



Cretin-Derham Hall

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Dear Cretin-Derham Hall Community,

From the time the Sisters of St. Joseph (1851) and the De La Salle Christian Brothers (1871) arrived in St. Paul, the education of the young and the salvation of youth has been a major priority. The Sisters and the Brothers, and now our partners in the ministry of education, have encouraged a steady movement toward the great commandment - love of neighbor without distinction. Both of our congregations are deeply invested in our school.

People, situations, and contexts change but the salvation of the young and inclusive love of neighbor remains the mission. Mr. Frank Miley has discerned that it is time to make a change in his life and the life of his family. We believe that he has been a stellar president of the school all of us love. He has carried the school forward during his tenure and especially during the 7.5 years of his presidency. While we will miss him, we wish him well and he leaves with our love and prayers for his future.

The Corporate Member has had an initial meeting and has suggested a path forward. First of all, we are going to celebrate Mr. Miley and his accomplishments on behalf of the students, families, faculty, and staff of Cretin-Derham Hall. Second, we will be interviewing two national search firms to help us find the best candidate to fill the presidential vacancy. Third, we believe it is important to do a careful and thorough search. Fourth, we intend to be as transparent as possible throughout the entire process and communicate progress regularly.

We know the only constant in life is change and change always breeds a level of uncertainty that makes us uncomfortable. We believe this school is in great hands with competent administrators, faculty, and staff who will continue their incredible work with our students. We are not uncertain about that.

We request that all of us keep the process of finding a new president in our prayers. With God's grace, the best qualified man or woman of faith will be found.

Sincerely,

Sister Katherine Rossini, CSJ
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