



## Foundations Welcomes Austin Ryan



Bridgeport - Foundations in Education is pleased to announce the appointment of Austin Ryan as Assistant Director of Development.

"We are delighted to welcome Austin who complements the great work being done by Foundations in Education in support of our schools," said Executive Director Holly Doherty-Lemoine. "Austin brings his unique talents to our effort with promises to help Foundations advance in our mission in support of students, faculty and of course the Diocese of Bridgeport School Superintendent, Dr. Steven Cheeseman's vision to create best in class schools for all our students."

As Assistant Director of Development for Foundations in Education, Austin is tasked with managing a comprehensive development program including annual giving, grants, events, donor cultivation and stewardship.

Austin pursued his Catholic education at Fairfield Prep and Marquette University and began his professional career as a teacher in 2010 at Jesuit College Preparatory School in Dallas, TX. Austin returned to his alma mater, Fairfield Prep, in the summer of 2014 as Director of Alumni Relations and was promoted to Gifts Officer in the winter of 2016.

Austin is currently engaged to his fiancée Melissa and their wedding is set for August 2018!

The mission of Foundations in Education is to strengthen and transform Catholic education in the Diocese of Bridgeport by supporting innovation in academic and extra-curricular programs, fostering opportunities for the professional development of school leaders in innovation and leadership and providing scholarship assistance to families in need.

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