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Dear Saint Edmond's Community:

I am pleased to inform you that we successfully concluded the search for our two new Directors and enthusiastically introduce Juliana McClellan and Steve Skolfield who will assume their roles effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

Juliana has served as a teacher in the Lower Form at Saint Edmond's since 2015. Previously, she taught at Saint Joseph's School-Yorkville in New York City for six years. In addition to her classroom experience, Juliana has been a co-chair of the Mid-Term Accreditation team this past year and represented the school as a Lower Form Admissions Liaison. Previously, at Saint Joseph's, she worked in the Admissions Department, coordinated after-school sports and was the Math Program Coordinator. Juliana received her Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, and her Master's of School Building Leadership from Manhattan College in New York. Juliana will serve as the Director of the Lower Form. Juliana's passion for teaching and experience in working with best teaching practices supports our vision the Lower Form and solidifies her as the strongest candidate for the role of Director. "Saint Edmond's Academy has become a second home to me over these past four years. I am very excited to continue working with such a fantastic community to educate the hearts and minds of all of our students."

Steve is returning to Saint Edmond's after three years at the University of Delaware where he worked as a state-wide Curriculum Trainer and Instructional Specialist in Mathematics. During his nine years at Saint Edmond's, he taught math, science and engineering in the middle form. After graduating from Tower Hill School, Steve attended the University of Delaware for both his Bachelor's degree in Education and his Master's of Instruction. He is currently working towards his Doctorate in Education at the University of Delaware. Steve will serve as the Director of the Middle & Upper Form. Steve's commitment to developing curriculum and his experience in mentoring teachers will serve to enhance his leadership of the

Middle and Upper Forms. "The welcoming nature of the Saint Edmond's Academy community is truly unique. I am excited to be joining this amazing group of educators, students and families for the upcoming school year."

We are grateful to our Principal, Tricia Scott, for her academic leadership over the past eleven years. Her dedicated service to our students and families and her unwavering commitment to our mission have truly made an impact on many Saint Edmond's students and their families. The Academy is a better place because of Tricia.

I am thankful to the dedicated Search Committee who advised me during this process. They represented a cross-section of our community including faculty, parents, staff and Board members. The process was a thorough one, and the candidates selected completed multiple phone and in-person interviews. The committee's time, effort, reflection and commitment over the past two months have been invaluable.

Over the next few months, we will provide opportunities to meet Juliana and Steve and welcome them to their new roles.

As we continue to celebrate this season of renewal, I wish you and your families a blessed Easter Holiday. I remain thankful for the strong and committed community of Saint Edmond's Academy, and look forward to our continued growth.



Brian J. Ray  
Head of School