

## **HOW CAN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS CONTRIBUTE TO SUPPORTING ECONOMIC GROWTH IN EUROPE?**

In the past, if you were a Catholic that was more of a setback than a value because a true Catholic in the business world is always “dangerous” for everybody that hopes to win dishonestly. A true Catholic will never lie, cheat or steal and he will always “do the right thing”.

To help the economic growth we first have to give young Catholics a possibility to grow in Catholic and overall human values, like honesty, courage, devotion, etc.

This is the seed of all our hope to encourage young Catholics in supporting economic growth. The next but as important a values is the desire to study, learn, but not just plain memorizing but to help students to connect subjects and encourage them to think interdisciplinary.

Innovations attract the main economic attention. In schools we have to help a student who has an innovative idea in science or technology. The duty of school teachers should be to help that kind of a student and help him develop and thereafter realize his idea.

One of the most important advice is that we can give or even must give students a desire for success in the world. That desire is connected with their mental strength. We should promote philosophy and psychology to prepare students for the cruelty of the modern world. Good conditions for developing their mental strength should be provided by educational institutions. Students also must be aware of the competition in the economic and business world. Students should be aware of creating an atmosphere of healthy competition that does not corrupt the students or even teachers. The best students must be awarded in order to encourage the less successful ones.

Last but not the least important idea is to encourage connecting and socializing especially among students. It is a great achievement for students and also for the school if they stay in touch even after their high school years, which is the case we practice successfully at our school. This is also the proof of mutual wellbeing and stimulation for our contribution to the betterment of the world.

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