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Gross Catholic to Honor Vankat Family with *Dux Esto* Award

BELLEVUE— On April 25, 2009, the Vankat Family will be honored with the *Dux Esto* Award at Gross Catholic High School's annual dinner/auction CeleBration. This year's CeleBration is the culminating event of Gross Catholic's 40th anniversary.

Dux Esto is the motto of Daniel J. Gross Catholic High School and encourages us to "Be A Leader." This award recognizes special alumni, faculty and staff, parents, and patrons who have demonstrated extraordinary leadership and support for the Cougar Family.

The Vankat Family will be honored for their deep and lasting commitment to the values of Catholic education and belief in the people and programs that are the Cougar Family. Jack & Rose Marie Vankat enrolled their eldest daughter, Jackie Vankat Buchta, as part of Gross Catholic's first freshman class in 1968. Jackie was subsequently followed by her nine brothers and sisters, and at least one of Jack & Rose Marie's children or grandchildren has been enrolled at Gross Catholic for 38 of our 40 years!

Jackie Vankat Buchta 1972
Monica Vankat Brown 1974
Geri Vankat Tolbert 1975
Bonnie Vankat Beacom 1977
Jay Vankat 1978
Raymond Vankat 1980
Valerie Vankat Frahm 1982
David Vankat 1985
Daniel Vankat 1987
Jennifer Vankat 1991

Jason Dworak 1994
Greg Buchta 2000
Ben Buchta 2002
Nick Buchta 2010
Ben "Andy" Brown 2004
Carrie Brown 2007
Tim Brown 2010
Dillon Tolbert 2011
Emily Beacom 2009
Jonah Beacom 2012

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