



Engaging Minds. Embracing the World.

Memorandum of Understanding

La Roche University and York Catholic High School

La Roche University is a Catholic institution of higher learning, founded and sponsored by the Congregation of the Sisters of Divine Providence, that fosters global citizenship and creates a community of scholars from around the world. Integrating liberal arts and professional education in creative ways, La Roche empowers all members of our community to become lifelong learners, achieve success in their chosen careers and promote justice and peace in a constantly changing global society.

York Catholic High School is guided by a Christian moral compass, to educate students in an atmosphere of faith, family, and mutual respect, preparing them to serve the global community.

Inspired by the Roman Catholic tradition and through our similar mission and vision, La Roche University and York Catholic High School establish a partnership through this Memorandum of Understanding. In it, we articulate and codify the ways our partnership can advance our mutual goal of enhancing access to high quality Catholic education at the high school and post-secondary levels. Our partnership includes, but is not limited to:

1. La Roche University will guarantee undergraduate admission (except as noted in item #3) to graduates of York Catholic High School who have a 3.0 cumulative GPA and either a 1080 SAT (EBRW + Math), 22 ACT composite score or test optional admission for most programs. Students who meet these criteria will automatically receive a \$15,000 York Catholic High School scholarship, a \$2,500 Catholic High School Scholarship and an additional \$4,000 for students choosing to reside on campus. The York Catholic High School scholarship is renewable for up to five (5) years of undergraduate study providing the student maintains satisfactory academic progress in accordance with La Roche University policy. The York Catholic High School Scholarship is not transferable to other institutions.
2. York Catholic High School graduates who exceed the minimum guaranteed admission criteria may be eligible for a merit scholarship and/or other special award aid (such as the Catholic High School award) which may be higher than the York Catholic High School Scholarship indicated in item 1. In such cases, the York Catholic High School graduates will receive the larger merit scholarship and special award instead of the York Catholic High School Scholarship referenced in item 1. The York Catholic High School scholarship cannot be combined with other La Roche University merit aid awards.
3. Certain La Roche University programs and academic partnerships have specialized admissions requirements, pre-requisites and/or a limited number of spaces. York Catholic High School graduates must meet the minimum requirements (available on our website - laroche.edu) in order to be considered for any degree program or academic partnership with special admissions requirements and admission to these programs is not guaranteed. Examples of these programs include but are not limited to: National Security Studies, Lake Erie College of Medicine 3+ and 4+ pathway options, Radiologic Technology, pre-chiropractic and pre-optometry pathways. York Catholic High School graduates accepted for a program with specialized admissions requirements will receive either a guaranteed academic merit award or the York Catholic High School scholarship depending on which option provides the highest amount of merit aid to the student. *NOTE: Students enrolled in Radiologic Technology do not receive any La Roche University funded financial aid during semesters in which academic coursework is provided by Heritage Valley Kennedy School of Radiography (approximately 26 credit hours).*

4. York Catholic High School graduates who do not meet the minimum criteria for guaranteed admission may still apply and be accepted to La Roche University. These students will receive a merit scholarship based on their high school GPA and standardized test scores in accordance with La Roche University award criteria in place at the time of application.
5. La Roche University uses the weighted high school GPA for admission and scholarship decisions. A "super score" will be calculated for students who submit multiple test scores to La Roche. When available, a "super score" will be used for admission and scholarship decisions. La Roche is also a test optional school for most academic programs.
6. All scholarship awards are based on cumulative GPA and standardized test scores at the time of acceptance. A student's scholarship award will be increased if their cumulative GPA or standardized test scores at graduation (as stated on their final, official high school transcript) elevates them to a higher merit aid category.
7. A La Roche University application (paper or on-line) or the Common Application and supporting documentation consisting of a high school transcript (with at least six (6) semesters completed) must be submitted prior to admission. Some majors also require SAT/ACT scores submitted as well. There is no application fee for York Catholic High School applicants.
8. York Catholic High School will permit a La Roche University admissions representative to visit with their students as many as three (3) times annually for the purpose of sharing information about La Roche University and the admissions process. York Catholic High School may also request "specialized" programs be presented to student and/or parent groups (such as navigating financial aid, managing the college search process, career exploration, etc.). Visits will be arranged through the York Catholic High School Guidance office.
9. York Catholic High School will display La Roche University information, including posters, pennants, brochures, etc. in the Guidance Office or elsewhere at the high school where college information is displayed. In addition, information about the agreement and La Roche University will be displayed on the York Catholic website.

This agreement may be reviewed and revised at any time at the request of York Catholic High School or La Roche University.

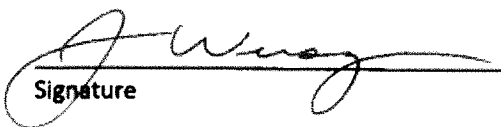
For La Roche University:

James (Chip) Weisgerber, Ph.D.

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Vice President for Enrollment Management

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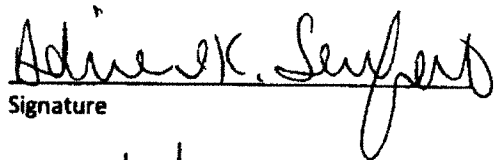
For York Catholic High School:

Adrienne K. Seufert

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