Annual Report

A Vision of Greatness for Catholic Schools



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Initiative for Catholic Schools Professional Learning Communities Program

The Initiative for Catholic Schools is recognized as the region's premier professional development program for Catholic Educators. In 2009 the program shifted its focus to help change the culture of Catholic schools to the Professional Learning Community model. The chart to the right details the number of schools the Center



has served in both the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and the Diocese of Covington.

Catholic School Teacher Scholarship

This year 175 Catholic school teachers are attending graduate classes at Xavier for either their Master's degree or professional development. Seventy-Seven of these teachers are new to Xavier this academic year. The Center for Catholic Education sponsors a scholarship program that gives Catholic teachers a 40% reduction in tuition for coursework and workshops taken at Xavier. It's all part of our mission to advance Catholic education and support Catholic schools.

Center Sponsors Program in Jamaica

The Center for Catholic Education has reached an agreement with the University Council of Jamaica to offer an on-line Master of Education Degree in Special Education in Collaboration with St. Joseph's Teachers' College. The first students are expected to enroll during Xavier's 2017 summer session and they will visit our campus for an international experience during the summer of 2018.

Ann Buenger Catholic Speaker Series 2016

The Ann Buenger Catholic Speaker Series was held on November 17, 2016 and featured keynote speaker Fr. Don Henry. Fr. Henry's dynamic address promoted the importance of Catholic schools and challenged



teachers to be Catholic role models in the lives of their students. Each year over 800 teachers attend this motivational event. The DVD made of Fr. Henry's program was the most requested in the 13 year history of the Ann Buenger Catholic Speaker Series.

OPTIM-ALLOptimal Learning For All

This year-long workshop for Catholic school administrators is designed to help Catholic schools navigate the state and national services available to implement programs for exceptional learners. The chart to the right shows the number of Archdiocese of Cincinnati schools served by this professional development workshop.



Number of Participating Catholic Schools

Center Hosts Archdiocese Annual Catholic Schools Banquet



For the past seven years, the Center has hosted the Archdiocese of Cincinnati annual Catholic School Banquet at Xavier's Cintas Center. Nearly 500 Catholic school teachers and administrators celebrate Catholic schools. The 2017 event takes place on March 30th at the Cintas Center. First-year teachers and retirees are recognized, as well as those who have been teachers for 25, 35, 45 years or more.



Bob Henson Named Outstanding Catholic Educator At 2017 Excellence in Education Awards

The Excellence in Education Awards are sponsored by Northern Kentucky University, University of Cincinnati, Mt. Saint Joseph University, Xavier University, and the Cincinnatus Association. The 2017 event took place on February 14 where Bob Henson was presented his plaque and \$500 check by Dr. Michael Flick.



Bob is a Social Studies teacher at Villa Madonna Academy in Northern Kentucky. Xavier's Center for Catholic Education coordinates the Excellence in Education Awards program for Xavier University and will host the program at Cintas Center in 2018. Shown are Michael Flick and Bob Henson.

State Tournament of Mathematics Hosted at Xavier

The annual Ohio Council of Teachers of Mathematics State
Tournament of Mathematics has been hosted by Xavier's Mathematics
Department and Center for Catholic Education for the past 28 years.
The center also coordinates all awards for the competition at the State
level. Eight local high schools finished in Ohio's top 20 for 2016 and
included two Catholic schools: St. Xavier High School and Summit
Country Day School. Kennedy Auditorium in the Conaton Learning
Commons is the site of competition.

