



Memorandum of Understanding
Messiah University
& York Catholic High School

Messiah University is a nationally ranked, private Christian university with a student body of 3,370 undergraduate and graduate students. The University was founded in 1909 by the Brethren in Christ Church. Today, the University's faith base is broadly evangelical and includes students and employees from a variety of denominations and Christian faith traditions. The mission of Messiah University is to educate men and women toward maturity of intellect, character and Christian faith in preparation for lives of service, leadership and reconciliation in church and society.

Through this memorandum, we articulate and codify the ways this partnership can advance our mutual goal of enhancing access to high quality Christian faith based education at the high school and post-secondary levels.

The components of our partnership include, but are not limited to:

Messiah University will guarantee admission and a four-year renewable scholarship of \$10,000/year minimum (\$40,000 total value) to graduates of York Catholic High School who apply to Messiah University based on the following criteria:

Admission to the University:

- Test score submitters must have a minimum 3.0 GPA (with no grades of D+ or lower) **AND** a minimum SAT score of 1000 (at least 500 ERW), an ACT score of 19 (at least 37 combined English+ Reading), or a CLT score of 65 (at least 47 Verbal Reasoning + Grammar/Writing).
- Test optional candidates must demonstrate a cumulative GPA of 3.2, and must have completed at least two full years of high school at YCHS. Any student who meets these criteria will receive, at minimum, a \$10,000/year four-year scholarship.

Admission to Engineering:

- Test score submitters must have a minimum SAT score of 1180 (at least 580 Math) **OR** ACT composite score of 24 (24 Math) **OR** CLT score of 77 (23 Quantitative Reasoning).
- Test optional candidates wishing to pursue admission to the engineering program will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Admission to Nursing:

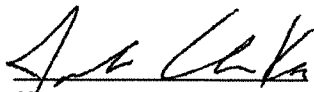
- Test score submitters must have a minimum SAT ERW score of 560 (or a 27 on the Reading sub-score) and a Math score of 530 **OR** an ACT score of 21 (at least 44 Reading + English and 21 Math) **OR** a CLT combined Verbal Reasoning and Grammar/Writing of 52 and Quantitative Reasoning of 20, combined with a minimum grade of B- in Chemistry and one other science course, both with a lab component.
- Test optional candidates wishing to pursue admission to the nursing program will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Admission to Messiah University Early Assurance Doctoral in Physical Therapy, Master of Occupational Therapy Accelerated Program and other pre-professional partnerships:

Because of the competitive nature of these limited admissions, students are reviewed on a case-by-case basis, and admission will be determined at the time of application.

This agreement may be reviewed and revised at any time at the behest of the Principal of York Catholic High School or the Vice President for Enrollment Management or the Undergraduate Director of Admissions at Messiah University.

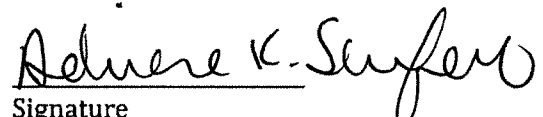
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