

Press Release for St. Mary's Catholic School

The Minnesota Nonpublic School Accrediting Association (MNSAA) has renewed the accreditation of St. Mary's Catholic School in Sleepy Eye for the eligibility period of 2012 to 2019. Accreditation is a voluntary method of quality assurance with a goal to evaluate, validate, and improve each school's quality.

MNSAA is a federally- and state-sanctioned nonprofit association for accrediting nonpublic schools in the State of Minnesota. The Association's mission is to be a catalyst for enhancing the quality of nonpublic education in Minnesota through a comprehensive process of accreditation. Our agency helps schools provide quality nonpublic education for the children of Minnesota for its member schools. MNSAA is governed by a member-elected Board of Directors that bases its accreditation on a school's evaluation through a self-study process.

Schools are accredited based on their compliance with a set of rigorous standards which identify essential personnel, curriculum, instruction, facility, governance, and marketing policies and practices that are considered necessary for an effective school. The accreditation process includes the creation of a visionary and focused strategic plan for improvement and an onsite visit by a team of educators from member schools. Accreditation with MNSAA relies richly on how the individual school defines its mission and the way it seeks to accomplish its goals in keeping with its mission.

MNSAA is pleased to have St. Mary's Catholic School join some of the more than 170 accredited schools that make up our Association. MNSAA salutes St. Mary's commitment to providing an outstanding educational program to the children of this community. MNSAA will continue to provide guidance to St. Mary's School through an annual review of its strategic plan for continued growth and improvement.

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We are committed to helping all students reach their full potential in a nurturing and safe school.

We put that commitment into practice by earning accreditation from the Minnesota Nonpublic School Accrediting Association (MNSAA).

What does this mean to you?

It means you can rest assured that your students are receiving a quality education.

It means that:

- Students are taught by qualified teachers;
- The curriculum is rigorous and integrated with best professional practices;
- Our school complies with State of Minnesota guidelines for safety and well-being; and
- Oversight is provided by a concerned governing body.

It means that the quality of our educational program is nationally recognized.

It means that we go beyond state requirements and hold ourselves accountable for meeting nationally recognized standards of excellence.

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