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INSPIRING EXCELLENCE IN GOD'S CHILDREN

Dear Parents, Prospective Parents and Sumter Residents:

St. Anne & St. Jude Catholic School has an opportunity – an opportunity to begin a pathway toward sustainability for our beloved school, to give our students a more well-rounded school experience and to make Catholic education obtainable for all Sumter parents. However, this opportunity will come with many changes.

Starting in the fall, St. Anne & St. Jude Catholic School will cut the cost of its tuition, add K-4 to its curriculum, and change its focus to primary education. Students in grades 7-12 will be given the opportunity to attend Cardinal Newman School in Columbia. Additionally, the school will change its name to Holy Angels Academy.

When Holy Angels Academy opens its doors in August, the school will provide K-4 education for eligible families and students through the First Steps program. Those parents who have children in the elementary school will see a decrease in their tuition cost; however, the quality of the education will not diminish. Multiage classrooms will be utilized in grades K-5 through 6, which will allow teachers to more effectively identify student strengths and needs and deliver personalized and differentiated instruction.

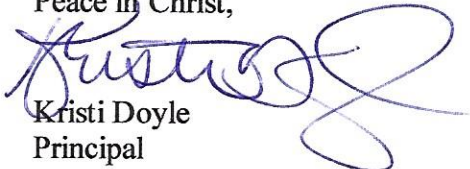
Students in grades 7-12 will be offered, in partnership with Cardinal Newman School in Columbia, the opportunity to continue their Catholic education through the 12th grade. Transportation will be provided from Sumter to the Cardinal Newman campus, and vice versa. This will allow middle and high school students to learn in a challenging, Catholic environment while having the opportunity to participate in the dozens of advanced academic classes, the arts, and extra-curricular activities that St. Anne & St. Jude cannot offer due to its small size.

Unfortunately, the reorganization will result in the elimination of those jobs that serve students in grades 7-12. These faculty and staff members will have the opportunity to apply for teaching positions in other Catholic schools.

I echo our pastor, Father Giovannie Nunez's, letter to the parish which says, "Making Catholic Education available in Sumter is our top priority. I believe that our common mission is to continue its legacy in Sumter regardless of how big or how small the school is."

Thank you for your past support and, I hope, your future support of our school.

Peace in Christ,



Kristi Doyle
Principal