



POPE ST. JOHN XXIII PARISH

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Dear Parishioners of Pope Saint John XXIII Parish Family,

I am writing to share an update regarding our plan for school leadership at Pope St. John XXIII STEM Academy. As you know, Marc Nuno will be leaving at the end of this school year. Since learning of Marc's departure, I have been working with the Office for Catholic Schools to determine next steps and ensure we have a strong succession plan in place.

With that in mind, I am excited to share that I have appointed Celeste Conflitti as the interim principal for the 2026/2027 school year. As you know, Ms. Conflitti joined our staff last fall, and she quickly became a trusted and valued member of the PSJSTEM team. With over 30 years of experience, including serving as a Catholic high school principal and teaching in an innovative STEM program, Ms. Conflitti is well positioned to strengthen and advance our path forward at PSJSTEM. As interim principal, she will take on the daily responsibilities of a principal for the duration of the 2026/2027 school year. She will be working closely with me, the School Commission, and our staff to ensure PSJSTEM remains a welcoming, faith-filled, and academically sound learning environment for our students and families. I am very confident she brings the experience and skills needed to successfully shepherd our school through the coming school year. I believe the Holy Spirit has intentionally placed her in this time and place, and I am thankful she has answered the call. Please see Ms. Conflitti's letter below, introducing herself to the community. Please join me in welcoming her to this new role.

This interim plan allows us the time and care to conduct a comprehensive principal search process, beginning in the fall of this year. I will work alongside the Office for Catholic Schools and key members of our School Commission to launch a search for a permanent principal. PSJSTEM staff and community members will also play a critical role in this process by providing important feedback to identify the traits and characteristics we need in our next school leader which will help inform the search committee's work. As this process begins, we will provide regular updates.

In the meantime, please feel free to reach out to me should you have any questions. I am grateful for your collaboration and support. I ask for your prayers for Ms. Conflitti as she begins this role and for our community in this time of transition.

Sincerely yours in Christ

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