

JOHN CARROLL UNIVERSITY AND YORK CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("MOU") is effective on this 16st day of October, 2025 (the "Effective Date") by and between York Catholic High School ("York Catholic"), with an address at 601 East Springettsbury Avenue, York, Pennsylvania 17403 and John Carroll University ("JCU"), with an address at 1 John Carroll Boulevard, University Heights, Ohio 44118. York Catholic High School is private a Catholic co-educational high school offering the opportunity to earn dual high school and college credit, through partnerships with institutions of higher education. John Carroll University is a private, coeducational, Jesuit Catholic university, founded in 1886, dedicated to developing women and men with the knowledge and character to lead and to serve. York Catholic and JCU (either or both of which may hereinafter be referred to respectively as "Party" or "Parties") desire to enter into this MOU to articulate and codify the ways a partnership can advance the shared mutual goal of enhancing access to high quality Catholic education at the high school and post-secondary levels.

ACCORDINGLY, in consideration of the promises and mutual covenants contained in this MOU, and of other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

I. Admissions Criteria and Awards

- 1. JCU will guarantee admission for bachelor's-level programs to graduates of York Catholic who have at least a 3.50 GPA and meet the conditions specified in this MOU. Students who meet the GPA requirement and the conditions specified in this MOU will be eligible to receive an award of, at minimum, an annual \$21,000 scholarship with a total value of \$84,000.
- 2. All awards and benefits issued under this MOU can only be received for a total of a maximum of four years, and such awards are not transferable to other institutions.
- 3. Awards will be subject and issued pursuant to all policies, processes, and procedures established by JCU, including those established by JCU's Department of Student Enrollment and Financial Services. All scholarships that have been awarded by JCU may be subject to ongoing annual review and approval by JCU to confirm that the award recipient has maintained the appropriate GPA and otherwise remains in good academic and disciplinary standing with JCU.
- 4. An application and supporting documentation (including but not limited to, a transcript from York Catholic High School) must be submitted to JCU prior to admission. JCU will not charge an application fee for York Catholic High School applicants. JCU reserves the right to request any supporting documentation and other information that it deems necessary for granting admission or awarding scholarships. York Catholic High School will take all reasonable steps to provide or assist JCU in the procurement of all supporting documentation and additional information that it requires.

II. Exclusions to Guaranteed Admissions and Awards

- 1. JCU takes a holistic approach to reviewing its applicants, valuing many factors in the admissions decision, including coursework, curriculum, standardized test scores, letters of recommendation, leadership, community service and extracurricular activities. York Catholic understands that these criteria will be taken into consideration by JCU during the admissions process and that that JCU may, in its sole discretion, deny admissions for the reasons listed in Sections I and II of this MOU.
- 2. JCU reserves the right to deny admission or the benefits of this MOU to students who do not meet the admissions criteria as set forth this MOU. JCU may further limit or deny admission or the benefits

of this MOU to students that have been disciplined, suspended, dismissed or expelled for academic or nonacademic reasons from any educational institutions.

- 3. JCU reserves the right to deny admission or the benefits of this MOU to students who have been charged or convicted of a felony or other serious crime. JCU further reserves the right to deny admission and awarding benefits if doing so violates any laws, regulations, or statutes, or any government action or order that prohibits or otherwise prevents awarding admission or the benefits contemplated by this MOU.
- **4.** JCU reserves the right to deny admission or the benefits of this MOU to students who, in JCU's sole discretion, compromise or are detrimental to JCU's public image, mission, and/or identity.

III. Additional Terms and Conditions

- 1. This MOU, will continue for one (1) year, after which it will automatically renew for successive one (1) year terms unless either party terminates upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the other party; provided, however, the parties will use their best efforts to ensure that any students then participating in the program are able to complete the program. In such event, all applicable provisions of this MOU shall remain in force during the extension period from the effective date of termination, until the end of the program in which the affected students are enrolled.
- 2. York Catholic shall defend, indemnify and hold JCU, its officers, officials, employees, students, and agents harmless from any and all claims, injuries, damages, losses or suits including attorney fees, arising out of or resulting from the acts, errors or omissions of York Catholic in the performance of this MOU. JCU shall not be liable for any incidental, special, indirect or consequential damages of any nature howsoever caused, including loss of profits or business interruptions, connected with or arising out of this MOU.
- 3. York Catholic will display JCU's information, including posters, pennant and brochures, at relevant locations at the high school. In addition, a copy of this MOU, along with JCU's wordmark and profile will be displayed on the York Catholic High School web site. Each party reserves the right to review and request removal or modification of the usage of their name, logo, likeness, trademarks, image or other intellectual property for any or no reason.
- **4.** This MOU shall be governed by the laws of Ohio and any disputes shall be brought exclusively in Cuyahoga County, Ohio. The Parties agree to comply fully with all applicable federal, state, and local statutes, ordinances, rules, and regulations applicable to the programs contemplated under this MOU, including but not limited to FERPA. The Parties further agree they shall not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, nationality, ethnicity, religion, gender, age or non-disqualifying disability in any undertaking pursuant to this MOU.
- 5. Each party is a separate and independent institution, and this MOU shall not be deemed to create a relationship of agency or employment between or among them. Each party understands and agrees that the agents or employees of each respective party are not employees or agents of the other party.
- 6. This MOU shall constitute the entire agreement and understanding between JCU and York Catholic as to the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior discussions, agreements and undertakings of every kind and nature between them, whether written or oral, with respect to such subject matter. This Agreement may subsequently be modified only by a written document executed by both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this MOU to be executed and do each hereby warrant and represent that their respective signatory whose signature appears below has been and is duly authorized to execute this MOU.

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