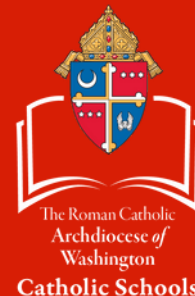


THE FRIDAY UPDATE

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR SECRETARY FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS...

Dear School Leaders,

As we enter the season of Lent, I want to take a moment to reflect on the significance of this time for our Catholic schools and communities. Lent is a time for introspection and spiritual renewal, a time to reflect on our relationship with God and our commitment to living out our faith in the world.

This year, our Lenten journey is particularly meaningful, as we welcome two new auxiliary bishops to The Roman Catholic Archdiocese. Bishops Juan R. Esposito-Garcia and Evelio Menjivar-Ayala were ordained to the Order of Bishops on Feb. 21 during a Mass at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle. This is an important moment for our Church and for our schools, as these new bishops will provide guidance and support to our communities.

Collaboration Day registration is now open, and we invite you to join us. We have carefully designed our keynote, general, and breakout sessions to inspire and encourage reflection on God's work in our lives and our reasons for serving in Catholic education.

As usual, we want you to know that our office is always available to support you in any way possible. Let us collaborate to provide the best education and formation for our students and build vibrant Catholic communities in our schools.

I am looking forward to the ESPA Conference Day on February 28th, and I wish you a blessed Lenten season.

Prayerfully,

Kelly Branaman

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Master Calendar

Tuesday, February 28

ESPA Conference Day, 9:00am – 2:30pm

Thursday, March 2

ESPA Executive Committee Meeting
9:30am – 11:30am

Tuesday, March 7

ADW Leadership Academy, 12:00 – 3:00pm

Friday, March 10

Collaboration Day
Our Lady of Good Counsel HS, 8am - 3pm

Monday, March 13

Collaboration Day
St. Pius X Regional School, 8am - 3pm

Tuesday, March 14

MC ESPA Meeting, 10:00am – 12:00pm
St John the Baptist, Silver Spring
DC ESPA Meeting- Virtual, 1:00 – 3:00pm

Wednesday, March 15

PG ESPA Meeting, 9:30 – 11:30am
Holy Redeemer School, College Park, MD

Thursday, March 16

SoMD ESPA Meeting, 9:30 – 11:30am
Saint Johns School, Hollywood, MD
High School Admissions Director Meeting
1:00 – 2:00pm, virtual



Master To - Do List

- Share Collaboration Day registration link with teachers. Pg. 5
- Submit Spring Open House or admission event dates to Barbara Quisquinay at quisquinayb@adw.org.
- Submit applicable surveys. Pg. 6
- Collect Golden Apple Award nomination forms from your school parents and teachers - Pg. 7



Spring Open House Window - March 18-26, 2023

Is your school planning to host an open house or admissions event in the spring? Please submit your event date (s), time (s) and information to Barbara Quisquinay at quisquinayb@adw.org.

Please review the up to date open house schedule here:
<https://adwcatholicschools.org/elementary-k-8/open-house-schedule/>



Social Media Corner

Please continue using #ADWcommUNITY in your social media posts! In February and March, we will be looking for the following topics to share:

·Black History Month ·Lent ·Women's History Month

Tag us @ADWCathSchools or share photos directly with Anna Quattrone at quattronea@adw.org.



Do you need translators or presenters to lead or help at your admissions event or Open House?

The Hispanic Enrollment Initiative intends to support your efforts through Ambassador Parent services.

Please reach out to Barbara Quisquinay at quisquinayb@adw.org if you want to learn more or to schedule help. Events with Ambassador Parents should be requested at least 15 days before.

Pope Francis, has blessed the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington with the appointment of:
*Auxiliary Bishop Juan Esposito-Garcia and
Auxiliary Bishop Evelio Menjivar-Ayala.*



Our church continues celebrating this historic event, and because of that we invite you to congratulate our new bishops!

All schools and educators that share congratulatory photos or videos on social media from February 21 to March 14 and use *#ADWcomUNIDAD* or tag us will be entered into a **raffle to win 1 of 3 prize surprise boxes!**

Winners will be announced in the second March edition of the Friday Update and in social media. For more information contact Barbara Quisquinay at quisquinayb@adw.org

2023 Spring Collaboration Day registration is now open!

Please register [HERE](#) by March 6th

Friday, March 10, 2023
8:30 AM - 3:00 PM
Our Lady of Good Counsel
(MC Schools)

Monday, March 13, 2023
8:30 AM - 3:00 PM
St. Pius X Regional School
(DC, PG and SoMD Schools)

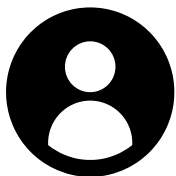
"Behold, I Make All Things New"

We are so excited to be coming back together in person for our Spring Collaboration Day! We are hoping that this day will be one of inspiration and renewal as we reflect on how our God continues to transform us and "makes us new" as we draw ever closer in relationship with him.

- Keynote Speaker
- Dynamic Breakout Session Presenters
- Community Building Activities
- Exciting Prizes
- Learn more at the website link below!

Please see all details of this event at

[Spring Collaboration Day 2023](#)
[Website](#)



Vice Principal Contact Information Survey

The Catholic Schools Office is requesting contact information for the vice principals serving in our schools. Please complete the survey by clicking [HERE](#) by **March 5, 2023**.



3 questions Rediker survey

As we prepare for the next steps of understanding our administrative technology, please take a moment to complete this [three-question survey](#).

This survey is just a first step; as we proceed, we will collect more detailed feedback.



Summer Programs

Please update us regarding whether your school team plans on offering summer programs for this summer.

Please use this [Summer Programs Link](#) to provide feedback.



2022-2023 Annual Curriculum Survey

The ADW Curriculum Committee is kindly requesting input from all ADW teachers and school leaders on the current ADW curriculum standards and PK3 report card. Your voice is essential to the committee's ongoing efforts in support of academic excellence within all ADW Catholic schools. Please provide your input on the ADW curriculum and PK3 report card using [this survey link](#). The survey will become available on Tuesday, February 28 and close on **Tuesday, March 7**. If you have questions, please contact Jennifer Monger, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, at mongerj@adw.org.



2023 Spring Course Registration

Registration for MSDE-approved Spring continuing professional development (CPD) courses is now open! Course registration will close on **March 5, 2023**. Registrants will receive an invitation to attend a Virtual Meet and Greet with their instructor(s) on March 8 from 3:30PM to 4:30PM. Please see the course registration and catalog links below for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Monger, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, at mongerj@adw.org.

[Spring Course Registration](#)
[2023 Spring Course Catalog](#)



15th Annual Golden Apple Awards

This spring the Archdiocese of Washington Catholic Schools will award the fifteenth annual Golden Apple Awards for excellence in teaching. Ten of our teachers will be honored for their outstanding teaching and commitment to Catholic education.

The Golden Apple Award is the creation of the Donahue Family Foundation. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Donahue were the parents of 13 children, all of whom were educated in Catholic schools. Eager to express their deep appreciation to Catholic school teachers for providing a quality academic and faith-filled education for their children, the Foundation has established this award in five dioceses around the country.

ADW teachers, parents and students are invited by their principal to annually nominate a teacher for the Golden Apple Award. Please direct them to submit a nomination form to the principal by **February 10, 2023**. All individuals nominated are then to complete a Golden Apple application form to submit to their principal by **February 28, 2023**. After reviewing the nomination forms and applications forms, a committee at each school will select one teacher that will represent the school by **March 10, 2023**. The selected teacher's application is then scanned and attached to an email to Chris Buchleitner (BuchleitnerC@adw.org) at the Catholic Schools Office by **March 21, 2023**.

Applications will only be accepted electronically via a single PDF document. No late applications will be accepted. The CSO will send an email to the principal when the application is received.

A selection committee made up of former Golden Apple winners, administrators, board members and parents will then evaluate the entries and choose 10 winners with the approval of the Secretary for Catholic Schools. In May 2023 each of the 10 teachers will be presented a golden apple, a Certificate of Achievement, and a check for **\$5,000**.

We encourage all schools to participate and celebrate the extraordinary teachers who provide such benefit to our Catholic schools!

Go to the Principal portal>Academic Excellence>Golden Apple Award to find:

- Nomination form
- Application form
- Information and eligibility requirements