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Dear St. Bonaventure High School Community,

The Department of Catholic Schools is excited to announce that following a comprehensive search process, Mrs. Christina Castro has been appointed as the next principal of St. Bonaventure High School beginning July 1, 2019. The search committee felt strongly that Mrs. Castro possesses the vision, experience, focus on academic outcomes and college readiness, and love for St. Bonaventure that is the right fit to lead the school into a bright future.

Mrs. Castro is a Seraph through and through, having graduated from St. Bonaventure in the class of 1986 and worked at the school for the past twenty years. During her tenure at St. Bonaventure, Mrs. Castro has served as a Theology teacher, guidance counselor, Dean of Curriculum, and most recently as Vice Principal. In addition, her husband is a graduate (class of '84) and her two children graduated from St. Bonaventure High School in 2008 and 2010.

Mrs. Castro earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from California State University, Channel Islands and a Master of Arts in Education from Azusa Pacific University. Additionally, she possesses a Pupil Personnel Services Credential from the State of California.

Upon receiving news of her appointment as principal, Mrs. Castro shared, "It really is an honor to serve my Alma Mater! My family has shared a lot of history at this school, and I believe St. Bonaventure helped create, develop and inspire the people we are today. We will continue to build on those rich traditions, working with our families and students to uphold the values of St. Bonaventure High School. I'm looking forward to this great journey and am excited for the future of our school! Thank you for your support now and in the future."

On behalf of the entire Department of Catholic Schools, I wish to express my gratitude to the St. Bonaventure community for offering their candid input during the search process, as well as to the student interview panel and members of the search committee who thoughtfully engaged in the process.

We are deeply grateful to Mr. Marc Groff, for his many years of service to the St. Bonaventure Community. Mr. Groff will begin working with Mrs. Castro immediately to help ensure a smooth transition.

Please join us in celebrating and supporting Mrs. Castro in this new role and keep her and the entire St. Bonaventure High School Community in your prayers during the transition. Please know of my prayers for the continued growth and success of the school.

God bless,



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