



## *HSA Catholic School Update*

10/2/2020, *Feast of the Guardian Angels*

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Greetings Holy Spirit Academy Community,

We have some wonderful news to share! If you follow *The Catholic Spirit* newspaper, you may have seen that a story was published today which profiles Holy Spirit Academy. You may have also noted in the article details on how we have received canonical recognition as a "Catholic School" from the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. This recognition process, which has taken over three years of work, was finally concluded this week with a conferral of the title of "Catholic school" to Holy Spirit Academy. In

addition to the article mentioned above, a memorandum from the archdiocese has been sent to other archdiocese Catholic schools announcing our official change of canonical status. Moreover, we received today a personal letter from Bishop Andrew Cozzens with his blessing, which we are eager to share with you all and attach to the bottom of this email. With the article published in *The Catholic Spirit*, the memorandum sent to other Catholic schools, and Bishop Cozzens's warm and welcoming letter, we want to make sure you hear the good news! Below is the link to the article with more information about what this status means for HSA. Thank you for your support through the years as we grow and put down roots. With your help, Holy Spirit Academy has a bright future as a Catholic School. Venerable Fulton Sheen, pray for us!

<https://thecatholicspirit.com/news/local-news/holy-spirit-academy-in-monticello-formally-recognized-as-a-catholic-school/>

Godspeed,

Andrew M. Lang  
Headmaster  
Holy Spirit Academy

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OFFICE OF THE AUXILIARY BISHOP

September 29, 2020  
Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Holy Spirit Academy  
Board of Directors  
c/o Mr Andrew Lang  
1001 Seventh Street East, Suite 1  
Monticello, MN 55362

Dear Holy Spirit Board of Directors,

Peace in Christ.

On behalf of Archbishop Bernard Hebda, I rejoice in sharing with you the enclosed Agreement between Holy Spirit Academy and the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. Through this Agreement, which is the fruit of your persistent desire for unity and communion, Holy Spirit Academy is granted the Roman Catholic nomination, with its rights and obligations, and is united now with the Church in Saint Paul and Minneapolis in the essential and saving mission of Catholic education.

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Holy Spirit Academy, bearing the beautiful name of the third person of the Blessed Trinity, was founded as an apostolate dedicated to helping mothers and fathers deliver on their promise and pledge to provide their children with an integrated education in the Catholic faith. Trusting in the help of the Holy Spirit, through an outreach to parish communities in this vital and growing region of the Archdiocese, the Academy has over the course of years sought to provide students with a firm grounding in the Truth, who is Jesus Christ.

United as we are now in name, let us endeavor together to provide families in the region served by Holy Spirit Academy with the best possible high school option. Among the most admirable qualities that you have shown is a sincere and authentic

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desire to be at the service of parishes in the region, which I pray will bear great fruit in the years ahead for the Church.

Thank you for the sacrifices, seen and unseen, that you have made and continue to make for parents and young people. Please join me today in gratitude for the help of Our Lady, who is tireless in interceding for those desiring to be fully united to her Divine Son and his Church.

Through the unfailing help and mighty protection of Saints Gabriel, Michael and Raphael, may Almighty God strengthen you and those you serve in proposing with joy and conviction the saving truth of the Gospel.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



The Most Reverend Andrew H Cozzens, STD, DD  
Auxiliary Bishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis

Cc: Most Rev Bernard Hebda  
Very Rev Charles Lachowitz  
Dr Jason Slattery

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