



**Memorandum of Understanding
between
Gwynedd Mercy University and York Catholic High School**

Purpose: This MOU is established to foster a partnership between York Catholic High School and Gwynedd Mercy University to support students in their pursuit of a college education. Specifically, the partnership is developed to offer the following:

1. Guidance and support to students in navigating the college admissions and financial aid process
2. Guaranteed Admission to select programs offered on Gwynedd Mercy University's Gwynedd Valley campus for York Catholic High School students who meet the following conditions*:
 - a. Complete York Catholic High School with an earned high school diploma, and a cumulative unweighted GPA that meets the admissions requirements for their program of interest or the university minimum of a 2.5
 - b. Successful completion of (or current enrollment in) at least 16 units in prescribed and elective subjects:
 - i. English - 4 units
 - ii. Mathematics - 3 units
 - iii. Science - 3 units
 - iv. History- 1 unit
 - v. College preparatory electives - 3 units
 - c. Submit a completed Gwynedd Mercy University Undergraduate Admissions Application for Admission by February 1 of the year in which they plan to enroll as a full-time student
3. Concurrent Enrollment course options that allow qualified York Catholic High School students the ability to earn GMercyU college credits during their junior and senior years of high school. These credits will be accepted for Transfer Credit upon the student's acceptance and enrollment at GMercyU after high school graduation. The credits also may be accepted by any other accredited college or university.
 - a. Course options will be mutually-agreed upon in a separate Concurrent Enrollment Agreement.

4. A guaranteed Merit Scholarship of at least \$15,000. The merit scholarship is renewable for an additional three years provided students remain in satisfactory academic standing and maintain the appropriate cumulative GPA for their program of enrollment.**
5. An additional \$3,000 Catholic High School Grant is available for York Catholic High School graduates who enroll as full-time students at Gwynedd Mercy University after graduation. The scholarship will be renewable for an additional three years, for a total award of \$9,000, and will be added to any Merit Scholarship awarded to students based on their academic performance in high school.**

**These scholarship amounts apply to students enrolling at the Gwynedd Valley campus as full-time undergraduate students in the fall semester following their graduation from York Catholic High School. Merit Scholarship awards may be higher based on the student's academic record. Students also may be eligible for additional need-based financial aid based on the results of their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Students selected for the prestigious Presidential Scholarship, which covers full tuition costs, will not be eligible for any additional Gwynedd Mercy University scholarship or grant funding. Scholarship and grant funding cannot exceed standard tuition costs.

Roles and Responsibilities:

Gwynedd Mercy University

1. Visit York Catholic High School at least twice a year either in person or virtually to provide prospective students and their families with information on the University and its programs
2. Hold at least one Onsite Instant Decision Day at York Catholic High School where an Admissions Counselor will meet with qualified students and provide an Admissions decision on the spot, if desired
3. Work with York Catholic High School administration to provide college workshops to students and parents on topics, such as The College Admissions Process, Paying for College, and other topics as mutually agreed upon by both institutions. GMercyU will work with York Catholic High School to develop college-focused programming that meets the specific needs of the school.
4. Provide York Catholic High School with University materials that can be shared with students and parents
5. Provide promotional materials that can be displayed on a bulletin board within the high school
6. Provide a customized campus visit program for prospective York Catholic High School students on a mutually agreed-upon date and time

York Catholic High School

1. Actively promote the Guaranteed Admissions and Partner High School Grant programs to York Catholic High School students
2. Facilitate visit opportunities for Gwynedd Mercy University representatives to meet with students each year, including at least one Onsite Decision Day
3. Work with Gwynedd Mercy University to schedule and ensure students have required application materials to present during an Onsite Decision Day appointment
4. Display Gwynedd Mercy University information, including posters, pennants, and brochures in the high school
5. Actively promote special Gwynedd Mercy University campus visit days and programming to York Catholic High School students and families
6. Promote the partnership with Gwynedd Mercy University on its website
7. Schedule at least one on-campus visit for York Catholic High School students to GMercyU's campus each year in collaboration with the GMercyU office of admission

Assessment of MOU:

1. Gwynedd Mercy University and York Catholic High School representatives will meet annually to assess the partnership and review terms and conditions.

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