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St. Joseph Catholic School Announces New School Administrator

April 21, 2020, Des Moines, IA — St. Joseph Catholic School, located at 2107 East 33rd Street, is pleased to announce that Jodi Halligan is the new school administrator for the 2020-2021 school year. Halligan brings more than thirteen years of experience in education as a classroom teacher and faith formation leader at St. Pius X School in Urbandale.

Halligan will complete her Master of Educational Leadership degree from Creighton University this May, and earned her Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education from Buena Vista University. As a leader in Catholic education, she is devoted to promoting student learning and advancing individual potential. Specializing in supporting student growth and achievement through professional development, Halligan has employed innovative instructional strategies, continuing education, and data to yield positive student outcomes.

“Jodi exhibits a genuine passion for Catholic education, said Donna Bishop, Superintendent of Schools. “Her expertise in classroom instruction and professional development will enhance the already strong academic programs at St. Joseph School. We are both honored and blessed to welcome her to the St. Joseph leadership team.”

“As a school administrator, I believe it is imperative to foster positive and trusting relationships with staff, family and community members, said Halligan. “I’ve spent more than twenty years as a parishioner, parent, faith leader, and educator at the St. Pius X community. I look forward to bringing the same enthusiasm and passion to the St. Joseph School community.”

Halligan will assume her role as administrator of St. Joseph Catholic School on July 1, 2020.

The Diocese of Des Moines Catholic Schools includes 16 schools in 23 counties in central and southwest Iowa. Catholic schools in the Des Moines Diocese build Christ-centered, collaborative, inclusive partnerships with parents, students, and parishes to provide innovative academic excellence and inspirational faith formation for students.

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