



August 12, 2020

Dear Members of the Archbishop John Carroll High School Community,

At the end of July, we announced that Mr. Frank Fox would be stepping down as president of Archbishop John Carroll High School effective August 14, 2020. We wish Mr. Fox the very best as he becomes chief executive officer for the American operations of a British company specializing in cyber security protection of young people. We are grateful for his many contributions during his seven years of dedicated service to Archbishop Carroll.

Today, we are pleased to share that as the rigorous national search for a president for Archbishop Carroll continues, Mr. James Nelson Leary has been appointed acting president, effective August 17, 2020.

Mr. Leary most recently served as chief operating officer of Dechert, LLP, a global law firm based in Philadelphia, with 1,000 lawyers and 26 locations, representing corporations, financial institutions, sovereign states, private and high-net worth individuals, from 2014 until his retirement in 2018. He has held several high level administrative roles, including serving as chief administrative officer at Saint Mary's Parish in Annapolis, Md.; executive director of Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP in Washington, D.C.; executive director of law firm Shaw Pittman in Washington, D.C., and director of administration of the law firm Shipman and Goodwin, LLC in Hartford, Conn. Early in his career, Mr. Leary was an assistant basketball coach at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md., as well as a middle school and high school teacher and coach in Buffalo, N.Y. and Seaford, Del.

In addition to his professional work, Mr. Leary has held several board and volunteer positions including: vice president of the Foundation Board of the State University New York at Geneseo; commissioner of the Washington Catholic Athletic Conference, and he served as a member of the Board of Directors of Elizabeth Seton High School.

Mr. Leary's body of work as a respected and proven leader in business and civics shows a commitment to excellence that speaks directly to Archbishop Carroll's mission as an institution that works to ensure every student is provided a path to become the best version of their God-given self. Along with the Archbishop Carroll Board of Directors, please join us in expressing gratitude and congratulations to Mr. Leary as he steps into the role of acting president.

Faith in the Future, the Office of Catholic Education, and the Archbishop John Carroll High School Board of Directors will continue the national search for a permanent president. We reiterate what we shared in a few short weeks ago: this will be an inclusive and transparent process.

Your ongoing support of Archbishop John Carroll High School and the sacrifices you make to provide the gift of a quality Catholic high school education for your sons and daughters are immense. Please know of our gratitude for the trust you place in us and of our prayers for your continued health and safety.

Sincerely,

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Irene Horstmann Hannan  
Chief Executive Officer  
Faith in the Future Foundation

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John W. Goldschmidt, Jr.  
Chairman  
Archbishop John Carroll High School Board of  
Directors

