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## *The Five Essential Marks of Catholic Schools*

There are five (5) marks proposed by the Holy See that justify the Church's heavy investment in Catholic schooling. These are measurable benchmarks forming the backbone and inspiring the mission of every Catholic School.

### **MARK 5: SUSTAINED BY THE WITNESS OF TEACHING**

Catholic school teachers: Theirs is a calling and not simply the exercise of a profession.

**Hypocrisy particularly turns off today's students. While their demands are high, perhaps even unreasonably so, there is no avoiding the fact that if teachers fail to model fidelity to the truth and virtuous behavior, then even the best of curricula cannot successfully embody a Catholic School's distinctive ethos.**

*Source: The Holy See's Teaching on Catholic Schools, Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB Secretary, Congregation for Catholic Education, 2006*



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