



## WISCONSIN CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

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### **GOVERNOR WALKER PROCLAIMS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**

Governor Scott Walker has proclaimed January 29 through February 5, 2012, as Catholic Schools Week in Wisconsin.

The proclamation coincides with the national observance of Catholic Schools Week by Catholic schools across the country. The theme for this year's observance is "Catholic Schools: Faith. Academics. Service."

The proclamation recognizes the over 300 Catholic schools in the state now serving nearly 61,000 Wisconsin students. These numbers indicate a slight increase in Catholic school enrollment statewide from last year.

In the proclamation, Governor Walker states, "Catholic schools strive to foster the growth of the whole person in preparation for the future." The proclamation continues, "Catholic schools recognize the role of parents as the primary educators of their children, successfully involve parents and communities in support of schools, and encourage local creativity and excellence in education."

Catholic schools across the state will host a multitude of events in recognition of Catholic Schools Week.

**A copy of the proclamation is attached.**

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