



July 30, 2025

Dear Colleagues and Friends in Catholic Education,

I hope you are having a peaceful summer. I write to share an update regarding administrative personnel supporting our Secondary Schools and Schools of Special Education.

Following a robust search process involving The Office of Catholic Education (OCE) and the Father Judge Board of Directors, Ms. Patricia Rooney, an Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Schools for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, has been appointed the new Principal of Father Judge effective Monday, August 25, 2025. Her appointment follows the departure of Mr. James Hozier, who accepted the position of President of Camden Catholic High School.

I know you join me in offering Ms. Rooney prayerful best wishes and heartfelt congratulations as she prepares to take on this new role in service to the Father Judge community. I also want to thank her for her exemplary service here in the Central Office over the last year. Her wealth of knowledge, decades of administrative experience, and solid leadership will be a great asset to Father Judge High School, the Salesian Gentlemen, school families, and dedicated faculty and staff on Solly Avenue.

As we enter a transitional period here in the Central Office and immediately begin a robust search process to fill the vacancy for the Assistant Superintendent position, please be assured that there will be no impact on the day-to-day operations of our schools or on the educational services that we provide for families. The Central Office for the Secondary Schools and Schools of Special Education will continue to provide seamless support.

Please be assured of my continued prayers and gratitude for all that you do in support of Catholic Education.

Sincerely,

William E. Brannick
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