February 6, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

As the Catholic Church, we believe parents are the primary educators of their children, and therefore, parental choice in education is a fundamental right. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "As those first responsible for the education of their children, parents have the right to choose a school for them which corresponds to their own convictions. This right is fundamental."

On Friday, January 31, 2020, our state legislators passed a bill delaying the application process for the **Traditional EdChoice Scholarship Program** by 60 days (or until April 1) to allow time to discuss the future of the EdChoice Scholarship Program.

We need all families to act as quickly as possible! Please contact your state legislators. Please let him or her know that:

- School choice is your fundamental right as a parent.
- The uncertainty of new legislation is creating hardships for families who planned and relied on the Ed Choice Scholarship Program.

Included with this letter you will find a template that can be used when writing to your legislator and a listing of contact information for all Ohio legislators.

The EdChoice Expansion application period did open on February 1, 2020. If you are applying for the EdChoice Expansion Scholarship Program, please submit your application as soon as possible.

Sincerely,