AN EVENING OF EXCELLENCE

"In catechesis Christ, the Incarnate Word and Son of God, is taught - everything else is taught with reference to Him." CCC§427

The Catholic Schools of Memphis recognizes teachers who are excellent classroom teachers, live a faith-filled life, and form students in Gospel values. The Christ the Teacher Award brings attention to teachers who are personal witnesses in their daily lives to the Gospel and serve the school community in love and truth.

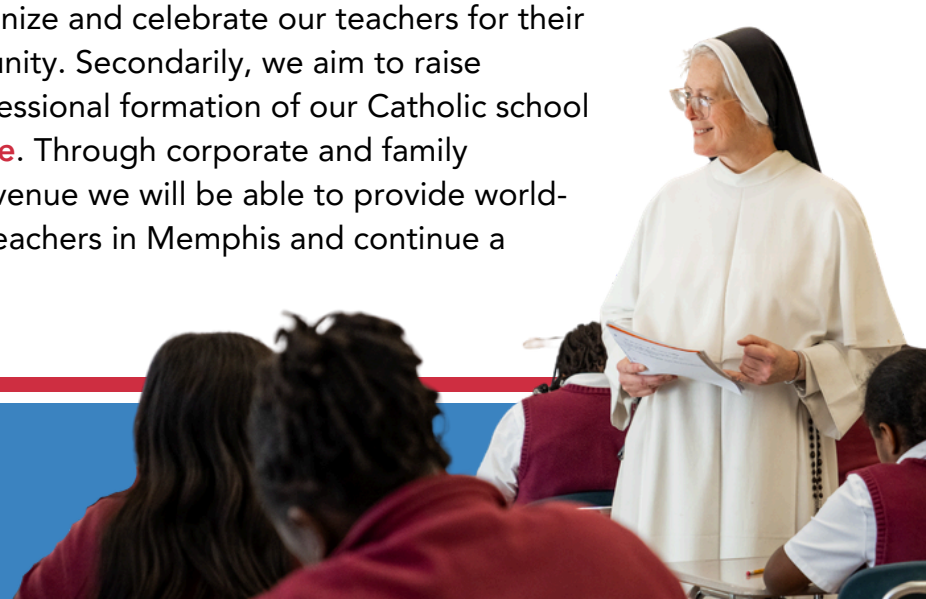
Award recipients have taught in our Catholic schools for a minimum of 5 years and have inspired students and families to embrace our Catholic faith. The recipient is a model teacher who inspires both academic excellence and Christ-centered formation among both their students and colleagues.

Academic Excellence is exemplified through outstanding teaching, instructional and curricular leadership in the school community, and passion for both student success and growth.

Christ-centered formation is exemplified through a teacher's ability to relate to their students and the sacrificial giving of their time and talent to the total formation of students. The teacher goes above and beyond their duty as a teacher to lead their students and colleagues into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

The **Evening of Excellence** on Saturday, November 14 we will recognize 8 teachers from across the Diocese of Memphis for their commitment to the mission of Catholic education. The program for the evening includes musical performances from our Catholic school choirs, orchestras, and bands. And we will honor 1 teacher as the diocesan "Christ the Teacher Award" winner for the 2025-2026 school year.

Our goals for the evening are to recognize and celebrate our teachers for their outstanding work in the school community. Secondarily, we aim to raise $50,000 to enhance the on-going professional formation of our Catholic school teachers through our **Emmaus Institute**. Through corporate and family sponsorships, donations, and event revenue we will be able to provide world-class formation opportunities for our teachers in Memphis and continue a tradition of excellence.



SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

TITLE SPONSOR $15,000

- Premier logo placement on all event materials, website, signage, and communications
- Speaking opportunity at event
- Reserved VIP table for 8
- Full-page recognition in event program
- Featured spotlight on social media and website
- Recognition in all press releases and media outreach
- Opportunity to provide branded item/gift for attendees
- Personalized impact report detailing teacher development outcomes funded through sponsorship
- Recognition as a year-long strategic partner in Catholic education

PARTNER IN MISSION $10,000

- Prominent logo placement on event materials, website, and signage
- VIP table for 8
- Half-page recognition in event program
- Recognition from podium during event
- Dedicated social media spotlight
- Recognition in post-event donor communications
- Invitation to exclusive sponsor reception with school leaders and educators
- Annual impact report highlighting sponsorship impact

AMBASSADOR FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS $5,000

- Logo placement on website, event program, and signage
- Reserved table for 8
- Quarter-page recognition in event program
- Recognition during event presentation
- Social media recognition
- Opportunity to include promotional item in attendee materials
- Sponsor name displayed during teacher recognition segment

FRIEND OF THE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS $1,000

- Name or logo in event program
- Recognition on event website
- Recognition slideshow during event
- Social media thank-you post
- Reserved seating for 2 guests

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SOCIETY $500

- Name listed in event program
- Recognition on event website
- Recognition during event slideshow