



DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ALLIANCE

April 10, 2022

Dear Members of the St. John Paul II School Community,

As you know, Chris Keavy will be stepping down as Head of School at the end of the 2021-2022 school year. We recognize with appreciation his contributions to the St. John Paul II community over his 16-year tenure, and we wish him well in his future endeavors. Whenever a leader with such longevity leaves, questions arise about what it means for the school. I want to take this opportunity to assure you of our commitment to St. John Paul II School as well as share with you our plans for the leadership transition.

Since opening as a high school in 2007, St. John Paul II has held an esteemed and prominent place on the educational landscape of Southeast Massachusetts, providing an excellent Catholic education, empowering students to recognize their gifts, developing their potential, and communicating Christ in word and deed. The Diocese is committed to seeing it continue to thrive as a beacon of hope for families seeking a Catholic education on Cape Cod.

Given that this announcement of a change in leadership comes later in the school year, we have started a process to identify an Interim Head of School who would start on July 1, 2022. This week, I have met with members of the St. John Paul II advisory board. With their help, we have begun to form a search committee. The committee will convene after Easter and begin interviewing interim candidates in the subsequent weeks. This approach will enable us to start a full-fledged search when Head of School candidates typically begin exploring new opportunities in the fall.

Ensuring continuity as we identify St. John Paul II's next Head of School will remain a top priority. In the days and weeks ahead, we will provide further details about the search along with updates on our progress.

Sincerely,

Daniel S. Roy
Superintendent of Schools