

WISCONSIN CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

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GOVERNOR EVERS PROCLAIMS CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Governor Tony Evers has proclaimed January 28 through February 3, 2024, as Catholic Schools Week in Wisconsin. The proclamation coincides with the national observance of Catholic Schools Week and recognizes the over 275 Catholic schools in Wisconsin now serving over 51,000 Wisconsin students.

While Catholic education has been celebrated for generations, we have celebrated Catholic Schools Week in the United States since 1974 and Catholic education has nearly two centuries of history in Wisconsin. As noted in the proclamation, Catholic schools provide "a learning environment that emphasizes the formation of Catholic values and a commitment to community service."

The Governor's words are in keeping with the theme of Catholic Schools Week, "Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community." 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 many events in observance of Catholic Schools Week, including Masses, open houses, and special activities for students. 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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