ANNUAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR
OF THE DIRECT ARCHDIOCESAN DISTRICT
November 4, 2014

The annual *Staff Development Seminar* will be held under the auspices of His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios of America on **Tuesday, November 4th**, at St. Demetrios High School in Astoria. The Seminar offers in-service training to all teachers of the parochial day and afternoon/Saturday schools of the District and the surrounding areas.

The *Office of Education* of the Direct District has arranged for an array of presentations and workshops to take place focusing on current trends in Education as well as the mandates set by the New York State Education Department pertaining to the English program of studies of the parochial day schools and including the Greek program as its foreign language component.

The English program workshops have been designed by *Catapult*, an official educational agency of the New York City Department of Education that provides professional development.

Dr. Marios Koukounaras – Liagkis, Professor at the School of Theology of the University of Athens, will be the main presenter for the Greek program. A philologist and theologian, Prof. Liagkis has vast experience in teacher training. He will refer to current methodologies and techniques for the teaching of the Greek language by means of using Art and Applied Theater. In addition, he will provide ways of interdisciplinary teaching of Religion and the Greek Language.

Ms. Caren Moncher Zayde, Executive Director, Division of Nonpublic Schools, New York City Department of Education, will address all the teachers at lunch time.

The Office *of Education* invites all the teachers of the Direct Archdiocesan District as well as those of the neighboring areas to attend the **Seminar** on **November 4th** and promises an exciting and rich in content program that will prove beneficial to all teachers.

For registration to attend the Staff Development Seminar, please contact the Direct Archdiocesan Office of Education at 212-570-3552.