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Columbus High School Recognized For Having More Hispanic Students Succeed In Advanced Placement Microeconomics Than Any Other School Worldwide

Miami, FL ...Christopher Columbus High School was identified as having more Hispanic students succeed in the College Board's Advanced Placement Microeconomics program than any other school in the world. Columbus also recently ranked as one of the top 50 Catholic high schools in the country by the National Catholic High School Honor Roll this past October.

“At Columbus we are dedicated to providing students with a challenging curricula with a variety of AP courses. This recognition from the College Board acknowledges the hard work of our faculty, staff and students,” said Br. Patrick McNamara, Principal of Christopher Columbus High School. The school currently has 340 students participating in advanced placement classes and 300 participating in dual enrollment classes with Florida International University. The Columbus Microeconomics Program is led by faculty member Daniel Ciocca who worked extensively with the students to prepare them for the demanding coursework.

According to the College Board whose mission is to prepare, inspire, and connect students to college success and opportunity, Christopher Columbus High School is a model for schools worldwide that are preparing students for success in such rigorous curricula.

Since being founded nearly 50 years ago more than 10,000 students have graduated from Columbus. More than 99% of graduates go on to college, with many taking on prominent positions in our society. Some of Columbus' notable alumni include Florida Supreme Court Justice Raoul Garcia Cantero III, Ray Rodriguez, CEO of Univision Network, Dr. Pedro Greer, and Brian Griese, Professional Football Player with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

The mission of the school is to make Jesus Christ known and loved, to prepare young men for higher education and for their continuous challenge of harmonizing faith, culture and life. Columbus' dedicated and talented faculty strive to instill Christian values in all their students in a very safe and caring environment.

In addition to providing an excellent academic program, the school offers an outstanding athletic and extra-curricular program as well. Columbus is also dedicated to the spiritual journey of its students through its Campus Ministry program. All of these areas are important to nurture the growth of the whole person in heart, mind, and body, per the Marist philosophy.