A Note from DPA Administration:
Divine Providence Academy has been an exemplar model of a Catholic microschool with multiage classrooms since its inception in 2011. The National Catholic Educational Association recognized its excellence in 2021 in the text *Greatness in Smallness: A Vision for Catholic Microschools*. Authors Kevin Baxter, Ed.D. and Jill Annable visited and consulted with DPA throughout its writing, and the publication of the text has enlightened Catholic schools throughout the United States for the visionary approach DPA has for the education of children in the faith and academics.

"Divine Providence Academy became our exemplar flagship school as we wrote *Greatness in Smallness: A Vision for Catholic Microschools*. It is from DPA that we found excellence in Catholic microschools. The text is now in the hands of all Catholic superintendents in the United States, and its pages have inspired hope and built collective wisdom regarding intentionally small schools like DPA that are shaping future generations of Catholic school students." - Jill Annable, co-author

Grant Updates:
The following grants were applied for and received as of the '21/’22 school year.

- Childcare Stabilization Grant- $149,767.00 for childcare, preschool, hiring bonus and teacher bonus at both campuses.
- George & Mary Kremer Grant-$10,500
- Howard Dykhouse Fund of the Coopersville Area Community Foundation-$2,288 awarded to expand the preschool program, providing equipment, furniture and books for an additional classroom.
- Muskegon Community Foundation-Student Engagement & Attendance Award-$130

Divine Providence Academy is open to all families who are looking for a faith-based education for their children. For more information about our Little Wings infant and toddler daycare and preschool through 8th grade programs, please visit: divineprovidenceacademy.org
Ways that you can help:

Helping Hands Scholarship:
A 2nd collection is taken each month at masses from all 3 parishes: St. Francis Xavier, St. Catherine and St. Joseph. These gifts go directly to students attending both campuses of Divine Providence Academy. The Helping Hands Scholarship is available for families that qualify for the Bishop’s Scholarship based on financial need.

Contribute to our endowment funds:
St. Joseph Wright Permanently Endowed Fund & St. Catherine Church Endowment Fund For St. Catherine School. These endowments are a critical part of our DPA budget. Tax free contributions made by families choosing to donate to these endowment funds will help the principal grow and contribute to the budget for years to come. For more information about these endowments and how to contribute, we encourage you go to:

Catholic Foundation of West Michigan-Ways to Give and:
St. Catherine Church Endowment-Muskegon Foundation

Sponsor A Dove:
Consider becoming an Angel in disguise and help make Catholic education possible for families seeking tuition assistance. Every gift to our ‘SPONSOR A DOVE’ Fund helps students continue on their Catholic journey.

For one week: $110.00
For one month: $440.00
For one year: $3970.00

A link to donate can be found on the DPA website: divineprovidenceacademy.org
or Cluster Parish website: ourcluster.org

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