

# Distinguished Lasallian Educator Award – Staff

## 2022-2023

### Patricia Carey

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#### Quality Engagement and Excellence

Students who frequented the Multicultural Center looked to Patricia as a nurturing person. Many see her as a mother figure on campus because she cares about their well-being, their schooling, and she is a good listener. In a Quadrangle article in 2018, they wrote “Not only do students recognize Carey and she recognizes them, but students often go to her when they need someone to talk to because of her familiarity to them.”

#### Respect for Human Dignity

Patricia is very devoted to our mission on campus and has worked with scenarios dealing with people from all walks of life. While working for the Orientation office she encountered many questions about whether they would be a fit on campus if they were not Catholic, and she put them at ease, letting them know we are a welcoming and inclusive campus. She is on our front lines with students and parents and honors everyone’s opinion and thoughts.

#### Reflection on Faith and its Relation

Patricia cares so much for her family and when I ask how things are going, when I assume her answer would relay how tough things are, I instead get a response of positivity in how good God is and how much she trusts Him and puts her faith in His hands.

#### An Emphasis on Ethical Conduct

Patricia is very trustworthy. She acts with integrity and does not boast about matters. She handles matters discreetly when someone’s privacy needs to be honored. Patricia has also elevated issues to her supervisors if she feels something is not going the right way.

#### Commitment to Social Justice

Patricia cares deeply for the students and parents in our community. She has a caring heart and seeks out the proper path for those who are needy and possibly financially strained. She supports the college’s work outside the community and has done so much to set a welcoming tone in any office she works in.

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