



# Cretin-Derham Hall

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Dear Cretin-Derham Hall Community,

It is with a grateful heart that I share with you my retirement from Catholic education at the end of this school year. Being the President of Cretin-Derham Hall has been the honor of a lifetime and I believe deeply in the vibrancy of our mission, and especially in the faculty/staff, students, parents, alumni, and benefactors who make it so. Thank you for the opportunity to lead this amazing community in our shared mission to transform lives as our founders intended more than 150 years ago.

I am so proud of Cretin-Derham Hall and the work that we have accomplished together. We have weathered some difficult times, and celebrated far too many successes to name. A few things do stand out to me because of the impact on our students and families:

- *Our Catholic identity is strong as we are committed to prayer, Gospel values, social justice, service for the common good, and love of God and the Dear neighbor*
- *Development of the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan*
- *Successful completion of the Strong Foundation, Vibrant Future Campaign (for campus improvements and financial aid)*
- *Building Additions: Lentch Family Forum, Ryan STEM Center*
- *Covid -19 Pandemic - we did our very best to offer in-person education as our students deserved*
- *Commitment to the Dignity and Inclusion of all - we currently have the most diverse staff and Board membership in school history, all to support our students*
- *Financially we are strong, and have resources to ensure a strong future*

After much prayerful consideration, I have accepted the appointment as Co-CEO and Trustee of the Otto Bremer Trust. In this role, I join a team that leads one of the most impactful philanthropic organizations in our region. Quite frankly, this is a role I could not pass up, and I embrace it with humility and great enthusiasm.

I have tremendous faith in the Board of Directors as they launch a search for the next President of CDH. Our long history as a school community that changes lives is a strong foundation for the next leader and I am excited to see what is in store for CDH. I sincerely thank the Christian Brothers, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, and the CDH Board of Directors for their unwavering and faithful dedication to our school. You have inspired me every day for the past fifteen years.

CDH has been and will always be a very special place to me and my family. Catholic education has formed all of us, and CDH has been central to our shared experience. Thank you to this wonderful community, I promise to support you in any way that I can.

May God bless the greatest school in all the land!  
Live Jesus in our hearts, forever!

Frank Miley