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Dear Families,

Happy new year! This month we prepare to celebrate our schools and Catholic schools across our nation with Catholic Schools Week. Catholic identity is our core and Christ continues to be our foundation. Our Lumen Christi Academies will build upon our Catholic school traditions of excellence with some exciting innovations to strengthen and sustain our schools. While our Lumen Christi Academy teams have continued to work on their preparations and transition to our new network, we write this month to celebrate one of the most important strengths of our schools - our faculty, staff, and leaders.

Throughout the years, our schools have been successful not because of any particular program, but because of the people who make our schools places of love and learning. These gifted educators see teaching as their vocation and have responded to the call with a “yes” to our children and families. They have shared countless hours to help our children learn, grow, and develop the gifts that God has given them. They have planted seeds of faith, knowledge, and creativity.

Our faculty, staff, and leaders are honored to support your family and give your children the best education possible. We are so excited about how our future work in Lumen Christi Academies can help our schools grow together and deepen our continuous pursuit of excellence.

Thank you again for entrusting us with your children and being our partners in education. We know that through our collaborative efforts, our children will grow into faith-filled, creative, bright young people who will illuminate a more just and joyful future for us all. We thank you for joining us on this journey!

Sincerely,

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To know Christ better and make Him better known