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A MESSAGE FROM OUR SECRETARY FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS...

Dear School Leaders,

Like so many of you, I was very happy to see spring arrive – the beautiful reminder, on the day of the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, in which Mary, speaks with the Angel Gabriel and welcomes the fullness of God, and His wondrous ways. This time, especially during Lent, offers a time for us to recommit to our faith, after gratefully turning the corner on the pandemic. This year, our meetings with all school leaders have continued to inspire me, as you have met the challenges, with unyielding faith, strong stewardship and consistent commitment to our Catholic communities.

Included in this week's Friday Update is important information regarding the new platform Flocknote through which we will send you the Friday Update beginning on April 8. Please be sure to take any steps regarding your devices, to ensure that you receive our newsletter. There are also several calendar events to note, as well as, events that require registration, including the Equitable Services Conference for principals, next week. In addition, you also may take advantage of the opportunity to promote your summer programs, by submitting through the link on page 6.

Finally, as we come closer to the end of Lent, may you grow closer to Jesus each day.

Kelly Branaman



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MASTER CALENDAR

Tuesday, April 5, 2022

New Principal Meeting

12p-3:30 p.m. - St. Jude Regional School

Thursday, April 7, 2022

ESPA Exec. Committee Meeting

9:30a.m. - Virtual

Thursday - Monday, April 14-18, 2022 **Easter Holy Days - Catholic Schools Office closed**

Wednesday, April 27, 2022

Leadership Academy

12-3:30 p.m. - St. Columba

MASTER TO-DO LIST

- Display 2022 Catholic High School Fair poster in school and disseminate promotional materials
- Mar 27 Apr 10. Faith Knowledge Assessment. Mandatory for Grades 3-8;
 Grade 2 optional



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ENROLLMENT AND ADVANCEMENT



The Friday Update is switching to Flocknote email server.

Beginning **Friday**, **April 8**, the ADW CSO will begin using Flocknote to deliver the Friday Update to your inbox. *This could result in the Friday Update getting stuck in your junk/barracuda on the first send*. Please remember to double check and add it to your "allow list." No further action is needed at this time; we ask for your patience during this transition.

For questions about the Friday Update contact Barbara Quisquinay at quisquinayb@adw.org

Save the Date - 2022 Catholic High School Fair

The Catholic High School Fair will take place on **Saturday, April 23 at Catholic University.** Schools are asked to display the 2022 Catholic High School Fair posters that were received in the fall. Please contact Anna Quattrone at quattronea@adw.org if you have any questions.

Registration is now open. Please invite families of 6th and 7th graders to register on our website <u>HERE</u> or share the digital flyers attached below.

<u> High School Fair Flyer – English</u>

<u>High School Fair Flyer - Spanish</u>





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Webinar: Forming Disciples Through STREAM

This webinar will examine the new Archdiocese of Washington religion standards and how they can be incorporated into a STREAM curriculum approach. Content will be geared toward the 4th grade standards and will provide examples, lesson ideas and content integrations. There will also be live Q&A as well as shared resources.

When: Apr 7, 2022 04:00 PM REGISTER HERE

SAVE THE DATE! General Resource Teacher Meeting

Friday, May 6, 2022 9:00-2:30 PM St. Mary of the Assumption, Upper Marlboro

Agenda:

- ·Audio Book Options
- ·CAP/ICEP Revisions
- ·Collaboration Time

Registration Link will be emailed late March!

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT





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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Catapult Learning

Equitable Services: A Virtual Conference for Private School Principals

March 29-31, 2022 | 2:00PM-3:30PM EST (Daily)

Private school leaders continue to struggle to find resources that will sustain their schools' operation and ensure that their students receive the equitable services allowed by law. Catapult Learning is hosting a virtual training program that will raise the comfort level of the school leader in navigating the ins and outs of federal education programs for their students and teachers.

This virtual Equitable Services: A Conference for Private School Principals is a three-day (90 minutes each day) that will focus on the equitable participation of private school students in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA); the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA); and the Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools (EANS) and other pandemic emergency funding programs.

Whether your school already participates in these programs and you want to learn more, you are new to the entire world of federal education programs, or you land somewhere in between, these three sessions will provide you with practical information that will benefit your entire school community.

March 29 – IDEA | 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM EST March 30 – ESSA | 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM EST

March 31 – EANS and other emergency funding programs | 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM EST You may register for all days or for individual days. Registration is free, but space will be limited to keep the intimate and interactive feel this conference has always offered.

REGISTER TODAY



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ANNOUNCEMENTS



2022 Summer Programs

Please share details about summer programs offered at your school. Use this <u>LINK</u> to provide details.

Read across the ADW

Roshon Casey, Director of Early Childhood Programs, and the Catholic Schools Office team would like to read to your Pre-K class!

- 1. Pick a book
- 2. Pick a day and time

We will come out to read to your Pre-K! Click HERE to sign up



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For Students in 6th Grade

26TH ANNUAL VOCATIONS MASS

Thursday, March 31, 2022 10:30 a.m.

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception 4000 Michigan Avenue, NE, Washington, D.C.

Sixth-grade students are encouraged to attend the Annual Vocations Mass on March 31, 2022. Seminarians, priests, and religious sisters and brothers will be present after Mass to meet, speak with, and answer students' questions. For more information, please contact the Office of Priest Vocations at vocations@adw.org. Or, call 202-636-9020.







Please register your school now https://dcpriest.org/annual-vocations-mass



Click HERE to Register your School

Click HERE to download the flyer





Save the Date - 8th Grade Day Out - Thursday, May 5

The day will feature interactive, virtual faith-filled talks for the young women by Julie Marie Carrier and for the young men by Mike Tenney.





The event is FREE! Registration is now open. Please register your 8th grade class by Wednesday, April 13. <u>Click</u> to access the registration link.

For more information, contact Brian Radziwill at radziwillb@adw.org

