



# “GOOD TEACHER” AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

Great Books Classical  
Homeschool Coop

In association with:  
Angelicum Academy  
[www.angelicum.net](http://www.angelicum.net)

Location:  
Knights of Columbus Hall  
St Edward Catholic Church  
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Targeting enrollment for:  
Fall 2021

## INTERESTED? CONTACT:

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**“One of the great problems of our time is that many are schooled, but few are educated.”**

-St. Thomas More

### Purpose Statement:

To provide the opportunity for SW Minnesota families to give a “Great Books” classical education to their children in a community setting.

### Why “Great Books”?

- Puts students **directly** in contact with the Great Ideas proposed by Western Civilization. Students read works from Plato, Aristotle, Augustine, Dante, Aquinas, Shakespeare, and many more! (Greeks, Roman, Medieval and Modern authors)
  - These are not just for “smarty-pants” intellectuals! The concepts are accessible to everyone, though they are sadly no longer taught in most curriculums today.
- Uses “Socratic” method of shared questioning and inquiry.
- Oriented toward the understanding that the primary purpose of education is not to just “get a job” but to seek the True, Good, and Beautiful (and become better human beings in the process).

### Why partner with Angelicum Academy?

- Qualified Instructors/Moderators
- Optional additional offerings available:
  - Logic, Ethics, Latin, Theology and other courses
  - 3-8<sup>th</sup> Gr – “Socratic discussions” & “Philosophy for Kids”
  - Liberal Studies offerings with Ignatius Press
  - College credit (A.A. degree) for Great Books students in partnership with Holy Cross College (Cromwell, CT)
- Solidly Catholic (Note: students from other faith traditions are welcome! Theology offerings are optional.)
- Flexible format with minimum time commitment (2-4 hrs/wk)
  - Easily coordinates with any homeschool curriculum
  - For public/private school students, may even be an option to incorporate into school schedule.

### Proposed Format

- Co-op students would be co-located and connect with teachers & other students live via virtual connection.
- 4-year program (typically taken 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades, but is open to any student age 14 or older. Heck, even adults can go through the program!)
- ½ day/week “shared” class time
  - Students in different years may not have class simultaneously but to the extent possible classes would be scheduled “close” to each other
  - Students are welcome to take other Angelicum courses, even if they occur outside the “shared” time.

### To-Dos/In Progress:

- Determine interest level in region
- Determine meeting/class times
- Creation of Non-profit association for co-op
- Procure potential funding source(s) to assist interested families who need financial aid (unaided tuition = \$1295/year)