

The Owensboro Catholic Consolidated School System, Inc., known as Owensboro Catholic Schools (OCS), is in partnership with fifteen parishes in Owensboro/Daviess County to fulfill the OCS Mission and the Mission of the Church.

## **OCS Mission Statement**



Owensboro Catholic Schools share in the mission of the Church in communion with families and parishes to provide excellence in Catholic faith formation and academics which prepare students to become responsible members of family, Church, and community.

## **OCS Values**

## We Value

- An environment that is Christ centered which inspires respect for the dignity of the person at all levels of life and fosters a way of life that is fully turned to God as its end
- Excellence in education and moral formation that gives our students the best opportunity to become responsible, practicing adult Catholics "to fill a critical role in the future life of the Church, our country and our world" (*The Catholic School on the Threshold of the Third Millennium*, 1997)
- Actions that reflect higher standards of performance as well as transparency in all operations
- Decisions that express compassion, reveal integrity, exhibit fiscal responsibility, are consistent with the system's stated mission, and are always focused on the interests of the students



## **OCS Vision**

- 1. The mission and values of the Owensboro Catholic Schools will be known and understood throughout the Catholic community.
- 2. Owensboro Catholic Schools will be supported by the shared sacrifice of the entire Catholic community of Owensboro/Daviess County, including but not limited to: pastors and parishioners of the 15 sponsoring parishes; administrators, teachers, support staff and parent volunteers; parents, families, and students; and generous donors. Abundant blessings are experienced by those participating in the shared sacrifice. "When you give of yourself to a cause that serves God and His people, blessings are returned to you a thousand fold and more." Rev. Ted Hesburgh, President Emeritus, University of Notre Dame.
- 3. A high quality Catholic education will be provided for every student.
- 4. In cooperation with the Diocesan Office of Catholic Schools, the Owensboro Catholic Schools leadership will provide salaries and benefits that are appropriate for the sake of justice.
- 5. Enrollment in the Owensboro Catholic Schools will grow by means of aggressive and effective marketing, recruitment and retention programs.
- 6. Catholic school education will be made available to families desiring this opportunity for their children.
- 7. Accepting the call of Pope Benedict XVI to "repropose the perennial truth of the Gospel of Christ," Owensboro Catholic Schools will proclaim the Good News that Jesus is God's Son, our Lord and Savior. We will nurture the reality that a personal relationship with the living Christ provides a foundation for both life and entry into heaven.
- 8. The Owensboro Catholic Schools will be recognized and supported as a valuable ministry by the wider Catholic community.
- 9. Funding of the Owensboro Catholic Schools shall incorporate an appropriate balance of parish subsidy, tuition and third source income.
- 10. Effective and ongoing communication to all constituents will occur.
- 11. School facilities will be fully and efficiently utilized.
- 12. The Owensboro Catholic Schools will provide access to current and essential learning resources for every student.