

June 10, 2020

Dear St. Francis de Sales Community,

It is with tremendous excitement that I introduce myself as the incoming principal of St. Francis de Sales Catholic School. I am honored and humbled to have been chosen by the selection committee to serve your community in this leadership role. Having been an educator for over 20 years, I have experience teaching students from Pre K 4 through 8th grade in both public and private schools, as well as professional development for adults. Most recently, I designed and implemented a STREAM (science, technology, religion, engineering, art and math) program at St. Laurence Catholic School which gave students the opportunity to translate the excellent work they were doing in the classroom into hands-on activities and preparing them to be problem-solvers and critical thinkers. I've completed a master's level educational leadership program, as well as the Principal Formation Program through the Catholic Schools Office, and I am thrilled to be leading the charge in the next phase at St. Francis de Sales Catholic School.

I look forward to getting to know your children, their personalities, learning styles, and interests, and I especially look forward to sharing my enthusiasm for education with them. Getting to know the adults in the community is important to me as well, as I believe the trinity of the teacher, parent and child is significant in the development of the body, mind, and spirit. As they say, "We're in this together" and "Many hands make light work" and, as you have learned during this pandemic, educating children is hard work. Speaking of the pandemic, we are planning for school to open in August as scheduled. We are also preparing to expand upon and improve alternative methods of instruction that may be required at some time, however, face-to-face Catholic school instruction is optimal and we will do everything within reason to make this happen. My goal is to ensure that all children are healthy, happy, and safe.

On a personal note, I am married to my best friend, and we will be empty nesters for the first time beginning in August. My son is a music education major, and my daughter will be starting her first semester in college. Where does the time go?

Thank you for this opportunity to be the principal at St. Francis de Sales Catholic School. I have already been meeting with faculty and staff to learn the nuances and traditions of the school. The summer hours at the school are 9am - 2pm Monday through Thursday and I officially begin July 1st. I encourage all families to consider the benefits of a Catholic education for their children: faith-based rigorous academics, small class size with personalized instruction, and superior teaching platforms, just to name a few. It is also a wonderful opportunity to become more involved with the St. Francis de Sales community. Please feel free to stop by with questions, a tour, or just to say hello. I am also available through email at [quatrinia@sfdsschool.org](mailto:quatrinia@sfdsschool.org) and would love to hear from you.

I look forward to meeting you soon.

Peace be with you,  
Anne Marie Quatrini

