreat will be the letters of support the candidates receive from parents and sponsors. While on Retreat your young person will be spending time looking at the self they see; how others see them; and how they want to be seen ... this is where your letters come in. Finally they will look at how God sees them. It is always a very powerful experience. Many young people report reading their letters was the highlight of their retreat and often keep their Confirmation letters well into adulthood.

At a minimum, we expect candidates will get letters from a parent and their sponsor.

**Letters must be mailed into the Office  
(CCSFX, P.O.Box 407, Cockeysville, MD 21030,  
Attn: Pat Allshouse) and received  
no later than November 10th.**

I am asking for your help here, if at all possible, **please take the time to hand-write your note**, place in a sealed envelope addressed to your child and mail to the parish at the address above **so it will be received by 11/10.** You may also drop it off at the Parish Office any time Monday-Thursday from 9 am-4 pm.

What you write should come from your heart and be in your own words. If you are having a hard time getting started, below are some sentence/paragraph starters. Use whatever fits/works for you.

*One memory that I will never forget of you growing up was when...*

*You have taught me so much, for example when you...*

*You were right and I am sorry for the time...*

*I don't always get the chance to say it, but I think you are a great kid because...*

*Some of things I admire most in you are...*

*I am so proud that you are getting confirmed because...*

*One dream I have for your future is ...*

These letters and especially their content are supposed to be a surprise for the candidate, so please don't tell them what you are writing ... or even THAT you are writing this letter. If you have any questions don't hesitate to e-mail any member of the Confirmation Team. Thank you!



