

## Everest Collegiate in Clarkston earns National Blue Ribbon honors



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[Everest Collegiate High School and Academy](#), a Catholic school in Clarkston, is one of only 50 private schools in the country and the only private school in Michigan to be awarded 2016 National Blue Ribbon honors.

Everest is the only pre-K through grade 12 educational institution in Michigan to win the award across both the public and private sectors.

According to a U.S. Department of Education, the National Blue Ribbon Schools Program honors public and private elementary, middle, and high schools where

students achieve high learning standards or are making notable improvements in closing the achievement gap.

The award affirms the hard work of students, educators, families, and communities in creating safe and welcoming schools where students master challenging content.

The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program has bestowed this award on fewer than 8,500 schools in the last 34 years.

[This year, three public schools in Oakland County](#) also received the award:

- Deerfield Elementary School, Rochester Hills, Avondale School District
- Lessenger Elementary School, Madison Heights, Lamphere Schools
- Schroeder Elementary School, Troy School District