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Dear Provincial Superior,
Dear Head teacher,
Dear Friends of Loyola

Mary Ward Education Congress 2008

As part of the preparation for the 400 Year Jubilee of Mary Ward's Foundation (1609-2009) I am writing to you to give you prior information about the Mary Ward Congress to be held in 2008.

The title of the Congress will be "Mary Ward – Educating Together in Church and World". The venue will be Rome, and the dates from Sunday, 19th October (arrivals) to departures on Friday, October 24th.

As with the 2004 Education Conference in Loyola we are hoping that all CJ provinces will be represented and that we will be joined by representatives of the IBVM/Loreto's. It is also our intention that provinces should be represented equally by members of the CJ and by their lay colleagues, so we would ask you to keep this in mind.

This letter is to give you advance notice of the Congress in order to help your long-term planning. Invitations to the Congress will be sent to all Provincial Superiors, all Heads of CJ Schools in late 2007.

It is the intention of the General Leadership of the CJ and of the Commission working on its behalf that this Congress will be of assistance to our CJ educators in their preparation for the Jubilee of 2009.

Once again we have been able to secure some sponsorship funding and details about subsidies for the Congress and for travel will be communicated to you along with the letter of invitation.

On behalf of all the members of the Education Congress Commission may I say how much we are looking forward to meeting our Mary Ward co-educationalists again.

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Chairperson Education Congress 2008