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Dear Christian Brothers High School Community:

I am pleased to share that Cecilia Powers has accepted our offer to serve as Principal of Christian Brothers High School. This exciting news marks the culmination of a process that began this fall with the formation of two Principal Search Committees.

The adult committee who joined me in the interview process, comprised of Lauren Adams '14, DJ Bowen, Dominique Brown, Ceron Cherry, Anna Fernandez, Nan Fitzpatrick, Darrin Greer, Kevin Haag '87, Brendan Hogan '95, Dr. Bill Iliff '76, Kristen McCarthy, Melissa McClellan, April Melarkey, and Dale Milton, was intentionally designed to represent a broad range of teachers, administrators, alumni, past and present CB parents, and educators. The student committee, comprised of Ella-Simone Davis '27, Elizabeth Melarkey '27, David Neuberger '28, Kingston Sablan '27, Andres Sanchez '27, and Journey Williams '27, played an important role as we worked to ensure student voices were heard.

After reviewing applications and screening a number of highly qualified candidates, four outstanding educators advanced to interviews with both committees. Following those meetings, I reviewed data submitted by all committee participants, engaged in deep conversations with the committees and concluded that Cecilia truly represents the best of the best. Her love for our shared Lasallian Mission, her clear understanding of what our community needs to continue to provide a Quality Education, and her desire to care for the students entrusted to us in an Inclusive Environment shone through.

Mrs. Powers brings a long and distinguished record of service to our Lasallian Catholic mission. Over the past 30 years, she has served in nearly every academic and leadership role at CB including Interim Principal, Assistant Principal, and Dean of Students. Beyond our campus, she has contributed meaningfully to the broader Lasallian community, including a six-year term as a Trustee at Justin-Siena High School and ongoing involvement in district initiatives.

I am deeply grateful to the Search Committees for their time, insight, and dedication throughout this process. Please join me in thanking Cecilia for her outstanding service as Interim Principal and for accepting the responsibility of leading us forward as we continue to build on our 150-year tradition of providing a human and Christian education to the students entrusted to our care.

Live Jesus in our hearts!

Sincerely, Dave Perry, Ed.D. President