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DAYTON, Ohio, September 16, 1975 -- The Center for Values in Education at the University of Dayton has been commissioned by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati to study the problem of decreasing enrollment in high schools in the archdiocese.

Under the guidance of John O. Geiger, director of the center established a year and one half ago, the study will examine why some of the 13 schools are having enrollment difficulties while others are not.

The study will attempt to conclude with recommendations regarding the future of all the schools that are being examined.

To determine the causes of the problem and to offer possible solutions, the project will both analyze the curriculum and philosophy of the schools and analyze demographic features. Also, an extensive survey will be made of principals and the superintendent, present and potential students, parents of present and potential students, parents not sending their children to Catholic schools, and staff and faculties.

Joining Dr. Geiger in the project are: Ellis A. Joseph, dean of UD's school of education; M. Byron Morton, director of teacher placement at UD; former assistant superintendent for public instruction for the State of Ohio; and professor of educational administration at UD; and Herman Torge, superintendent of schools, Twin Valley Local School District, West Alexandria, Ohio.

The final report of the project is scheduled to be completed by February 1, 1976.