

November 13, 2017

MEMO

To: Teachers, Parents, and Parishioners at St. Ferdinand, St. Norbert and St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

From: Partnership School Parent Advisory Committee

Re: PAC Members and New School Name Ideas

Last spring, Archbishop Carlson approved a recommendation to create a new Kindergarten through 8th grade educational entity serving St. Ferdinand, St. Norbert and St. Rose Philippine Duchesne Parishes. This new educational entity will be in place for the 2018-19 school year. Specifically, this educational entity will:

- be one school located at three separate sites. Each current school will join together to create this new partnership school (St. Ferdinand School + St. Norbert School + St. Rose Philippine Duchesne School = One New Partnership School)
- have a Kindergarten through 8th grade educational program at each parish school site that provides current best practices and enhancements
- each parish will continue to operate its own preschool program as part of this partnership
- be governed by a corporate board of members that includes the Superintendent of Catholic Education and a Board of Directors
- receive an annual financial commitment from the Archdiocese in the form of an Annual Catholic Appeal operating grant. This funding will help to sustain the school in the coming years.

Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

Each principal nominated four parents from their school to serve on the new Parent Advisory Committee for the new partnership school. This group will work closely with the school principals and Director of North County Schools on the following roles and responsibilities:

- Serve as an initial “Think Tank” for the pastors of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, St. Norbert and St Ferdinand and the Director of North County Catholic Schools.
- Assist in establishing a welcoming and engaging new school community for school families and parishioners.
- Provide assistance with forming/establishing the new school in certain designated areas (i.e. name of school, school uniforms, community building events and other areas TBD)
- Serve as a liaison for the school families and parishioners of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, St, Norbert and St Ferdinand by communicating and sharing information with community members.

The members of the PAC are as follows:

St. Ferdinand:	Dave Benjamin, Theresa Wright, Patrice Fenner, Mike Miloshewski
St. Norbert:	Beth Ann Casserly, Ashley Harris, Courtney Schwierjohn, Caroline Veehoff
St. Rose Philippine Duchesne:	Brittany Campbell, Jen Manker, Tralonda Woods, Rachael Younge

The contact information for your school’s PAC members will be published in your school newsletter, and you can direct any questions or feedback to these individuals. Please see the following page for your opportunity to suggest a name for the new partnership school!

Naming the New Partnership School

One of the many tasks the PAC has been given is to bring forth suggestions of names for the Partnership School. Similar partnerships have been created in the past, and names such as the new South City Catholic Academy and Holy Cross Academy (at four parish campuses) were chosen.

Since the new partnership will be one school at three parish locations, the committee would like to identify one unifying name for the partnership, with each parish site being a “campus” of the new school. For example, Holy Family Catholic Academy, St. Ferdinand Campus.

Below is a list of suggested names that were discussed at the Parent Advisory Committee meeting on Nov. 7.

- Holy Family Catholic Academy
- Holy Rosary Catholic Academy
- Florissant Catholic Academy
- North County Catholic Academy

Please think and pray about a new name for this exciting new endeavor! Your input is requested and appreciated:

- All school families and parishioners are invited to submit suggestions for the new school name by **Tuesday, November 28th**. (Detach and use the form below, or visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/new-school-name> to submit your idea online.)
- The PAC will compile a list of potential names and invite everyone to “vote” on their top 3 favorites between **Dec. 1-14th**. The list will be shared with each pastor for review and approval.
- A list of three names for the new school will be submitted to Archbishop Carlson, and he will choose the new school name from those options.

New Partnership School Name Idea Form

Please complete and return this form to your school or parish office (or offertory collection) by November 28th. You may also submit your ideas online at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/new-school-name>

Suggested Name: _____

Rationale for Suggestion (how does it relate to a Catholic tradition or charism?):

Submitted by: _____

Parish/School _____