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University of Saint Mary Moves Wyandotte County Classes to Providence Medical Center

(Leavenworth, Kan.) —The University of Saint Mary announces that undergraduate classes held in Wyandotte County will move to Providence Medical Center. After careful consideration, USM has decided to discontinue renting space from Donnelly College. The long-standing 2+2 Partnership agreement between USM and Donnelly will continue to enable qualified Donnelly students to transfer to USM with junior class standing.

“We are grateful for the long and fruitful partnership we have enjoyed with Donnelly College and we value the relationship that has resulted in service to many hundreds of students over three decades,” said Sister Diane Steele, president of University of Saint Mary. “Saint Mary remains committed to serving the educational needs of the people of Wyandotte County. With the creation of our new nursing program and our partnership with Providence in this endeavor, the move to Providence seems to be a good fit for both of us,” Steele said.

“We are pleased to extend our partnership with the University of Saint Mary by offering available classroom space for the university on the Providence Medical Center campus,” said Jim Paquette, Providence Health CEO. “Providence, which is located in western Wyandotte County near Nebraska Furniture Mart, is easily accessible from I-435 and I-70. Students will enjoy the beauty of our inviting campus as well as free, convenient parking.”

University of Saint Mary has already been offering MBA classes at Providence. “We have been holding MBA classes at Providence for the last three years,” added Dr. Ronald Logan, Dean of USM’s Overland Park Campus. “We’re expanding that program and are seeking to expand the number of students in our undergraduate programs at Providence.”

Donnelly College President Ken Gibson remarked, “We appreciate all that the University of Saint Mary has done to provide advanced education for area students. I look forward to future discussions with Saint Mary on ways that we can serve area students together.”

Saint Mary’s move to Providence is effective July 1, 2004. Fall 2004 classes begin on August 18. Call 913-345-8288 for more information.

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