

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL: TAKE ANOTHER LOOK

“A constant theme in research in Catholic school is the affirmation by Catholic school students of the importance and priority of values relating to the family:”

- marriage
- children
- qualities of future spouses
- importance of maintaining family ties
- relationship with parents

“Students in Catholic schools generally placed such family values ... higher than materialist goals that equated success in life with having a good job and making a lot of money.”

A number of consistent findings have characterized the research on family values and Catholic schools:

1. Students from Catholic schools generally espoused family values to a greater extent than did students from other schools.
2. Catholics who attended Catholic schools placed a higher priority on family related values than did Catholics who attended public schools.

Source: *Catholic Schools Make a Difference: Twenty-five Years of Research*, p. 76

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