

12) Sexual activity on school property

Members of the Roman Catholic Church are strongly advised against having sexual relations before marriage. Referred to as fornication, having sex before marriage is considered a mortal sin, requiring one to go to confession before they are allowed to take part in Holy Communion again. However, it is not strictly the act of having sexual relations (intercourse) that the Roman Catholic Church advises against; it is any form of sexual activity. Although engaging in some acts of sexual activity is not considered "having sex" by the Church, *i.e.* deep kissing, groping, heavy petting, they are still strongly discouraged.

Because engaging in sexual activity may lead to temptation and therefore sex, couples that are not married should not take part in any type of sexual contact. All instances of sex or sexual activity should be discussed during the sacrament of Confession before participating in Holy Communion. Any incident of sexual relations or sexual activity by students of St. Christopher's Prep on school property, Church property, or at Church-sponsored activities is strictly prohibited and will result in serious repercussions, including possible expulsion, and adversely affect membership in the parish.