



Xavier University

Center For Catholic Education

A Vision Of Greatness For Catholic Schools

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A Message From The Director



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Xavier's Center For Catholic Education has only been in existence for 10 months. But what a great time it has been. The input we received from the two Summits on Catholic Education that were held in May and June has guided our path. Although we are only in our infancy, the Center's Associate Director, Robert Bueter, S.J., and I have embarked on many programs to promote the health and quality of Catholic education in our region. Our center is funded through the generosity of individuals, foundations, and corporations who share a *vision of greatness for Catholic schools*—our motto. This newsletter is intended to highlight some of the programs of our young Center. We are proud of the partnership we have established with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Catholic Schools Office, Bro. Joe Kamis, and Mickie Gummer. Fr. Bueter and I believe the future is bright for Catholic Education. Know that we will continue to do our part!

Ann Buenger Catholic Speaker Series



Barbara Coloroso, an internationally recognized speaker and author in the areas of parenting, teaching, school discipline, and conflict resolution, will present at Xavier's Cintas Center on November 29, 2007 from 4 - 6 pm. She is a former elementary and high school teacher and

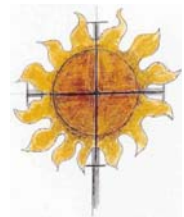
will have the audience laughing while inspiring all to be great educators. You won't want to miss this outstanding speaker...she spans the grade levels and her message is for parents, too. The event is free but reservations are required. Telephone the Center for Catholic Education to reserve your place today!

Initiative For Catholic Schools Program is Strong



Leadership, Mathematics, and Science programs in participating schools have been greatly enhanced because of the generosity of the Clement and Ann Buenger Foundation. Thirty five Archdiocese of Cincinnati schools have now benefited from this great professional development program. Application for a new cohort of 15 schools will take place during the Spring of 2008. Selected schools will then receive a full year of professional development for their principal, a mathematics teacher, and a science teacher at no cost! Telephone the Center for Catholic Education for details.

Center Sponsors Master's Degree



A special cohort of Catholic school teachers and administrators is forming to begin a Master of Education Degree during the Spring 2008 semester. The first 12 semester hours of the 30 semester hour program will be offered at Purcell Marian High School with the balance of program's course work being completed on Xavier's campus. For this special

cohort, members will receive nearly a 60% tuition discount. Enrollment is limited. Telephone the Center for Catholic Education for registration details.

Mark Brown Speaks To Diocesan Students



Mark Brown is an Emmy-nominated dynamic speaker whose unique blend of insight and humor leaves his audiences entertained, uplifted, and inspired. Mark spoke on the topic of bullying to 2,600 seventh- and eighth-grade Archdiocesan students at Xavier's Cintas Center on October 31st. The event was hosted by the Center for Catholic Education and was jointly sponsored by our Center, *The Catholic Digest*, and *The Readers's Digest*.

Building Catholic School Enrollment



A special workshop for interested Catholic Elementary school leaders was sponsored by Xavier's Center for Catholic Education and The School of Education. John Cooper, a nationally recognized expert on enhancing Catholic school enrollment, conducted the daylong program. Nearly 50 educators were trained using Cooper's proven techniques.

The Leadership Scholars Program



The Leadership Scholars Program is a leadership development and mentorship program for sixth-, seventh-, and eighth-grade students in the nine urban Catholic elementary schools. The

program's mission is to provide the selected urban students with opportunities to develop their leadership abilities through focused leadership education and mentor relationships with trained, outstanding high school leaders. Our Center is proud to partner with Leadership Scholars in sponsoring this program.

Center Assistance To Area Catholic Schools



Staff of Xavier's Center For Catholic Education have provided active service to many area Catholic schools. We serve on school boards, education commissions, and provide a variety of services including assistance with strategic planning, enrollment management, financial management, marketing, and public relations. The Center also provides programs in professional development and faith formation while supporting research and assessment.

This outreach to the Catholic community is one way we at Xavier promote our identity and heritage by providing services in the transmission of the faith and the development of Catholic education.

Some area schools that have utilized our staff include:

- Purcell Marian High School
- St. Xavier High School
- Mount Notre Dame High School
- Notre Dame Academy (Kentucky)
- St. Nicholas School (PLAN group)
- St. Bartholomew Consolidated

Don't hesitate to telephone the Center if we can be of assistance.

