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**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN
CRANBERRY TOWNSHIP TO BE NAMED
'CARDINAL WUERL NORTH CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL'**

Pittsburgh – Bishop David A. Zubik has announced that the planned new Catholic high school in Cranberry Township will be named “Cardinal Wuerl North Catholic High School.”

“In recognition of the tremendous contributions made by Cardinal Donald W. Wuerl of Washington, D.C. during his 18 years as bishop of Pittsburgh and his nationally-recognized leadership in Catholic education, it is most fitting that we will dedicate this exciting project in his name,” Bishop Zubik said.

The proposed school will provide young men and women “a 21st-century education rooted in the Marianist values and tradition of North Catholic High School,” stated Father Kris D. Stubna, diocesan Secretary for Catholic Education.

Plans for the Catholic high school project an enrollment of up to 1,000 students with a program that will incorporate the best of the educational program currently in place at North Catholic High School in the Troy Hill section of Pittsburgh.

The site of the high school comprises nearly 71 acres and is located on State Rte. 228 across from the new St. Kilian Catholic elementary school.

“Our goal is to create the pre-eminent private co-educational high school situated in the fastest growing population center in Southwestern Pennsylvania,” Father Stubna explained.

“With an academic program and physical plant to serve the needs of our families and Pittsburgh as a whole for years to come, Cardinal Wuerl North Catholic High School will be a model of Catholic education for the entire country – academic excellence, value-centered, faith-filled and family-based,” Father Stubna said.

“With its foundational hallmarks of academic excellence and faith formation, the school will maintain the strengths and tradition of the current North Catholic High School program and provide a superb and competitive program in every facet of the curricular and co-curricular program,” Father Stubna said.

Cardinal Wuerl North Catholic High School will be the largest building project undertaken by the Diocese of Pittsburgh in recent history with an estimated cost of \$54-60 million. A diocesan-wide capital campaign is currently underway to raise the funds necessary for the new school.

Cardinal Wuerl North Catholic High School is projected to open at the earliest for the 2013-2014 school year.

Frank Orga, president of North Catholic High School, stated that this will make certain that “the Marianist charism that sustained North Catholic High school will continue at Cardinal Wuerl North Catholic High School.

“Marianist education is grounded in faith, family, spirit and service,” Mr. Orga said. Noting that the Marianist community will continue to be a part of the spirit of Cardinal Wuerl North Catholic High School, Mr. Orga said that “we will be building a place where our values will live and the rich heritage of North Catholic High School will continue to serve our community.”

“This is an exciting moment in the history of Catholic education in our diocese. Building on the rich heritage of North Catholic High School, Cardinal Wuerl North Catholic High School is a sign of real growth and commitment by our entire Catholic community to the value of Catholic education in the 21st Century,” Bishop Zubik stated.