

KENNEDY CATHOLIC FAMILY OF SCHOOLS

Kennedy Catholic Middle / High School

January 31, 2022

Dear Kennedy Catholic Students, Families, Faculty and Staff,

On behalf of the Principal Search Committee, it is my pleasure to announce that Mrs. Janet Halicki has been selected as the new Kennedy Catholic Middle School and High School Principal. The Shenango Valley Catholic School System Board of Directors and the Erie Diocese Catholic Schools Office have voiced their support for Mrs. Halicki's selection.

A professional educator for over two decades, and in pursuit of her doctoral degree in Educational Leadership, Mrs. Halicki brings with her a wealth of experience and a passion for learning. She impressed the committee with her enthusiasm and focus on leading by example. We are confident she will serve our school community with integrity, fairness, and consistency.

Mrs. Halicki will officially start on Monday, February 7, 2022. Please take a moment to read Mrs. Halicki's letter of introduction shared below.

Sincerely,

Melissa Joseph President



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Dear Kennedy Catholic Family,

It is with great excitement that I introduce myself to you as the new principal of Kennedy Catholic Middle/High School. I am honored to join this excellent school community. My official start date is Monday, February 7th. I have been blessed with an opportunity to work with dedicated staff and students and a supportive school community.

Although I am an educator, I am also the mother to seven children. I have been blessed with a large family. My eldest son Brett is 33, my quadruplets, Bryan, Brandon, Bradley, and Brianne, are 32, and Scott (29) and Tyler (27) are my two youngest. I am also a proud grandmother of three grandchildren. Owen is 8, Ben is 2, and Charlotte is 9 months. I am looking forward to introducing my family to the amazing staff and students at Kennedy Catholic Middle/High School.

The 2021-2022 school year will mark my 21st year in education. I have served as a teacher, math coach, and administrative instructional specialist in Youngstown City Schools for 18 years. I also have been a math specialist and virtual tutor with Carnegie Learning for the past three years as I worked with Pittsburgh Schools and Prince George County in Maryland. My educational background includes a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education from Youngstown State University, a Masters in Special Education from Concordia University, and a Masters in Administration with Principal Licensure K-12 from Concordia University. I am currently working toward my doctorate in Educational Leadership.

I firmly believe that every child can succeed and that the cooperation between home and school builds trust and self-esteem in students in order for them to reach their highest potential. I am devoted to continually exploring new ideas to meet the needs of all students and to interact with parents, staff, and community members more efficiently. Please remember that my door is always open to you and I sincerely welcome your input.

Sincerely, Janet Halicki