

September 1, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians & Supporters of St. Maria Goretti HS,

We are grateful to all who made the start to the new school year smooth and successful, most especially those who developed and implemented the plan to safely reopen the school. The new school year is full of promise, as we have a qualified and dedicated faculty and staff in place to teach our students in excellent facilities and using the newest technology to help our students excel academically, whether in school or virtually. A State of the School meeting will be scheduled for the end of September, at which time Goretti families will hear more about all the exciting developments taking place at school this year, as well as the many opportunities that lie ahead.

As familiar faces return to campus and we welcome new members of the Goretti family, we also say good-bye to another, as Mr. Christopher Cosentino departs his role as President of St. Maria Goretti High School. We are grateful for his three years of faithful service and wish him and his family all the best.

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Thomas Burnford, former President and CEO of the National Catholic Educational Association, will serve as Interim President of St. Maria Goretti while a search is conducted for Mr. Cosentino's replacement. Dr. Shannon Storch will continue serving as Principal. We are grateful to Dr. Storch for his leadership, as he continues his critical role of oversight of all academic programming and student care.

While Dr. Storch and the faculty and staff are focused on inspiring academic excellence, spiritual growth, leadership and service for all Goretti students, the Board of Directors, the Archdiocese of Baltimore and the Interim President are focused on securing Goretti's facilities for decades to come, addressing and improving the school's finances, and reaching out to engage the larger community in the school's mission. However, it will take the collective contributions of the entire St. Maria Goretti community, including alumni and current families, to ensure the school achieves its promise as the leading Catholic academic institution for students in Hagerstown and the Central Maryland region now and for generations to come.

Sincerely,

Mr. James Marshall

Chair, Board of Directors

Mr. James Marshall

Mr. James Sellinger

Chancellor, Dept. of Schools Archdiocese of Baltimore