

# Keystone

noun: keystone

1. a central stone at the summit of an arch, locking the whole together.

2. something on which associated things depend for support



## Office for Catholic Schools

# May 20, 2019

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### May - Principal Monthly TASK List

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#### Upcoming Events for May:

**21 - [Leadership Academy Meeting](#)**

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**23 - [Principal Meeting at St Thomas Parish](#)**

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**27 - Memorial Day - OCS Offices Closed**

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## **Message from the Superintendent**

My husband and I attended the Cathedral for Sunday Mass. The Gospel this week centered on the heavenly city that is built by one commandment, to love one another as Jesus has loved us. Pretty simple recipe. And yet, in the middle of our efforts to love, it can feel like the heaviest of weights, and an impossible dream. Fr. Ryan connected the building of the heavenly city with the Myth of Sisyphus. Sisyphus was doomed to an eternity of pushing a boulder up the hill, only to find his efforts in vain as the enormous rock, upon reaching the top of the hill, rolled back down. So when I think about our work in the schools, sometimes the comparisons are easier to see with the myth than with the Gospel. Fr. Ryan challenged me to consider the many tasks to which God has called me, that often feel like the pushing against greater forces. The Gospel speaks of the "City of God!" Perhaps our rocks are actually building blocks. Through our touch, our words, our efforts, our traveling beside, each intentional act helps turn the boulder into a foundational building block for the heavenly city. Thank you Fr. Ryan. This lesson is important for us all to remember in this month of May.

See you soon at the All Principal Meeting, Thursday, May 23. We begin with Mass at 8:30.

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## **Catholic Identity**



### **MISSIONS OFFICE**

The Archdiocese has chosen to close the Missions Office and eliminate its staffing positions as of June 30, 2019. You can read the Missions announcement [here](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com) [[ocsww.us3.list-manage.com](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com)]. This will **not** impact the continuation of the **Missionary Discipleship Institute (MDI)** which will now be housed in the Office for Catholic Schools (OCS), along with Maryknoll, and continue to be a signature program of the Archdiocese of Seattle. To learn more about MDI, please [click here](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com) [[ocsww.us3.list-manage.com](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com)].

## **ACRE 2019 DATA**

Per *My Catholic Technologies*, we believe 51 of 62 participated and the 51 schools are set to review their ACRE data! There is a new data dashboard offered by this company to see your results online and then filter your data as you tell your ACRE data story. Our liaison is **Cara Sanders** and she can help you with specific needs tied to the ACRE dashboard. There is a one-page [ACRE Online Report Access Instructions Sheet \[ocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](#) already in place to guide you but if you need more, contact Cara directly. Please add Cara contact info to your address books:

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## **Professional Development - Summer 2019**

### **JUNE 24-25, 2019 - THE 2019 ANNUAL PRIVATE SCHOOL SUMMER CONFERENCE**

- Location: Seattle, Seattle Pacific University
- **9 a.m.– 4 p.m. Differentiation: Practical Strategies for Implementation**
- FREE to private school educators employed by State Board of Education approved private schools
- Preschool teachers can use the training for STARS credit
- Each session will contain the same content and materials. Details on the conference topic to come. • Training materials are included
- Provides free clock hours!

**Registration:** [Click here to register! \[ocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com) The last day to register for all conference dates will be **May 31**. No late registrations will be accepted.

Conference Meals: Title II, Part A Office at the U.S. Department of Education does not allow the use of federal funds to provide food and beverages at meetings or professional development training sessions. We encourage all conference participants to plan accordingly.

For more information, please call: 360-725-6361 or email [title2quality@k12.wa.usa](mailto:title2quality@k12.wa.usa).

### **AUGUST 14, 2019 - DIVERSIFIED LEARNERS CONFERENCE**

- Presenter: Michael J. Boyle, Ph.D. Andrew M Greeley Center of Catholic Education, School of Education, Loyola University Chicago.
- Sponsored by the Diversified Learners Executive Committee.
- Location: St. Thomas Parish, 4415 S 140th St Tukwila, WA 98168
- Time: 8:15 AM to 4:00 PM Registration coming soon.

### **AUGUST 19, 2019 - "LET'S TALK ABOUT DIVERSITY! BUILDING DISCERNMENT & SKILLS FOR DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION IN OUR SCHOOLS"**

- Presenter: Alison Park. This day is sponsored by the Fulcrum Foundation Diversity Committee
- Time: August 19, 2019 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM
- Where: St. Thomas Parish, 4415 S 140th St. Tukwila, WA 98168
- Who: Archdiocese of Seattle staff, teachers, administrators
- Why: Learn language, tools, and practices to support DEI (Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion)
- Cost: This is a free event sponsored by The Fulcrum Foundation. Lunch will be provided.
- Clock Hours: YES!
- Registration coming soon.

## **AUGUST 20-21, 2019 - 2019 ANNUAL PRIVATE SCHOOLS SUMMER CONFERENCE**

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- **9 a.m.– 4 p.m. Differentiation: Practical Strategies for Implementation**
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## **Governance and Leadership**

### **MEASLES ALERT**

Due to the recent report(s) of measles exposure in the area please share this alert with your school community.

“If there is an outbreak within your school community of a vaccine-preventable disease that a student or faculty member has not been immunized against these Washington State Department of Health, guidelines are to be followed.



Your student (or staff member), will not be able to attend school for at least 21 days or until the last rash presents itself (which could be 60 days or longer.) “

## TEACHER RECRUITMENT AND HIRING MANNERS

- [It is not professionally ethical for school administrators to approach a teacher who is under a covenant at another school.](#)
- Teachers are encouraged to first speak with his/her principal before contacting another school or administrator about an employment opportunity.
- School principals who interview a candidate who is currently employed by another Catholic school, need to have that teacher’s application on file in AppliTrack. Covenants should not be offered until the AppliTrack file is updated and reviewed.
- If a candidate lacks a teacher certification, know that there are some certifications available from the state for people who have special qualifications or meet certain circumstances.
  - It is important to require the candidate to work with the certification office to acquire a conditional or an emergency certification.

**PLEASE CONTACT Eugenia [EugeniaGeisel@seattlearch.org](mailto:EugeniaGeisel@seattlearch.org) when posted positions are filled so it can be removed from the listing!!**

## APPLITRACK

Please accept our apologies for **APPLITRACK** being a challenge to work with the last couple of weeks. The changes were unannounced to us before the day the changes went in to place!! Hopefully all have gotten “back on track”!

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## Academic Excellence

### GRACE FORUM REGISTRATION

Use the [Title IIA request form \[ocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com) to register your team for



the June GRACE forum. The registration deadline was **May 1<sup>st</sup>**, so please register **ASAP**. Please contact Kaitlyn O'Leary with any questions.

### **GRACE TEAM REGISTRATION**

In addition to registering for the forum, we are asking each school to [register their teacher leaders \[jocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://jocsww.us3.list-manage.com) to participate in the GRACE program next year. [Click here \[jocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://jocsww.us3.list-manage.com) to register by **June 1<sup>st</sup>**!

### **NEW TEACHER CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FAQ**

[Click here \[jocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://jocsww.us3.list-manage.com) to get your questions answered, and please share this with your staff!

### **CEL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT INITIAL REGISTRATION FORMS - DUE JUNE 1ST**

We are offering some exciting new training opportunities with the Center for Educational Leadership next year. We will open the formal Title IIA registration site in the fall, but we need to gather initial commitments to finalize our contracts. Please fill out the initial registration form now to let us know you hope to participate in this training next year. If something changes, we won't hold you to it!

- Elementary Training Registration Link:  
[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CEL2019Arch \[jocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CEL2019Arch)
- High School Training Registration Link:  
[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HSArch2019 \[jocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HSArch2019)

### **SAMPLE LANGUAGE FOR TITLE IIA AND TITLE IVA PLANS**

It's the time of year in which you are asked to submit Title funding plans to your local school district. The documents below provide some helpful sample language for use in the different plans you will be crafting.

- [Title IIA- Elementary \[jocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://jocsww.us3.list-manage.com)
- [Title IIA- High School \[jocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://jocsww.us3.list-manage.com)

- [Title IVA- Elementary and High School \[ocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com)

### **ACCREDITATION TEAM MEMBER REGISTRATION**

We are currently looking for team members to be on our visiting teams for accreditation next year - both high school and elementary. If you are interested, [please register here \[ocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com). If you have any questions, please contact [Janeal](#).

### **2019-2020 LEADERSHIP ACADEMY**

The Office for Catholic Schools and the Fulcrum Foundation offer the Leadership Academy, a yearlong leadership development program for aspiring and new principals. Recognized Catholic school leaders and shareholders will teach courses in managerial, academic, spiritual, and strategic leadership. Working in solidarity to ensure a system of excellent Catholic schools, the Leadership Academy will provide the knowledge, skills, strategies and best practices for current and future school leaders.

**WHO:** New and Aspiring principals

**WHEN: 2019-2020 Dates:**

- **Summer Workshop- TBD**
- **October 8th**
- **November 12th**
- **February 11th**
- **April 7th**
- **May 26th**

The Leadership Academy meetings will be held from **3:00pm-6:00pm**

**WHERE:** Chancery (Orr Conference Room), 910 Marion Street, Seattle WA 98104

**WHAT:** Leadership training in the following areas: Academics, Spirituality, Management & Strategic Planning

*Click here* for a short video account of how the Fulcrum Foundation and Office for Catholic School are collaborating to build leadership capacity: [Building Leadership Capacity Video \[ocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com)



[Recommend an aspiring leader \[ocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com)

Contact Kelly Surapaneni at [KSurapaneni@fulcrumfoundation.org](mailto:KSurapaneni@fulcrumfoundation.org).

### **EMMAUS LEADERSHIP SERIES - BOSTON COLLEGE**

[Emmaus Leadership Series \[bc.edu\]](https://bc.edu) [\[ocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com), Boston College's premier program for in-the-field Catholic school presidents, principals, assistant principals and heads of school, is currently accepting applications for a **July 2019 start**.

The Emmaus Series is a 20 month program offering leaders formation in knowledge, skills and dispositions for the particular context of the Catholic school. The program consists of 3 short retreats, 8 day-long workshops, and 8 hour long webinars. Because the work of leading a school is shared, 3-5 school colleagues attend the workshops and webinars with the leader. The program costs \$2000 which can be paid with Title II funds.

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## **Fulcrum Foundation News**



### **PARTNERS IN MISSION: NATIONAL ADVANCEMENT SUMMER INSTITUTE FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS - JUNE 23-27**

Partners in Mission hosts a national conference in Boston every June. This conference is geared to Catholic schools and has two tracks: enrollment management and advancement. Several schools have made the decision to attend this year and Conne Bruce from Fulcrum will also be attending. See the conference brochure [here \[ocsww.us3.list-manage.com\]](https://ocsww.us3.list-manage.com).

If you plan on attending, or have additional questions, please contact Conne Bruce at 206.748.7989 or [conne.bruce@fulcrumfoundation.org](mailto:conne.bruce@fulcrumfoundation.org).

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