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GOVERNOR EVERS PROCLAIMS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Governor Tony Evers has proclaimed January 26 through February 1, 2020, as Catholic Schools Week in Wisconsin. The proclamation coincides with the national observance of Catholic Schools Week and recognizes the nearly 280 Catholic schools in Wisconsin now serving approximately 53,000 Wisconsin students.

While Catholic Schools Week has been celebrated for generations, the proclamation notes the even longer tradition of Catholic education in Wisconsin. Catholic schools have served Wisconsin students for nearly two hundred years. As noted in the proclamation, Catholic schools "endeavor to foster a learning environment emphasizing personal responsibility and community service for students, their families, and the surrounding communities."

The Governor's words are in keeping with this year's Catholic Schools Week theme, "Catholic Schools: Learn. Serve. Lead. Succeed." The annual week-long observance celebrates a vital ministry of the Church and a valuable community resource, our Catholic schools. For hundreds of thousands of students in Wisconsin, Catholic schools have provided this opportunity and will continue to do so for thousands more.

Catholic schools across Wisconsin are hosting a multitude of events in observance of Catholic Schools Week, including Masses, open houses, and special activities. To find out the special ways in which this week is being celebrated, contact your local Catholic school or visit the school's website.

A copy of the proclamation is attached.

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