

THE FRIDAY UPDATE

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR SECRETARY FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS...

Dear School Leaders,

It's hard to believe December is already here! Thank you so much for your recent postings on social media regarding Giving Tuesday and thank you to those who have donated to our ADW Community. With so many Christmas activities, performances, and celebrations, we all know, December is a quick and busy month. I ask that you take the time to carefully read over the Master Calendar and To-Do List to close out this year on a great note. Our final Friday Update edition for 2022 will be published on Friday, December 16.

While December is a very exciting and busy month for all of us, let us take advantage of the Advent season of waiting to take a moment to slow down and, through prayer and reflection, prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus. On December 12, we celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. In her honor, let us offer this prayer together:

God of all peoples, we thank and bless you for the protection and love of Our Lady of Guadalupe. In her we see your affection for all peoples and feel your desire to be near to your people. Mother of the Americas, guide and comfort us with your loving presence as we, like you, seek to say yes to God's call in our lives. Intercede on behalf of those who are ill. Inspire in us the faithfulness of Juan Diego as we seek to do the will of your son in the world. Amen.

Please know of my continued prayers for you during this Advent season.

Prayerfully,

Kelly Branaman

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Master Calendar

Monday, December 5, 2022

Enrollment Management Strategy
Session, 1p – 2p, virtual

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

ADW Leadership Academy
12p - 3p, St. Mary of the Assumption,
Upper Marlboro

Thursday, December 8, 2022

Immaculate Conception of Mary
APC closed

Friday, December 23, 2022 - Monday, January 2, 2023

CHRISTMAS - APC closed

Thursday, January 5, 2023

ESPA Exec Committee Mtg., 9:30a, virtual

Monday, January 9, 2023

MC ESPA Meeting, 10a,
St. John the Baptist, Silver Spring
DC ESPA Meeting, 1p - 3p, virtual

Wednesday, January 11, 2023

PG ESPA Meeting, 9:30a - 11:30a,
Holy Redeemer College Park
ADW Board of Education Meeting
6p - 8p, virtual

Thursday, January 12, 2023

SoMD ESPA Mtg., 9:30a - 11:30a,
St. John School



Master To - Do List

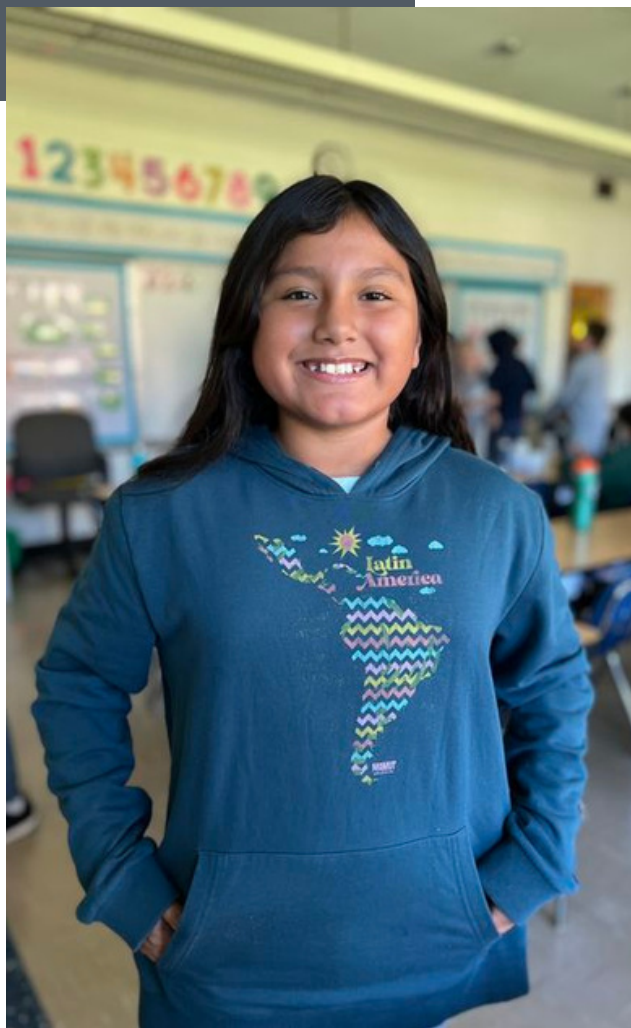
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HSPT Reminders

1. ADW Schools should mail all testing materials back to STS no later than **Monday, December 5, 2022.**
2. The 2022 Confidential Student Information form is available in multiple formats on the Principal Portal [HERE](#). The updated form is due to high schools by **Friday, December 9, 2022.**
3. The window to review and modify High School Choices closes on **Sunday, December 11, 2022**

If you have any questions or concerns about the High School Placement Test please contact Anna Quattrone at quattronea@adw.org





Do you want to host an open house in Spanish for CSW 2023, but need help?

The Hispanic Enrollment Initiative intends to support efforts to recruit and retain Hispanic students in Archdiocese of Washington Catholic schools. Please reach out to Barbara Quisquinay at quisquinayb@adw.org.

Feel free to also reach out if you need help with specific projects, such as:

- Collateral Marketing Materials in Spanish
- Advertising Campaigns in Spanish
- Social Media in Spanish
- In person translation
- Admissions information translation

REMINDER: Enrollment Management Strategy Session

We invite your enrollment management and marketing staff member(s) to attend the Enrollment Management Strategy Session on **Monday, December 5, 2022 from 1:00 PM– 2:00 PM.**

Register in advance for this meeting [HERE](#)

ADW Schools Service Project



The Catholic Schools Office invites all schools to participate in the Valentine's by Kids service project this January. Please review the instructions below and complete the participation form by Wednesday, December 21.

1

Complete sign-up form [HERE](#). Please only submit one form per school. Deadline to complete: Wednesday, December 21.

2

Get creative! During the month of January have students create Valentine's Day cards for hospital patients and nursing home residents. Don't forget to share your activities on social media with #ADWcommUNITY.

3

Send cards to the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center (APC) to be packaged and delivered. We ask that all cards are delivered to the APC via mail (PO Box 29260, Washington, DC 20017) or drop-off (5001 Eastern Ave, Hyattsville, MD 20782) by **noon on Wednesday, February 1, 2023.**

Additional information will be shared with schools that sign-up in early January. If you have any questions about the service project, please contact Anna Quattrone at quattronea@adw.org.



Catholic Virtual Update

Last week the president of Catholic Virtual came to the Pastoral Center to discuss the national phenomenon of teacher shortage that we are seeing evidence of in some of our schools.

The CV team has been working with a few of our schools to help bridge the gap and provide a certified teacher who can remote into a classroom and provide instruction.

Catholic Virtual offers many courses designed to enhance a school's academic program. Please refer [HERE](#) for more information on Teacher Shortage and [HERE](#) for more information on Teacher Vacancies. Direct any questions to Denise Ball at BallD@adw.org or Catholic Virtual directly.



The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington Cardinal Baum Scholarship Program

Each year, Cardinal Baum Scholarships are awarded to outstanding elementary and secondary teachers in the Archdiocese of Washington (ADW) to help them offset the cost of tuition for a Master's or PhD program at a Catholic college or university. This year the ADW will award \$15,000 in scholarships to select elementary and secondary school teachers who:

- Are currently teaching full-time at an elementary or high school in the Catholic Roman Archdiocese of Washington
- Have taught in the Archdiocese for at least three years
- Are currently enrolled in, or have been admitted to, a Master's or PhD program related to their teaching assignment at a Catholic college or university
- Have maintained at least a 3.0 average in their graduate coursework

New applicants must submit the following:

1. A completed application form
2. 1 – 2 page statement about your professional goals as a Catholic school teacher in the ADW
3. A letter of recommendation from your current principal
4. An official copy of your graduate transcript
5. A tuition bill that includes proof of payment

Cardinal Baum Scholarship Application

https://www.cognitoforms.com/ADWCSO1/_2023CardinalBaumScholarship

All applications and supporting documents must be received by **January 27, 2023**. Recipients will be notified by February 24, 2023.