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Principals New to the Administration in the Archdiocese

(Details in the August news!!!)

Rosemary Leifer	St. Francis of Assisi
Carol Mendoza	St. Bernadette
Dr. Bertha Ciaramello	Holy Family, Auburn
Patrick Fennessy	St. Joseph, Seattle
Selina Innes	St. Alphonsus
Chester Novitt	St. Rose
Susan Venable	Holy Rosary, Edmonds
Mary Helen Bever	St. Catherine, Seattle
TBA	St. Michael, Olympia

Other Administrators Moving within the Catholic Schools

- Kris Brown will be leaving St. Catherine's to serve as Vice Principal at St. Joseph, Seattle.
- Maureen Reid will be leaving St. Alphonsus to serve as Principal at Seattle Prep. Dr. Matt Barmore will be returning back to the classroom at Seattle Prep.
- Bishop Blanchet High School will have the first President, Anthony DeSapio in the fall and Sheila Kries, currently Vice Principal, has been named Principal, and Kinga Sanders will serve as Vice Principal for Academics.
- Steve Schmutz will be leaving Eastside Catholic to serve as Principal at Archbishop Murphy. Fran Ennis will be leaving the Principal position at Archbishop Murphy to work in educational support, as the school moves into a block schedule. Matt Schambari is serving in the President role.
- Polly Skinner will be moving into the High School Principal position at Eastside Catholic.
- Dan Hill will be leaving Holy Family, Auburn to serve as Principal at St. Charles Borromeo.
- Bellarmine Prep has named Robert Modarelli III, as President to begin serving in the school year 2013-2014. Jack Peterson, the current President, will be leaving in June, 2013 after 32 years with the school.

Goodbye and Thanks

As the school year ends, we say goodbye to administrators who have earned the right to move on to retirement, reassignments or new adventures. We thank them greatly for their hard work and support of Catholic education and ask that they stay in touch -- they will be missed and we can keep you engaged!!

Tom Lord:

Tom has served the Catholic Schools in many ways with great talent and dedication. After a "retirement" from the public schools, he was recruited to serve as the Principal at Villa Academy. After serving there for six years, he "retired" again, and during that time served the Catholic Schools Department as a consultant and mentor for principal evaluations. Soon he was recruited by Archbishop Murphy and served as Vice Principal as well as other positions. Thinking it was time to "retire" again, he was called out of "retirement" again to serve at Bishop Blanchet as Principal. Next it was off to Eastside Catholic for a year of Principalship and THEN, when he thought he was really ready to "retire", he was called to serve as Interim Superintendent of Catholic Schools. This has been a great year serving with Tom and his leadership of faith, organization, dedication and support, which has helped all the schools keep on track and be ready to welcome the new superintendent. We wish Tom truly a blessed and exciting "retirement" ...we'll see. ☺

Kris Brynildsen-Smith:

Kris has shared her incredible leadership and talents with schools in the Archdiocese since 1986 where she was Principal of St. Catherine School. From 1993 to 2009, she served by being the founding Principal of what began as Holy Cross High School with 110 students and grew into Archbishop Murphy High School. In 2009, she accepted the request from Archbishop Brunett, to be named Archbishop's Special Assistant for Schools, where she served as Principal of St. Paul School and Bishop Blanchet, assisting where needed and providing leadership and guidance as appointed. Kris is to be congratulated on her leadership and successes in the Catholic schools and we wish her well in her future adventures.

Patrick Feist:

Pat has served Catholic education for over 40 years beginning as a teacher in Cathedral School in Bismarck, North Dakota. In 1986, he began his Principalship for the Archdiocese of Seattle at St. Charles Borromeo. Under his outstanding leadership, it became an exemplary school with a quality academic and spiritual program for the students. Pat was a leader and founder with the formation of PACE (Pierce County Association for Catholic Education) for the support of financial development for all the schools in the deanery. He has served as deanery chairperson, a representative to the Executive Principal Committee and provided great leadership with the accreditation programs. Pat has been an outstanding Principal who has shared generously his

talents, faith and hard work and we wish him and his wife all the best as they enjoy the retirement benefits of time and adventures.

Rosemary Griggs:

Rosemary has served as Principal at St. Rose School in Longview since 2008; the prior year holding the position of Principal at Pacific Crest Academy in Camas. Prior to relocating in Washington, she was a teacher and Principal in the Diocese of San Jose, California for twenty years. She has been a good administrator and teacher that is described as friendly and supportive of everyone and “she enjoys children of all ages.” She will be retiring to enjoy more time boating and enjoying her grandchildren!

Kathy Carr:

Kathy began her service in the Archdiocese of Seattle Catholic schools teaching fourth grade at Our Lady of Fatima School in 1991. She continued her educational journey and began her doctoral program at Seattle University. Kathy became Principal at Holy Rosary School in Edmonds in 1998, has served the school community for 14 years, and received her Doctoral Degree with Certificate of Superintendency in 2000. Kathy has always been eager to increase her understanding with further education and has served as a mentor of teachers who were completing their certification programs. She has been a great supporter of Archdiocesan committees to improve and enhance programs for the teachers; staff development is one of her greatest strengths. She has served on the Teacher Excellence Day committee and worked with accreditation teams! We thank Kathy for investing in the vision of quality professional development.

Sheila Keaton:

Sheila began her teaching in Catholic schools at St. Thomas Aquinas School in Brooklyn. In 1986, she began her career in the Archdiocese as a teacher at St. Francis of Assisi teaching fifth grade for six years and then on to middle school until she was named Principal in 1992. While Principal, she has served as a representative from the deanery as an Executive Principal as well as numerous committees through the Catholic Schools Department. Sheila was nominated by her Pastor for the Sr. Mary Taylor Award and he noted her many accomplishments, including the raising of funds to build a gym and add a library, which was dedicated this past fall in her name. Sheila’s goal of working as Principal until the goal of a million dollar endowment was achieved was realized this spring! She is seeking new adventures and isn’t using the word, “retired”... she is redirecting!

George Hofbauer:

George began his career dedicated to Catholic schools as a teacher at O’Dea High School. He moved to St. Joseph School, Seattle in 1975 and taught for several years and then became Principal in 1977, giving 35 years of service as Principal for St. Joseph. George loves teaching, and while he served as Principal, he continued to teach. As he moves into a new position of transition at St. Joseph Parish, he will continue to teach next year. George has given much time, hard work and dedication to Catholic education. He has served in all positions of leadership in the Archdiocese representing the schools on the Executive Principal Committee,

and at the national level as representative to the NCEA Executive Board representing Region 12. George's vision for a quality Catholic education being made available to all no matter what their family financial status, has been backed by his willingness and dedication to find ways to raise the funds to support that goal. He was a leader in the formation of the program to support the "Rainbow Schools", and was a founding member of the Fulcrum Foundation Board. George is dedicated to Catholic education for all and will continue to serve no matter what his future plans may bring.

Bob Graby:

In his most recent service to Catholic schools, Bob has been serving as the President of Archbishop Murphy High School. Bob began his career in education as a teacher in the Catholic schools in California and proceeded to move into teaching and administration at the college level. In 1996, he was named President of Seattle Prep, where he served for several years before moving into the role of Vice President for Development. After trying retirement for a time, he desired to return to education and has been serving Archbishop Murphy since 2008. Bob is planning to see how retirement fits him, but will keep options to serve open for review.

Bob Rutledge:

Bob began his Catholic school service at Villa Academy in 1996 and moved on to teach at St. Alphonsus for seven years before becoming Principal in 2004. In 2008, he moved on to be Principal at St. Bernadette. Bob is looking for new horizons and adventures and we thank him for his service and wish him well!

Jack Nelson:

Jack began his service in Catholic schools teaching at Our Lady Star of the Sea in the sixth grade. He then moved to teach at St. Charles Borromeo until he became Principal at All Saints School in 2000. He has been serving at St. Michael's since 2005. Jack is moving to Baton Rouge, Louisiana to serve as Principal at St. George School, a K-12 school with 1100 students. Best wishes for you and your family in this adventure!