

February 4, 2010

Dear Members of the Queen of Peace Community,

After contributing to the growth and enrichment of the Queen of Peace High School community for a total of 23 years, including the past four years as President / Principal, Dr. Kathleen Hanlon has announced her resignation, effective June 30, 2010.

The Queen of Peace Board and Dominican Sisters of Sinsinawa wish to express our deep gratitude for Kathy's years of service, her vision and professional leadership, her wisdom and dedication to the mission of Queen of Peace. Her legacy and commitment to academic excellence will live on through the integrated technology programs, expansion of the arts including the "Arts without Borders", support for the Infinity program and FIRST robotics competitions, interdisciplinary and integrated learning programs and strengthened academic requirements as well as increasing student/teacher contact time.

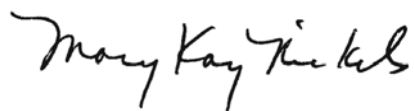
The Queen of Peace Board has hired Trinity Executive Partnership to host a nationwide search for our new President supporting a seamless transition to new leadership. Trinity Executive Partnership offers experience and resources to orchestrate a broad range presidential search and they have a depth and breathe of knowledge and experiences with educational institutions throughout the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Over the six months, many in the Queen of Peace community: parents, students, alums, faculty, staff, board and other community members and friends, participated in the strategic planning process entitled: "Creating the Vision". This process set the stage for creation of action plans designed to strengthening all future endeavors and guides the investment of financial and human resources.

One avenue explored included a review of administrative leadership models that are employed in various Catholic, educational communities; this study has resulted in our decision to seek two distinctly different administrative leaders. We will first seek to hire a president and then the president will initiate a search for the next principal of Queen of Peace. "Creating the Vision" document will be a tremendous asset in our search for the right persons to implement our plans which continued to be guided by our constituent's affirmation of the unique mission, values and vision of Queen of Peace High School.

I know that it is with great humility, pride and confidence that together we shepherd Queen of Peace High School into the future and extended our appreciation to Dr. Hanlon for her service and dedicated leadership. We wish her well in her future endeavors and keep her in our Queen of Peace prayers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Kay Nickels". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mary Kay Nickels, Queen of Peace Board Chair