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### **THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION RECOGNIZES SCHOLAR S AWARD RECIPIENT**

Irving, Texas (February 9, 2009)—The Highlands School junior, Laura Cordova, was recently acknowledged in the Catholic Foundation Scholars Award competition for her essay entitled, “What My Catholic Education Means To Me.” In recognition of her outstanding years, she was given a \$500 scholarship to be used towards tuition for her senior year. Laura wrote the essay after she was nominated by her school to participate.

The older of two children attending The Highlands, she is a member of The National Honor Society, a team leader for the eighth grade girls Challenge team, and a student council representative. Additionally, she plays varsity volleyball and basketball, but she concedes, “It’s the formation I have received, which sparked my zeal to write this essay.” As a member of Regnum Christi, Laura is very enthusiastic about Catholic education, and says her goal is “to help the Church proclaim its teaching and profound truth.”

She reveals her true inspiration for her gift beautifully in her essay when she states: “My Catholic education has exposed me to the Light and shines forth from me as a guide to others. Yet at the same time, I know that I am merely reflecting the light of Christ, who is my Savior and my goal.”

After graduation, Laura hopes to obtain a scholarship and attend a Catholic university in Texas near her family. She is currently interested in studying psychology, journalism, or nursing.

### **About The Highlands School**

Established in 1986, The Highlands School is a Catholic college-preparatory school directed by the Legionaries of Christ. Offering grades Pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup>, the mission of The Highlands School is the development of the whole person, consisting of a profound intellectual, human, and

spiritual formation. Personalized attention from faculty, staff, and religious provides each student with the maximum opportunity for growth.

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