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### 601.1 Purpose:

To partially fulfill the obligation of the People of God to support Catholic Schools and the unique education they bring to the children within the Archdiocese of Baltimore

### 601.2 Restrictions:

The funds acquired through this special assessment are specifically restricted to use in parish, interparish, or Archdiocesan schools.

### 601.3 Definitions:

**Archdiocesan School** - Any separately incorporated school with respect to which the Archbishop has significant reserved powers including those schools established as Archdiocesan Collaborative Schools (ACS) by the Archbishop.

**Parish Offertory** - Those funds entered in accounts 4010-4050 of the Uniform Charter of Accounts for the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

**Parish School** - Any school that is owned and operated by a parish within the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

**Interparish/Regional School** - Any incorporated school that has been formed to serve two or more parishes in the Archdiocese of Baltimore and has parishes as sponsors and/or as affiliates of the school.

**School building** - Any building where the primary use is for the instruction of students or for the administration of educational programs.

## 601.4 Special Assessment Rate:

The Special Assessment called for in this Policy will be assessed at a rate of 1 to 5% of a parish's annual offertory, depending on the parish's average offertory for the prior two years, as follows:

Annual Offertory Amount	Contribution %
Less than \$100,000	1%
\$100,001-\$200,000	2.5%
\$200,001-\$500,000	3.5%
\$500,001 and over	5%