



CORE BELIEFS

I. Explicitly Faith-Based

Member schools are explicitly faith-based in its mission, education, and programming.

II. Serve to the Economically Poor and Marginalized

Member schools offer a financially accessible, non-tuition-driven education to students from low-income families in underserved communities, and reflect the faith, cultural, and racial demographics of the local community.

III. Educate the Whole Child

Member schools address the academic, physical, social, emotional, moral, and spiritual needs of a student, and nurture the growth of the student in all areas.

IV. Partner with the Family

Member schools involve the family and the student's other support systems in the education of the child; and provides opportunity for the growth of the family and support system as well.

V. Extend the School Day and Year

Member schools extend the hours and days that a student is in session and thereby offer additional structured opportunities for learning, enrichment, and growth.

VI. Support Students Beyond Graduation

Member schools offer a Graduate Support Program that eases a graduate's transition into the next level of education; supports, advocates for, and/or maintains a connection with all graduates; and tracks the continued growth and achievements of all graduates. Member schools set the expectation that all students will graduate from high school and complete some form of post-secondary education.

VII. Employ an Effective Administrative Structure

Member schools thrive when governed by an effective administrative structure that includes a strong board comprised of leaders committed to the financial and academic oversight of the school; and a strong administrative team that employs operational and educational strategies which support excellence in mission.

VIII. Value On-going Assessment and Inquiry

Member schools engage in a process of ongoing assessment and inquiry to assist the staff in providing a quality education that prepares students for success in the next level of education and beyond.

IX. Actively Participate in the NativityMiguel Coalition

Member schools are stronger as active participants in the NativityMiguel Coalition than as a single school.