September 7, 2012

Dear Families of Holy Family School,

It is with great pleasure that I formally announce Holy Family School has been awarded the distinct honor of being named a 2012 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence. The Blue Ribbon award is considered the highest honor an American school can achieve.

Today, September 7, 2012, U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan announced that Holy Family Catholic School is recognized as a 2012 National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence. The Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors public and private elementary, middle and high schools that are academically superior. Each year only 50 private schools across the country are given the Blue Ribbon distinction. Holy Family School received this honor based on student academic achievement, which ranks in the top 10 percent of schools in the nation in reading and mathematics as measured by an assessment referenced against national norms.

The Blue Ribbon Committee members (consisting of myself, Mrs. Mary Lou Yannucci, Mrs. Chris Krinsky and Mrs. Annie Deemer) will travel to Washington, D.C. on November 12-13 to receive our schools’ Blue Ribbon plaque and flag in a formal ceremony with U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan.

I am very appreciative of our Blue Ribbon Committee for their countless hours of research, writing and editing on our application. I would like to recognize Fr. Rosing and the parish staff, as well as all the Holy Family Church parishioners whose financial and prayer support allow our school to thrive and flourish. Finally, a special thanks to all our teachers and parents who helped prepare the students and for believing in Catholic Education at Holy Family School.

We will celebrate our success with many activities throughout the school year. We want the students to know how proud we are of their efforts.

In God’s Love,

Mrs. Sharon Fournier
Principal