

DID YOU KNOW ???

- Chartered non-public schools receive their charter from the State Board of Education and must follow the Operating Standards for Ohio's schools, as prescribed by the Board.
- Catholic schools also are accredited by the Ohio Catholic Schools Accrediting Association.
- There are 1,000 chartered non-public schools in Ohio educating more than 262,000 pupils.
- That 13% of all school-aged students are educated in chartered non-public schools.
- Catholic school students represent approximately 70% of all pupils attending chartered non-public schools.
- Ohio's total education budget for the current biennium is approximately 14.4 billion dollars. A total of only 2.9% of these funds or approximately \$420 million is committed to the education of students attending chartered non-public schools.
- That each of the last five executive budgets proposed the same percentage of increase for students attending chartered non-public schools as public school students in the overall education budget.
- By educating more than 262,000 pupils each year, chartered non-public schools save the taxpayers of Ohio more than \$2.0 billion dollars (262,000 x \$7,602, the average per pupil cost in the public schools during the 2000-01 school year.)
- During the current school year, \$537 per pupil was allocated by the state legislature to provide auxiliary services to students attending chartered non-public schools.
- The Ohio General Assembly approved, and Governor Taft signed into law, a bill that expands the auxiliary service program to include the purchase and loan of computer hardware and related equipment.
- That state monies are expended for the benefit of students attending chartered non-public schools in the following programs: Pupil Transportation, Auxiliary Services, Mobile Unit Replacement and Repair, Administrative Cost Reimbursement, Connectivity to the Internet, Entry Year Programs for teachers and principals and post Secondary Enrollment Options.

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