



CHESTERTON ACADEMY  
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Dear Chesterton Academy of Notre Dame Community,

I am very pleased to announce that we have been approved for accreditation through the National Association of Private Catholic and Independent Schools (NAPCIS). What does this mean? 1. It shows that a third-party has investigated our school, interviewing families, staff, and students and found it to be in good working order. 2. It ensures there are no roadblocks for our students, insofar as this is possible for us as a private, Catholic school. 3. It gives us the resources that come with accreditation including a kind of teacher certification (not to be confused with state certification) and receiving help from a body that has seen multiple Catholic schools, including many Chesterton Academies, through the accreditation process.

We will soon be posting a copy of our self-study, which includes commendations and recommendations for improvements, as well as a copy of the visiting team's study of our school. I want to thank the families who came and spoke with our visiting team, our students for being who they are and showing their love and passion for our school, and our teachers for all of their contributions to this process... I am grateful for the Board of Directors' support of the vision to become accredited and for trusting me and the staff with this important process. Finally, I want to thank NAPCIS and the three members of our broader community who served as their representatives. Their keen insights have shown both that we have done well in assessing ourselves and have helped us find places and ways to make our great school even better.

Our accreditation term is for 3 years. We requested a 3 year term so we can work through the changes and challenges of a brand new school. Over the next three years we will provide annual updates to NAPCIS focused primarily on the recommendations we and the visiting team have put together. When 3 years are up, we will not find ourselves suddenly unaccredited. Rather, our continued accreditation will be based on how we have done responding to the recommendations. For that, we will need your continued support as we work to improve our school and stay focused on our mission "to raise up a generation of joyful leaders and saints, educated in the classical tradition and the truths of the Catholic faith, abounding in the skills and character requisite for success in college and professional life as well as in building up the kingdom of God, and to excel in service of family, of country, and of Christ our Lord."

Sincerely,  
David Russell Mosley, PhD  
Headmaster