



Invitation for Public Comment

Comments accepted until November 15, 2009

In February 2009, Archbishop Edwin O'Brien appointed a Blue Ribbon Committee on Catholic Schools to develop a strategic plan for the long-term sustainability of Catholic education in the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

The Blue Ribbon Committee on Catholic Schools is interested in hearing from all those who care about the future of Catholic schools in the Archdiocese. **The Committee invites comments from the public – including students, parents, teachers, principals, pastors, and others.**

There are three ways to submit a comment to the Blue Ribbon Committee:

- 1) Use the online comment page found on the Blue Ribbon Committee –Public Comment web page at:
www.archbalt.org/blueribboncommittee/
- 2) E-mail your comment to: blueribboncommittee@archbalt.org
- 3) Mail your written comment to:
Public Comment
Blue Ribbon Committee on Catholic Schools
Archdiocese of Baltimore
320 Cathedral Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

The Committee is particularly interested in receiving answers to these questions:

- What recommendations do you have -- concerning the future of Catholic schools -- with respect to the issues of: Catholic identity; academic excellence; governance; and stewardship?
- What do we need to be most attentive to in our planning? What should we not overlook or disregard in our planning process?

Thank you very much for your interest in our Catholic schools.

***NOTE:** All comments will be treated as confidential and will not be shared with anyone other than the Blue Ribbon Committee and staff working for the Committee.*