



Austin Catholic Academy At A Glance

- **Background:** The project was initiated several years ago by a group of concerned and committed parents interested in creating greater access to Catholic secondary education in the greater Macomb County area. Researched, supported and guided by the Archdiocese of Detroit, Austin Catholic Academy was established as a separate nonprofit in November 2007.
- **Co-ed, college-preparatory high school**
- **Location:** North side of 23 Mile Road (just west of North Avenue) in Macomb Township, Michigan
- **Groundbreaking:** February 14, 2008
- **Campaign theme:** “Journey of a Lifetime”
- **Sponsor:** The Augustinian Fathers and Brothers

The Midwest Province will govern the school under the leadership of Father David Brecht, O.S.A., a 1956 graduate of the former Austin High School in Detroit.

The traditional Augustinian education fosters self-discipline and setting and achieving goals. Its efforts are directed toward preparing young people for college and life-long learning that will aid them in living in harmony with all people and ultimately to enjoy union with God.

- **Projected date for opening:** Fall 2009
- **Projected enrollment:** Approximately 800 students in a phased approach. A new class will be added each year starting in September 2009 with a freshman class.
- **Tuition:** Rates will be comparable to other area Catholic high schools.
- **Funding:** Funding to build and initially operate Austin Catholic Academy is being underwritten by \$32 million in long-term, tax-exempt bonds. A capital campaign –“Journey of a Lifetime”– initiated in 2005 has raised over \$9 million to date and will continue.
- **Building:** Designed by French Associates; George W. Auch Company is the general contractor.

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