

THE CHESTERTON SCHOOLS NETWORK

JOYFULLY CATHOLIC, CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOLS

Annual National Conference Sheraton Overland Park Hotel

July 30 – August 1, 2019 | Overland Park, Kansas

Draft Agenda – Subject to Change

DAY 1 - TUESDAY, JULY 30

- 2:00PM Hotel check-in and registration
- 4:00PM Opening Mass
- 5:30PM Welcome Reception
- 6:00PM Opening Dinner & School Introductions
- 8:30PM Fire & Fellowship

DAY 2 - WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

- 8:15AM Mass
- 9:00AM Breakfast and Coffee
- 9:30AM Truth in the State of Transmission: Education as Evangelization Dale Ahlquist, President, Society of Gilbert Keith Chesterton
- 10:00AM **Curriculum V2.0 Overview and Key Updates** Dave Beskar, Superintendent, Chesterton Academy of the Twin Cities and Andrew Youngblood, Director, Regina-Chesterton Academy

11:00AM Break

- 11:15AMCurriculum V2.0 Best Practices for Implementation and Impact
Jacob Schmitz, Director, My Catholic Faith Delivered
- 12:15PM Break for Lunch
- 12:30PM Lunch
- 1:30PM Chesterton's Orthodoxy and the Chesterton Curriculum Dale Ahlquist, President, Society of Gilbert Keith Chesterton
- 2:00PM **Socratic Seminar Practicum: Selections from Orthodoxy** Session Leaders, Eric DeMeuse, Headmaster, Chesterton Academy of Milwaukee; Andrew Youngblood, Director, Regina-Chesterton Academy

*Conference participants are asked to read (or re-read) **Orthodoxy** prior to the conference

- 3:00PM Break
- 3:30PM Society of G.K. Chesterton Sister Organization Teach for Christ and the Impact of Missionary Educators Richard Vigilante, Executive Chairman, Teach for Christ
- 4:00PM **Fostering Joy Through Pedagogy: The Impact of Class Structure and Interaction** Eric DeMeuse, Headmaster, Chesterton Academy of Milwaukee
- 4:45PM Vespers
- 5:00PM Adjourn
- 6:30PM Dinner Program
- 8:30PM Fire & Fellowship

DAY 3 - THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

- 8:15AM Mass
- 9:00AM Breakfast and Coffee
- 9:30AM Creating and Sustaining a Joyful School Culture: Board > School Leadership > Faculty > Staff > Students > Parents Session Leader: Brenie Bowles, Co-Founder, Chesterton Academy of the Holy Family
- 11:00AM Break

- 11:15AM **Roundtable: Best Practices for Fostering Student Leadership** Developing Virtue Through the House System, Sports, and Clubs
- 12:15PM Break for Lunch
- 12:30PM Lunch

1:30PM Break-Out Sessions – Chesterton Schools Network Partnerships

TRACK1 | FACULTY TRACK

A Coordinated Approach:

Evaluating Academic Progress Through the Classic Learning Test (CLT) Soren Schwab, Director of Secondary Partnerships and International Development, Classic Learning Test (CLT)

TRACK 2 | ADMIN TRACK

A Coordinated Approach:

NAPCIS Accreditation and Cardinal Newman Society Recognition Denise Donohue, NAPCIS Trustee and Deputy Director of K-12 Programs at The Cardinal Newman Society

2:30PM Break-Out Sessions – Best Practices

TRACK1| FACULTY TRACK

Incarnate Beauty: The Central Role of the Fine Arts at Chesterton Laura Ahlquist, Fine Arts Department Chair, Chesterton Academy of the Twin Cities

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TRACK 2 | ADMIN TRACK

Marketing & Fundraising:

Creating an Integrated Plan for the 2019-20 Academic Year

Emily de Rotstein, Executive Director & Kendra Posch, Director of Marketing; Society of Gilbert Keith Chesterton

- 3:30PM Q&A / Other Items for Discussion
- 4:00PM Closing prayer and adjourn