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Dear Parish and School Leaders,

Parental choice will be addressed in an upcoming special session of the Texas Legislature, which Governor Abbott has announced will begin in October. We are calling on parishes and Catholic schools to engage parents to convey their support for parental choice legislation which meets the bishops' priorities.

The Texas Catholic Conference of Bishops (TCCB) has prepared a toolkit to assist Catholic parishes and schools in learning more about the Catholic teaching on parental choice. You can access our Parental Choice Toolkit at <https://txcatholic.org/parentalchoice/>. Please post about the issue using the resources in the toolkit regularly from now through the special session. We will be updating the toolkit with more resources and materials throughout this advocacy effort.

We ask our parishes and Catholic schools to only distribute TCCB and (arch)diocesan materials or materials from partner organizations listed on our website, like the Texas Private School Association and Texans for Parental Choice in Education.

Please join us in this effort by raising your voice on social media and informing your parishioners and school communities through your newsletters, parish bulletins and other communications in support of parental choice in education using our TCCB Parental Choice Toolkit.

Sincerely in Christ,

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