Statement on Equity, Justice and Multicultural Education

Every Sacred Heart School in the United States subscribes to the “Goals and Criteria of Sacred Heart Education.” Therefore, sensitivity to and support of the diversification of the campus at all levels is part of the essential nature of a Sacred Heart School. Sacred Heart Schools, Atherton hold as their mission the inclusion of diverse people at all levels of campus life and the development of programs to support the unique needs of each student. To this end the Board of Trustees adopts the following goals:

• The Board seeks to diversify its own membership
• The Board commits itself to support programs that edify all members of our community.

The Board calls the administration to:

• Commit itself to the recruitment of administrators, faculty, staff and students from a variety of ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds.
• Develop programs that help retain and graduate students from a variety of ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds.
• Create an environment of support for all members of our community.

Specifically, in regard to students, it is the goal of Sacred Heart Schools that:

• The financial aid program be sufficient to support each applicant on a need blind acceptance basis.
• No student be marginalized in any campus activity.
• No student will be unable to attend school or a school activity because of financial constraints.
• Campus activities be organized with an awareness of and respect for our community’s socio-economic diversity.
• Sufficient support programs be developed to help students achieve a “level playing field” in academics, social and extra-curricular activities.

The Board supports the Schools’ commitment to create an intellectual, cultural and spiritual environment in which all members of the Sacred Heart community take pride and thrive. Thus, it is hoped that all who come into contact with Sacred Heart Schools may begin to find fulfillment, peace and God.