

Memorandum of Understanding

Marywood University and The Diocese of Scranton

Marywood University, sponsored by the Congregation of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, roots itself in the Catholic intellectual tradition, the principle of justice, and the belief that education empowers people. The University integrates an enduring liberal arts tradition and professional disciplines to create a comprehensive learning experience. Our undergraduate and graduate programs promote academic excellence, advance innovative scholarship and foster leadership in service to others. Within a welcoming and supportive community, Marywood challenges individuals of all backgrounds to achieve their full potential and make choices based on spiritual and ethical values. Marywood University prepares students to seek sustainable solutions for the common good and educates global citizens to live responsibly in an interdependent world.

Through this memorandum, we articulate and codify the ways this partnership can advance our mutual goal of enhancing access to high quality Catholic education at the high school and post-secondary levels. The components of our partnership include, but are not limited to:

1. Marywood University will guarantee admission and a four year renewable scholarship to graduates of Scranton Diocesan high schools (Holy Cross, Holy Redeemer, Notre Dame and Saint John Neumann) who enroll as freshmen at Marywood University. The student must have a 3.00 GPA (83%) and either 1080 SAT (EBRW & Math) or a 21 ACT composite. Students who meet the above GPA requirement will have the option of applying to Marywood University as test optional applicants. Students who wish to major in Communication Sciences and Disorders (Pre-Professional) must have achieved a 3.25 GPA and 1120 SAT (EBRW & Math) to be guaranteed admission; students who apply as a test optional applicant to this program should contact Marywood Admissions for more information.
2. Students who meet the GPA requirement of 3.00 will receive, at minimum, a \$16,000 four year award with a total value of \$64,000; with merit scholarships ranging up to \$23,000 per year, for a total value of \$92,000 per year, depending on the academic profile of the applicant. The student must maintain an appropriate, pre-determined GPA based on the value of the scholarship in order to renew annually. Since the award is in support of undergraduate education, it can be received for a maximum of eight semesters, or until the student has achieved the baccalaureate degree. The student must be enrolled on a full-time basis. The Diocese of Scranton Scholarship is not transferrable to other institutions.

3. The Diocese of Scranton will permit a Marywood University admissions representative to visit with their students as many as three times annually for the purposes of sharing information about the Marywood University academic programs and application, admission, financial aid, and related processes. Visits will be arranged by the Marywood University Office of Admissions through the Guidance Office at each high school.
4. The Diocesan high school will display Marywood University information, including posters, pennants and brochures, in the Guidance office or elsewhere at the school where college information is presented. In addition, the agreement with a Marywood University logo and profile will be displayed on the school website.

This agreement is effective for students enrolling at Marywood University beginning in academic year 2022-2023. It may be reviewed and revised at any time at the behest of the Diocesan Secretary of Education or the President or Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Services at Marywood University.

For Marywood University:

Ann Boland-Chase

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Printed Name

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For The Diocese of Scranton:

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