



SACRED HEART SCHOOL

April 23, 2021

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

Serving the Sacred Heart community the past six years has been a tremendous honor and one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. Together, we have faced challenges, made changes, and experienced success, making Sacred Heart a well-known name in the community and a school that people seek to be a part of. Therefore, it is with very mixed emotions I write to inform you that, after thoughtful prayer and listening to the call of the Holy Spirit, I have made the incredibly difficult decision to pursue a new career opportunity following this school year.

I am very proud of all that our school has accomplished over the last six years, as we have grown, thrived, and evolved. We were honored with our first National Blue Ribbon Award in 2018, opened our STEAM lab to enhance our curriculum, developed school Root Beliefs and Core Values, consistently posted scores in the top tier of the nation, grew enrollment, and educated students during a worldwide pandemic.

While my heart is full with all we have accomplished over the past six years, I also know that now is the time for me personally and professionally to further spread my wings in a larger setting. I know without a doubt that I am a better leader and educator because of all I have learned from this exceptional community over the last six years.

I am so incredibly proud of our amazingly talented faculty and staff. It has been an honor to work alongside these women and men who so beautifully live out the Root Beliefs of Sacred Heart School. I have been inspired by their commitment to growth, as well as their selfless devotion to the success of our students. I also know that our current school leadership team is very strong and will continue to lead our school community through this principal transition.

Sacred Heart parents, I am eternally grateful for the countless lessons you have taught me and the support you've shown throughout the years. The sacrifices you make to ensure a quality Catholic education for your child are admirable. I have learned so much from the students I have had the privilege of leading.

I would like to especially thank Father Steve for his leadership of Divine Mercy Parish, and for taking a chance on a brand new principal and entrusting the leadership of our school to my care over the past six years. You have given me the opportunity to grow as a leader and take chances, and for that I am truly grateful. Divine Mercy Parish is doing so much great work, and I know that will continue under your leadership.

I am excited about what's to come for Sacred Heart, and, although I am saddened that I won't be here next year, I have assured Father Steve that I am committed to a smooth transition for a new principal to ensure the continuation of our current initiatives and a successful 21-22 school year. I will remain in my role as principal of Sacred Heart School until June 30, 2021.

Thank you for making Sacred Heart my second home for the last six years. Sacred Heart is a special place that is built on strong faith, relationships, family, which is why I know that this

community will welcome and support a new principal just as you have welcomed and supported me. Each of you will continue to be in my daily prayers.

With sincere gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kristen Fink". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ms. Kristen Fink
Principal