

Saint John the Evangelist School

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Dear St. John the Evangelist Families.

I am writing at this time to inform you that as of January 1, 2018, due my personal duties and the added responsibility of becoming a family caregiver, I will resign my duties as principal of St. John the Evangelist School.

All principal responsibilities will be assumed by Mrs. Marylou Iannone. It is with confidence and agreement with Father Anthony Smith that I turn over the reins of school administration to her. Mrs. Iannone is a dynamic leader and teacher and will lead our stellar faculty and staff as they continue to provide an excellent student experience which is the hallmark of our school.

I will continue my teaching responsibilities in the middle school until June 30, 2018. A teaching position will allow for greater flexibility in my schedule, but still allow me to teach, guide and interact with the students which is my greatest joy.

It has been an honor to serve St. John the Evangelist School for 16 years. Throughout that time, I have witnessed the school grow by leaps and bounds and now, under innovative leadership, our school's vitality will continue to soar. I remain committed to Catholic education and look forward to returning to the classroom. I find great joy and excitement in teaching, and will likely seek a Catholic high school teaching position for next September.

My prayers - as always - are for the continuation of a quality Catholic education for all students at St. John the Evangelist School and throughout the Archdiocese of Hartford.

Sincerely,

John J. Petto, Principal