



# DIOCESE OF MANCHESTER

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To: Trinity High School Parents

Dear Parents,

We wanted to provide you with an update on the status of the St. Joseph Regional Junior High School move to the Trinity Campus.

At the end of March, in letters to parents of St. Joseph and Trinity schools, we indicated we were evaluating the feasibility of bringing St. Joseph Regional Junior High School to an expanded Trinity High School campus, as part of a grades 7 – 12 model. We also reviewed this at a St. Joseph parent meeting on April 4<sup>th</sup> during which we indicated there would be an update in early May. Although no changes are planned for St. Joseph for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year and no final decision has been made, we are carefully considering a possible move to the Trinity campus:

- We have concluded that a move to the Trinity campus could provide significant benefits to our students. Most importantly, it could give them access to the wide array of academic and extracurricular offerings at Trinity, including robust STEM, art, music and theatre programs. It could also help support a much smoother matriculation into high school.
- Although no decision has been reached, we are beginning to evaluate options for accommodating the junior high at Trinity. These include renovation of the current buildings and/or adding new space (e.g., a junior high wing) to the campus. To allow our junior high students the ability to grow and mature as their own community, the design would provide a separate learning environment for them.
- Given the planning, construction and fundraising that would be needed, any move cannot likely take place before the 2020-2021 school year.
- In view of the magnitude of this initiative, it is important that we engage the community and the advisory boards of both schools. In the coming months, we will form a steering committee of parents and community members to help guide the decision and direction of this very important project.

The Catholic School Vision 2020 (CSV2020) focuses on building matriculation and creating a robust Manchester system of Catholic schools. Our commitment to St. Joseph Junior High and Trinity High School is paramount in this vision. As these and other developments from the CSV2020 plan occur, we will keep you updated.

Thank you for your continued commitment to Catholic education in Manchester. We hope that you will join us as we work together to bring CSV2020 to fruition.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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