## Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and Verizon Wireless Partner to Introduce Mobile Technology in Science Curriculum

During Catholic Schools Week, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic School in Baltimore County and Verizon Wireless are celebrating a new partnership that has introduced cutting-edge, mobile learning devices to the classroom. Earlier this month, 30 Samsung Galaxy tablets were introduced in four classrooms at Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

Freshman and sophomores are currently using the devices for biology while juniors and seniors are using the tablets to learn about chemistry and physics. Middle school teachers have incorporated the technology as they teach about constellations and earth science through exciting interactive applications. Elementary students in third and fourth grade will also use Android applications that include audio and video such as Edmodo.

Data shows that increasing student engagement with learning devices such as tablets and smart phones brings improved academic achievement. The technology augments the work of the teachers and facilitates collaboration, shared ideas, and digital literacy – all in real-time through the safe environment of school-approved websites and content.

Catholic Schools Week is January 29 - February 4 and is a national, annual celebration showcasing the hallmarks of Catholic education - academic achievement, faith formation, and commitment to service.

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