

NATURE AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES OF APPLICANT

Non-Profit and Educational Nature

It is the intent of the applicant to operate the proposed station in a manner consistent of Subpart G of Part 73 of the Commission's Rules.

The applicant is a non-profit Roman Catholic elementary school located in Ludington, Michigan, the county seat of Mason County. Our school is covered by a blanket ruling of the Internal Revenue Service for various Roman Catholic parishes and churches nationwide that it is exempt from federal taxation pursuant to 26 U.S.C. §501(c)(3). It offers daily classes in the history, truths, dogmas and beliefs of the Roman Catholic religion, among other subjects. The applicant has a local school board, and these individuals are reflected in Section II of FCC Form 318.

In *Columbia Bible College Broadcasting Co.*, 6 FCC Rcd 516 (1991), at paragraphs 9 and 10, the Commission stated that religiously-oriented applicants can meet the eligibility standards set forth in Section 73.503 of the Commission's Rules, where the applicant (1) proposes an overall educational program and (2) its proposed programming furthers its educational objectives. As can be seen by this Exhibit, the applicant has been in operation for many years at the same location, and its purposes evidence an overall educational program.

Furtherance of Educational Objectives

The applicant is eligible pursuant to Section 73.503 to be a non-commercial licensee of the station covered by this application, because the applicant proposes programming which constitutes an overall educational program and the programming furthers the organization's educational objectives. In this case, the applicant intends to broadcast programs to further its educational purposes as outlined above.

Although the exact titles and subject matter of the programs will be determined at the time the proposed station is constructed and ready for operation, we can state that the selection of all programs to air on our proposed station will be consistent with and guided by the foregoing mission statement. We will use programs from such recognized Roman Catholic radio program producers as the EWTN Global Catholic Radio Network and Ave Maria Radio.

The proposed low power FM station will also work with local Roman Catholic parishes, catechism programs and organizations to assist their educational efforts with respect to teaching of the Catholic religion.

In sum, it is our objective to use the proposed radio station to provide a valuable educational resource for the residents of the area that we propose to serve.