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Two Atlanta Catholic Schools Receive 2007 Blue Ribbon Awards

Atlanta – U.S. Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings announced today that two Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Atlanta are named as Blue Ribbon Schools. Christ the King Catholic School in Atlanta and Queen of Angels Catholic School in Roswell have been selected as 2007 No Child Left Behind Blue Ribbon Schools. Fifty private schools from across the country were recognized either because they dramatically improved student performance on standardized tests in reading and math or their test scores placed them in the top ten percent of schools in the nation or state.

Diane Starkovich, Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Archdiocese of Atlanta, congratulated the faculties, staffs, administrators, parents and students of both schools. Ms. Starkovich stated, “Kathy Wood, principal of Queen of Angels School, and Peggy Warner, principal of Christ the King School, will attend the award ceremony in Washington DC to receive this prestigious award. Locally, we are aware of the strong academics found in our Catholic schools, and now the nation rejoices with us!”

Seven of the Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Atlanta have now achieved outstanding recognition: St. Joseph in Marietta, St. John Neumann in Lilburn, St. Jude the Apostle in Sandy Springs, St. John the Evangelist in Hapeville, St. Thomas More in Decatur, Queen of Angels in Roswell, and Christ the King in Atlanta, which has been recognized for the second time for the Blue Ribbon Award.

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