

# ARCHDIOCESE OF MIAMI OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

## PRINCIPAL NEWSLETTER JULY 10, 2025



### A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Principals,

With the start of July, we are now officially in the 2025/26 school year. I look forward to our efforts ahead as we prepare for the start of classes next month. We are truly “on good ground” in Catholic education in the Archdiocese of Miami!

We continue to monitor changes in federal funds and their potential impact on our Catholic schools. Most urgently, we are in close communication with our contacts in Washington regarding the current pause in the release of funds from Titles II-IV. We hope this issue will be resolved quickly, particularly ahead of the start of the new school year. We are also following the passage of federal tax credit scholarships (i.e. ECCA). While there is much still to learn about this new effort, remember that the scholarships would not begin for a full school year (until the 2026/27 ).

In the end, this is proving to be an eventful summer! We will continue to distribute communications and announcements as more information is known.

Let us pray for those affected by recent natural disasters, particularly those impacted by the flooding in Texas.

Jim Rigg, Ph.D.  
Secretary of Education  
Superintendent of Catholic Schools

### UPCOMING DATES:

- Aug. 1:** Principals’ Meeting (Our Lady of Lourdes Academy)
- Aug. 4:** New Teacher Orientation (Monsignor Pace HS)
- Aug. 5:** First Day for Teachers
- Aug. 12:** First Day of Classes (Start of First Quarter)

### ARCHBISHOP’S CUP – SAVE THE DATE:

Please see the [attached flier](#) regarding the annual Archbishop’s Cup. This event features teams of priests and seminarians competing on the soccer field. It is a wonderful way to foster vocations and celebrate the gift of the priesthood! This year’s Archbishop’s Cup will take place on Friday, January 16 at St. Thomas University. Please save the date for this event!

### CATECHETICAL RENEWAL EVENTS - REMINDER

We know that many schools are planning events (such as faculty retreats) during the week of August 5 that they wish to count towards the catechetical renewal of educators. Remember that, in order to receive renewal credit, such events must be submitted and approved at least three weeks ahead of time. Thus, most events would need to be submitted next week (the week of July 14) in order to be reviewed and approved in time. To submit a request for a Catechetical Renewal Event, use [this form](#), which is also available on the e-Library.

### NEW TEACHER ORIENTATION REGISTRATION:

**Friday, August 4th 8:30AM - 12:30PM** Monsignor Pace High School (15600 NW 32nd Ave, Miami Gardens, FL 33054)  
Please complete one form for each new teacher attending the orientation. This is any teacher new to the ADOM. If they transferred from another Archdiocesan school, they do not need to attend. Please also register any mid-year hires who did not attend the 2024 Orientation. <https://forms.office.com/r/5Gnq6wnnbe>

**I-READY UPDATES & ROSTERING DETAILS (Elementary):**

On **July 21**, principals and rostering contacts will receive the iReady **Rostering Template** to input students, teachers, and classes—just like last year. (\*You will not be adding school admins to the template.)

Included in this email on July 21:

- ✓ **Rostering Template**
- ✓ **Instructions for Completing the Template** – *Please ensure all tabs are filled out completely.*
- ✓ **Guidance from the Archdiocese** on selecting unique usernames for students.
- ✓ **Rostering Contact Information** – Reach out if you have any questions or need support during the process

**What can you do now to prepare?**

- Prepare a spreadsheet with all students and their unique username based on the information attached.
- You’ll also want to compile a list of teachers and class rosters.

 **Template Submission Deadline: End of Day on August 8**


 **Important Notes:**

With our transition to the **Florida B.E.S.T. Standards**, there is **no need to deactivate students**. All users will select **FLORIDA** when logging in to iReady.

If you would like to download or print any historical data, **please do so before August 14<sup>th</sup>**. Historical data from 2024/25 will not be available on the dashboard.

We are also excited to support your teams during our **Rooted and Ready** sessions, where rostering experts will be available to answer any specific questions and help you plant the seeds for a smooth start.

As a reminder, if you have any product or pricing related questions, please contact Maribel Ariano, [mariano@cainc.com](mailto:mariano@cainc.com)

Let us continue to grow **on good ground**—together!  If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Coral Martincavage [cmartincavage@cainc.com](mailto:cmartincavage@cainc.com).

**SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR 2025/26:**

Thank you to all who previously submitted your school calendars. Please email the **final version** of your academic calendar for the 2025/26 school year to Dr. White ([lwhite@theadom.org](mailto:lwhite@theadom.org)) if you have not already done so. PDF version is preferred please.

**STEP UP:**

**FIRST QUARTER FUNDING DISTRIBUTION**

**August Quarter 1 Funding:** Renewal students who were fully enrolled in EMA by June 15, 2025, at 8 p.m. ET will be considered. **Note:** *No new students will be considered for the August Quarter 1 funding distribution.*

**September Quarter 1 Funding:** New students, as well as any additional renewal students, **must be fully enrolled in EMA by July 15, 2025**, at 8 p.m. ET to be considered for funding.