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Rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the National Catholic Educational Association (NCEA) is a professional membership organization that provides leadership, direction and service to fulfill the evangelizing, catechizing and teaching mission of the Church.



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Announcements

Request for Prayers

Please keep **Diane Starkovich** (dstarkovich@archatl.com), superintendent of schools for the Archdiocese of Atlanta, in your prayers after the passing of her mother-in-law, Lucie Starkovich, yesterday. Wake and funeral will be held in Minnesota.

Please keep **Patty Weitzel-O'Neill** (patricia.weitzel-oneill@bc.edu), executive director of the Center for Catholic Education at Boston College, in your prayers after the passing of her mother, Mary Ann Weitzel, last week.

Please keep **Dr. Marie Williams** (mwilliams@dol-in.org), director of education for the Diocese of Lafayette in Indiana, in your prayers after the passing of her husband this December.

Please keep **Mary Moran** (memoran@mysharepoint.net), former superintendent in New Hampshire, who is recuperating from double by-pass heart surgery. She is home, doing well and in good spirits.

We offer a prayer of thanksgiving that the schools and parishes in the **Diocese of Mobile**, AL, were mostly spared during the recent Tornadoes in the area. Please continue to pray for those who have been affected and continue to repair the damage.

Staff Changes, Promotions, Appointments...

The Diocese of Birmingham announces the appointment of **Fr. John G. McDonald** (directorofeducation@bhmdiocese.org) as the new director of Catholic education and lifelong formation. He replaces **Frank X. Savage** who held the position for sixteen years.

The Diocese of Gallup announces the appointment of **Rev. James Walker** (dcseoffice@gmail.com) as the new superintendent.

The Diocese of Memphis announces the appointment of **Janet Donato** (janet.donato@cc.cdom.org) as the new superintendent after serving there as the interim superintendent.

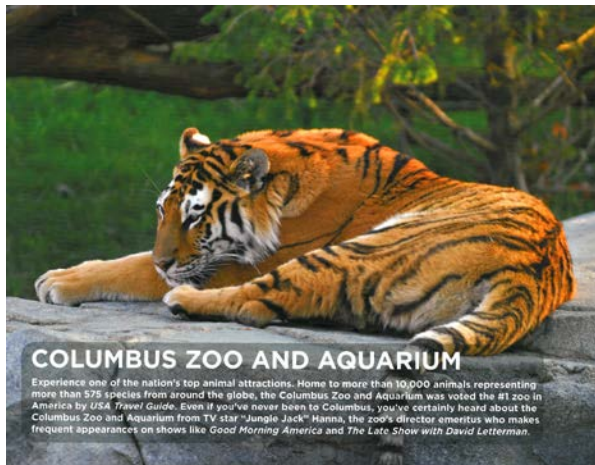
The Diocese of Norwich announces the appointment of **Ed Shine** (superintendentso@norwichdiocese.net) as the new superintendent. He replaces his brother, **John Shine** who retired from that position last November.

Please let us know if you have a staff change that you would like to announce.

CACE Annual Meeting

Columbus – Who Knew?

The 2013 CACE Annual Meeting is being held in beautiful Columbus, OH. In our continuing series highlighting the array of things to see and do in Columbus, this month we are showcasing the spectacular Columbus Zoo & Aquarium and the rich Irish heritage of Columbus. To learn more about these and other events and locations, please visit: <http://www.experiencecolumbus.com/>.



CACE Think Tank: Innovative Financial Practices

At the recent CACE Annual Meeting, several attendees participated in the session "CACE Think Tank: Innovative Financial Practices". Out of the session came a request for information. The attendees wanted to know if any arch/dioceses had a program of all parishes supporting Catholic schools, whether or not the parish had a school. You can find the results of this survey at: http://www.ncea.org/UserFiles/File/CACE-Files/Newsletters/2012/SurveySummary_CACE_Think_Tank_Financial_Practices_12062012.pdf. Thank you to all who participated.

CACE Annual Meeting Photos

All of the photos taken at the 2012 CACE Annual Meeting in San Diego are now available online at: <http://bit.ly/U1jdus>. While you are enjoying the photos, please take a moment to save the date for the 2013 CACE Annual Meeting in Columbus, OH, October 27-30. More details will be available in July 2013.

CACE Corporate Partners

Our dedicated Corporate Partners make it possible for CACE and NCEA to do what we do in support of Catholic education. You may be familiar with some of our Corporate Partners, but have you ever wondered what all of those folks actually do? Find out in our newly compiled [Corporate Partner Information Sheet](#).

CACE News & Events

Catholic Schools Week

January 27 – February 2, 2013

"Catholic Schools Raise the Standards" is the theme for Catholic Schools Week 2013, the annual celebration of the high quality, faith based education the nation's Catholic schools provide. The 2013 theme highlights the recent launch of a new initiative, the *National Standards and Benchmarks for Effective Catholic Elementary and Secondary Schools*, to ensure consistent high standards at Catholic schools across the country. The logo designed for the week illustrates a chart of steady growth culminating in the highest achievement of all, a cross representing the faith that underscores all Catholic education.



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Requests for Information

As part of Professional Development programs for faculty, the Diocese of Arlington is seeking examples of how religion is taught using technology. If you are aware of any such programs, please forward information to **Sr. Bernadette McManigal, BVM** (b.mcmanigal@arlingtondiocese.org), Superintendent of Schools.

Dr. Mimi Schuttloffel, Ph.D. (schuttloffel@cua.edu) with The Catholic University of America in conjunction with the NCEA invite you to participate in a Catholic School Leadership Survey. Your input is important because of your leadership position in a Catholic diocese. The purpose of this study is to collect information concerning leadership in Catholic schools. You can take the survey online at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/SH9HCTV>. Thank you for your participation.

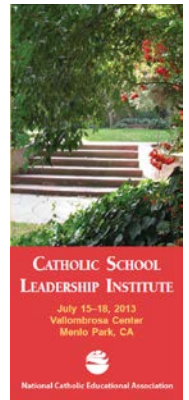
Catholic School Leadership Institute

July 25-18, 2013

Vallombrosa Center, Menlo Park, CA

In order to meet the needs of beginning principals and to support and encourage experienced principals, the NCEA has developed a summer workshop which will provide ongoing formation and support and at the same time reinvigorate those who already face the daily challenges of administration. Those teachers who are considering the ministry of administration will find the program a valuable opportunity to share their ideas and learn from experienced administrators. To learn more about this program visit: <http://www.ncea.org/CatholicSchoolLeadershipInstitute.asp>.

Please share this link and information with any of your principals or teachers who may benefit from this program.



We're on Twitter!

Follow NCEA, Bro. Bill on Twitter for updates, news and resources:

<https://twitter.com/NCEATALK>

<https://twitter.com/NCEACampbell>

Iona Grammar School and Iona Prep benefit from NCEA tax-exempt bond

Iona Preparatory School (Iona Prep) in New Rochelle, N.Y. is the first school to take advantage of low-interest loans offered to NCEA member schools through the Catholic Education Capital Corporation (CECC). The Christian Brothers-sponsored school financed a \$9 million bond to purchase and renovate the nearby Iona Grammar School. The low-interest loan provides a fixed-interest rate lower than that available through conventional financing, which means that Iona Prep will save between \$90,000 and \$180,000 per year in interest costs.

Read the full press release here: http://www.ncea.org/news/pressrelease/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=452&

For more information on financing or refinancing construction or renovations, contact David Dudik at ddudik@ncea.org.

CAPE Outlook – Fiscal Cliff Deal Affects Private Schools

The agreement that Congress approved January 1 to avert the "fiscal cliff" includes numerous provisions whose implications are still being sifted by Washington observers. But several components of the complex and dense law, called the *American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012*, are already known to carry clear consequences for private education.

Find out more in the [January issue of CAPE Outlook](#). *Shared with permission of Joe McTighe, publisher.*

CHESCS Corner

CHESCS Call for Proposals

The Catholic Higher Education Supporting Catholic Schools (CHESCS) Research Committee is soliciting proposals for presentations for its inaugural research program at the NCEA 2013 Convention & Expo in Houston, TX. This research program has been initiated to disseminate high-impact research to chief school administrators and address important questions within Catholic education. Therefore, we are seeking research proposals related to topics broadly relevant to P-12 teachers and leaders. **Proposals, which will be peer reviewed, are due on Monday January 21 by 5:00 p.m.**

Research proposals should not exceed 500 words and be reported in the following format:

1. Title
2. Research Description
 - a. Abstract
 - b. Research summary
 - c. Statement of relevance to P-12 Catholic Education
3. Presented Contact Information
 - a. Name
 - b. Email and phone

Send your proposal in an attached file to: Kevin R. Kelly (kkelly1@udayton.edu), chair, CHESCS Research Committee and dean, School of Education & Allied Professions. Please forward this call for proposals to researchers and scholars within your University and in the Catholic education community.

CHESCS at NCEA 2013 Convention & Expo

Current research on Catholic education and Catholic schools has resulted in many challenging and provocative studies. Select members from CHESCS (Catholic Higher Education Supporting Catholic Schools), all of whom are faculty members from Catholic universities working in support of K-12 Catholic schools, will present an overview of some important recent research. The session will be **Tuesday, April 2, from 1:15-2:30 pm**. Be sure to add this session to your convention schedule!

Boston College Summer Institute

June 24-August 2, 2013

The Summer Institute at the **Boston College's** School of Theology and Ministry offers the opportunity to study with renowned theological and ministerial scholars in an environment of retreat and renewal over a six-week period in Summer 2013. Join us for a one-, two-, four-, or six-week program, or begin work on a master of arts degree in pastoral ministry or a post-master's certificate in spiritual formation. For more information, please visit: www.bc.edu/stmsummer.

Wisdom & Witness 2013

June 26-28, 2013

University of Dayton's Center for Catholic Education in conjunction with the NCEA bring you *Wisdom & Witness 2013*. This national conference for religion teachers, campus ministers, school principals and assistant principals will be held at the University of Dayton. For more information, please visit: <http://www.udayton.edu/education/cce/index.php>.

Urban Catholic Education: Meeting the Needs of ALL Learners

July 12, 2013

University of Dayton's Center for Catholic Education will host the 2013 Catholic Education Summit. *Urban Catholic Education: Meeting the Needs of ALL Learners* will be the focus of this summit. Educators from all settings - urban, suburban, and rural - will find this conference to be informative. Virtual and on-campus participation will be available. For more information, visit: <http://www.udayton.edu/education/cce/index.php>.

CHESCS Corner

Making Decisions to Sustain Your Mission

July 18-21, 2013

University of San Francisco's Institute for Catholic Educational Leadership hosts "Making Decisions to Sustain Your Mission", a conference for trustee leadership in Catholic education. For more information, visit: http://www.usfca.edu/soe/ctr_institutes/icel/conference/.

Stewardship and Benefaction for Catholic Schools

September 22-24, 2013

University of Notre Dame hosts the Stewardship and Benefaction for Catholic Schools, the last in a series of conferences sponsored by Catholic institutions of higher education inspired by the Carnegie Conversation, held in Palo Alto, CA several years ago. For more information, contact Fr. Ron Nuzzi at Ronald.J.Nuzzi.1@nd.edu.

Find more CHESCS member hosted events at: <http://www.ncea.org/departments/cace/CHESCSEvents.asp>

Readings

In an effort to provide information on important topics, a section has been added to the CACE web-page titled [READINGS](#). Below are the most recently added items.

Leadership Principles from Connected Principals:

<http://connectedprincipals.com/archives/6984>

21 Reasons to Use Tablets in the 21st Century Classroom:

<http://www.teachthought.com/technology/reasons-to-use-tablets-in-the-21st-century-classroom/>

Innovative Program Helps Retain Catholic Teachers:

<http://www.religionnews.com/2013/01/02/innovative-program-helps-retain-catholic-teachers/>

With Catholic Enrollment Down, Archdiocese Launches Study:

<http://blogs.courier-journal.com/faith/2013/01/03/with-catholic-enrollment-down-archdiocese-launches-study/>

The First Job of a Leader Is to Face Reality:

<http://www.georgeambler.com/the-first-job-of-a-leader-is-to-face-reality/>

School Lock-down Best Practices Offered by SchoolReach:

<http://www.schoolreach.com/school-lockdown-guides.html>

Daily and Life Lessons: The Benefits of a Catholic Education:

<http://www.uscatholic.org/blog/201301/daily-and-life-lessons-benefits-catholic-education-26727>

Momentum Magazine: Satellite School Sites:

http://www.dioceseofgrandrapids.org/Documents/WINGS_article_Dec2012_Momentum_mag.pdf

Newton Tragedy Raises Questions Over Local School Security Procedures:

http://m.buglenewspapers.com/mobile/joliet/article_b96240e6-55ce-11e2-8dec-0019bb30f31a.html

If you have any links, suggested readings, etc., please email them to Bro. Bill at wcampbell@ncea.org.

Helpful Resources

NCEA Departmental Newsletters available online to CACE members

As a service to CACE members, all NCEA departmental electronic newsletters are available by clicking on the appropriate link listed below. Please make use of these newsletters and share them with your colleagues who might benefit from the information provided.

- Elementary Department: <http://www.ncea.org/departments/elementary/IndexofElementaryNews.asp>
- Secondary Department: <http://www.ncea.org/departments/secondary/newsletters/enews/>
- Boards & Councils Department: <http://www.ncea.org/departments/boards/indexofboardnews2010ydz.asp>

Job Bank

NCEA is pleased to offer its members the services of a Job Bank to make known the various openings in Catholic education and catechetical ministry throughout the United States. Individuals seeking employment in Catholic education may post their resumes/CV here as well. To access the Job Bank, [click here!](#)

Links in Education Week:

<http://www.edweek.org/ew/collections/links/2012/12/05/13links.h32.html?cmp=SOC-SHR-TW>

Updating Your Records

Keeping our records up-to-date ensures that you will receive access to your member benefits and enables us to produce a more accurate membership directory. If you need to update your membership information or would like to announce the addition of a new staff member, please contact Meg DeBoe at mdeboe@ncea.org.

Public Policy Update

Please check the Public Policy webpage for recent updates: <http://www.ncea.org/public/index.asp>. If you have specific public policy or research questions, please contact Sr. Dale McDonald, PBVM, Ph.D., director of research and public policy, at mcdonald@ncea.org.

NCEA News & Events

Hurricane Sandy Relief

To help people in our Catholic education community affected by Hurricane Sandy, NCEA has partnered with Catholic Charities USA to establish the [2012 Hurricane Sandy Catholic Education Fund](#).

Gifts may be made by check or credit card only. Checks should be made payable to *Catholic Charities USA* and mailed to: 2050 Ballenger Ave, Suite 400, Alexandria, VA 22314. Note on the check that the gift is for the 2012) Hurricane Sandy Catholic Education Fund. For credit card donations, contact Beth Suarez at Catholic Charities at 703-236-6248, who will take the necessary information to process the gift.

Year of Faith Resources

The Year of Faith marks the 50-year anniversary of the opening of Vatican II and the 20-year anniversary of the publication of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Catholics are called to experience a conversion – to turn back to Jesus and enter into a deeper relationship with him.

Catholic schools are called to “offer students a living witness to the Lord and to nurture their faith” (note with Pastoral Recommendations for the Year of Faith, January 6, 2012). This can be done through special events, retreats, speakers, service projects, study of the Youth Catechism and discovering the documents of Vatican II. Professional resources and ideas to celebrate The Year of Faith in Catholic schools are available on the NCEA website at:

<http://www.ncea.org/about/yearoffaithresources.asp>



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NCEA Webinar Series

New [webinar series](#), beginning February 5. NCEA webinars are free to all and in one hour, will cover trending and need-to-know topics relevant to your career in Catholic education. Each webinar is hosted twice to fit your scheduling needs. All attendees will receive the recorded webinar to add to your professional development library. [Read through upcoming schedule and register today](#). First up! The Cure for the Common Core webinar, presented by Kathy Mears, Executive Director of the NCEA Elementary Schools Department. Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at 4 p.m. ET and again at 7 p.m. ET. The CACE Department is developing webinars to be added at a later date.

Enter the Year of Faith YouTube Video Contest

The NCEA Religious Education Department and [intelliVol](#) is sponsoring a [Year of Faith YouTube Video Contest](#). The theme for 2013 is "Proclaiming the Gospel through Service". Religious education leaders in NCEA member parishes and schools should work with youth in Grades 7-12 to create a 60-90 second video that highlights the learning from reflection on service by students enrolled in a Catholic school or parish religious education program. The videos must convey how the Gospel is proclaimed through service within the following parameters: 1) an invitation to Christ, 2) serving Christ, and 3) connection to the Church.



Review contest rules at: http://www.ncea.org/UserFiles/File/RelEd/ncea_yearoffaithvideocontest_rules.pdf. The submission deadline is **January 31, 2013**. For questions, please contact Lori Dahlhoff at 571-257-1994 or ldahlhoff@ncea.org.

Teaching Exceptional Learners in Catholic Schools Conference

January 31 – February 2, 2013

Join us in sunny Tampa, Florida for the 2013 Teaching Exceptional Learners Conference (TELC)! Formerly known as the Special Needs Conference, TELC is committed to our Catholic school students who work hard to learn and the committed teachers who teach them! TELC addresses the needs of Catholic school teachers and administrators by providing expertise from Catholic school professionals who work with our students.

Teacher Appreciation Day

February 1, 2013

Teachers in Catholic schools model the Gospel in all they do. The relationships they build with students affect them throughout their lives. The Friday during Catholic Schools Week has been designated by the Elementary Department as *Teacher Appreciation Day*. Please take a moment to show the teachers in your life (co-workers, past teachers) how much you appreciate them.

Coordinate a Regional CCHD Multi-Media Youth Contest

The USCCB Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) with support from RCL Benziger is sponsoring the [2013 CCHD Multi-Media Youth Contest](#). This year's theme is "Be a Disciple! Put Two Feet of Love in Action."

Religious educators lead youth grades 7-9 or grades 11-12 through 5 easy steps to learn about U.S. poverty, the Church's response, and the Two Feet of Love in Action model. Youth then create multi-media works of any type (e.g. painting, video, poetry, dance, etc.) and work to educate their peers before submitting their entries. Contest materials are available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#).

Any diocesan office can facilitate the contest (i.e. the Religious Education, Catholic Schools, Youth Ministry, Social Concerns, or Hispanic Ministry office) and individuals may contact the national office in areas without a regional contest. The contest deadline is **March 31, 2013**. Contact Jill Rauh at CCHD (202-541-3000 x3297, jrauh@usccb.org) with any questions.



NCEA 2013 Convention & Expo in Houston, Texas

April 2-4, 2013

[REGISTER NOW!](#)

The Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston is very excited to host the NCEA 2013 Convention & Expo in beautiful Houston, Texas. Registration and housing are open! Remember to book your hotel room early! Please check Convention Central at: www.ncea.org/convention for updates.



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