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Catholic Schools: Increasing Commitment to the Hispanic/Latino Population

'We must also serve the increasing Hispanic/Latino population, which makes up 39% of our current Catholic community. … Catholic schools and parishes must reflect this reality and reach out and welcome Hispanics and Latinos into the Catholic faith communities in the United States.'
Source: Renewing Our Commitment to Catholic Elementary & Secondary Schools in the Third Millennium, USCCB, July 2005

On September 30, 2006 **Sister Jean Panisko, S.C.L.,** Principal at Annunciation Catholic School, was presented with the **Excellence in Education Award** by the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce for her commitment to education within the Latino community, demonstrating results in the advancement of education, as well as involvement and outreach in the community.

Archdiocesan Catholic Schools Statistics

- 17% of the students enrolled are Hispanic
- 30% of elementary schools have a Hispanic student population of 20% or greater
- 66% of Kindergarten-12th grade students receiving Catholic School Vouchers are Hispanic

The Office of Catholic Schools at the Archdiocese of Denver continues to work closely with various internal departments and external agencies to build and strengthen the Catholic schools commitment to the Hispanic/Latino community including:

- Hispanic Ministry, Archdiocese of Denver
- Hispanic Council for Reform and Educational Options (CREO), National and Local Chapters
- Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Denver

The Archdiocese of Denver's Catholic Schools are an investment in the future of our children and our Catholic faith.