

Diocesan Education Council Committees(for 9/21/04)

1. Finance:

- Monitor all school budgets
- Make recommendations for stabilizing, improving school budgets
- Ensure that sound business practices are in place in schools
- Set parameters for teacher salaries, benefits
- Set guidelines for establishing tuition levels
- Set guidelines for financial assistance

2. School Buildings and Facilities

- Monitor maintenance and improvements of school buildings and grounds
- Set safety standards for all facilities
- Establish usage policies for school facilities
- Recommend capital improvements
- Monitor instructional facilities available, including technology

3. Curriculum and Programs

- Monitor assessment and test scores of students
- Recommend changes and upgrades to curriculum and instruction
- Establish graduation/completion guidelines
- Ensure quality of instructional materials, including textbooks
- Monitor and ensure Catholic teaching, including social justice and orthodox Catholic doctrine
- Ensure the availability of liturgies and sacraments to students
- Provide policies and guidelines for field trips and extra-curricular activities

4. Legislative Education

- Receive information from the Texas Catholic Conference regarding pending legislation or legislative initiatives affecting Catholic schools
- Disseminate to local school councils information regarding pending legislation
- Create and encourage communication on matters of legislation to parents
- Facilitate legislative activity between parents and state and local legislatures

5. School Development

- Monitor student enrollment figures and trends
- Facilitate schools' recruitment programs
- Facilitate diocesan-wide efforts at fundraising
- Facilitate diocesan-wide efforts at student recruitment
- Study and recommend school expansion and establishment of new schools
- Examine national and state enrollment trends

