

Future of Catholic Education

The *St. Nicholas Academy and Our Lady of the Sacred Heart School Steering Committee* met on July 1st, 8th, and 15th to continue the discussion regarding the future of Catholic education in the area. Key decisions included:

- St. Clement Parish withdrew their participation on June 23, 2009.
- Facility: Property Advisors Corp. (same company which evaluated SNA two years ago) conducted a facilities study at OLSH and provided a comparative analysis between SNA and OLSH. Property Advisors recommended OLSH as the preferred location for the school. The Steering Committee voted to accept Property Advisor's recommendation.
- Governance: After review of various governance models, the Steering Committee voted to adopt the SNA Code of Regulations.
- Executive Summary: Completed and approved by the Steering Committee. The Executive Summary will be voted on by both the OLSH Parish Council and SNA Board of Trustees at their upcoming meetings on August 6th (OLSH) and August 11th, 2009 (SNA). If approved, the Executive Summary will be submitted to the Archdiocese Catholic School Office by the deadline of August 14, 2009 for presentation at the Area Commission on Education's quarterly meeting in September 2009.

The next meeting will be held August 12th at 6:30 pm at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart.