REPORT OF THE REVISIT COMMITTEE

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Diocese of Stockton

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The Revisit Committee

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We, the members of the Revisit Committee, wish to thank you for all you have done to continue your commitment to school improvement. We have enjoyed our time with you and hope that the report will assist you in continuing your progress toward your school’s stated goals. May God bless you and the entire school community as you strive to provide quality Catholic education for your students.

Signed:

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WCEA Revisit Committee Chairperson

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Introduction

List the directives of the Visiting Committee as stated in Option A and/or Option B (Report of Findings - Appendix A)

Option A - NA

Option B - The Visiting Committee recommends that Goal #2 of the Action Plan, *Increase the catechetical knowledge of the religious educators*, be replaced. There is a lack of evidence that this goal is a critical need of the school. Catholic Identity and religious program are an apparent strength of the school. The goal is not written in language that shows how it will impact student learning.

In replacement of Goal #2 of the Action Plan, the Visiting Committee recommends the following goal: *Develop a long range strategic plan that impacts student learning and addresses the following areas: professional staff development, technology implementation, student data analysis, and curriculum planning that will provide the continuity and vertical alignment of learning objectives.*

How effectively did the school revise its Action Plan to meet the directives of the Visiting Committee:

St. Anthony School did revise the Action plan to include the revised Critical Goal #2, but did not include baseline and ongoing assessments or specific timelines for completion of each strategy.

List the Revised 5 Critical Goals.

1. Increase technology integration throughout the curriculum
2. Develop a long range strategic plan that impacts student learning and addresses the following areas: professional staff development, technology implementation, student data analysis, and curriculum planning that will provide the continuity and vertical alignment of learning objectives.
3. Increase parent faith formation
4. Transition the school’s purpose from California State Standards to Common Core
5. Update and improve curriculum to meet Common Core Standards
Describe the progress made on each goal in the revised Action Plan over the past three years.

- **Increase technology integration throughout the curriculum** -

  Through interviews and observations, it is evident to the Visiting Committee that St. Anthony School has effectively addressed Critical Goal #1, specifically since the start of the 2016-17 school year. The Technology Committee has met on a regular basis to discuss the current technology needs of the school. There has been an increase professional development opportunities. It is evident that there has been an increase in technology usage throughout grade levels, especially with the availability of the mobile cart and computer lab.

- **Develop a long range strategic plan that impacts student learning and addresses the following areas: professional staff development, technology implementation, student data analysis, and curriculum planning that will provide the continuity and vertical alignment of learning objectives** -

  The process for developing a long-range strategic plan has begun. A draft of the plan has been submitted to the SAC for review. Meetings with shareholders, including the pastor, Superintendent, teachers, and parents have taken place.

- **Increase parent faith formation** -

  The Pastor, Director of Religion and the principal are working together to make parent participation mandatory for student’s Sacramental preparation. Since the arrival of the new pastor, parents are now required to participate in formation meetings and retreats with their child who will be receiving First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation preparation. This collaboration between the parish and school is evident and has had a positive impact on the school.

- **Transition the school’s purpose from California State Standards to Common Core** -

  The acronym used for the SLEs is ROCK (Religion, Organization, Communication and Knowledge). Students are recognized through monthly ROCK awards and posters are placed throughout the campus. The school also incorporates the SLEs, whenever possible, in addressing disciplinary actions. The school’s Mission Statement was revised to encompass the students’ relationship with Christ and has been placed throughout the school. At this time St. Anthony School does not have a rubric to measure the achievement of the SLEs. The Revisit Committee suggests that a new strategy be added to this goal to include the creation of an SLEs rubric.
• Update and improve curriculum to meet Common Core Standards -

ELA curriculum, which meets Common Core Standards, has been purchased for grades Pre-K through grade 8. Saxon Math is currently used in grades one through eight and the school hopes to adopt a Common Core Math curriculum. Online IXL curriculum is used to supplement math and English curriculum. Science and Social Studies weekly magazines are currently being used in grades K-6 and textbooks are being used in grades 7-8.

How effectively has the school accomplished these directives:

Since the arrival of the new principal, it is evident that the school is moving in a positive direction and the Visiting Committee is confident that St. Anthony School will accomplish the 5 Critical Goals within the next three years. The achievement of each of the critical goals continues to be a priority of the pastor, principal, faculty, and staff. The school ensures that the shareholders are included in and informed about the accreditation process.

What impediments, if any, could impact the implementation of the remaining goals in the Action Plan.

At the current time there are no obvious impediments. Funding could impact the achievement of some of the strategies.

Attach copies of:
  a. the Visiting Committee Report of Finding (Appendix A)
  b. the Revised Action Plan
  c. the WCEA Annual Reports of Progress since the last full visit. (Appendix C)