

PROVIDENCE

September 30, 2021

Office of the President

To the Providence Community,

This afternoon Dr. Mindy Ernstberger announced her retirement as principal of Our Lady's school to the Faculty and Staff and to the Providence Community.

Mindy and I have often spent time reflecting together on how special Providence is. In her letter to the Providence community she reflected on the fact that of the 44 years she has worked in Catholic education, 30 have been spent here on Our Lady's campus. As an alumna of Providence, Mindy's service to Our Lady's school is truly the embodiment of "Blue Pride". Her leadership has been invaluable over the years and it will be missed.

As a colleague, I thank Mindy for her support and assistance over the previous 14 months in my new role as the President. Providence would not have navigated the pandemic academically without her leadership. As a former student, I thank her for her insights in the English/Literature classroom as they were moments that led to my selection of my undergraduate degree in English at Bellarmine University.

Mindy, we wish you all the best in your retirement. May you and Jerry enjoy many trips together here at home, abroad in Ireland, and beyond. Our thanks to Jerry, Jonathan, and Leah for selflessly sharing Mindy with Providence over the years. The gift of servant leadership is not given without sacrificing together as a family.

In closing, I offer Mindy this traditional Irish blessing. Let us lift Mindy in prayer asking that Our Lady bless her family in the next chapter of their journey.

May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
the rains fall soft upon your fields
and until we meet again,
may God hold you in the palm of His hand.

In Christ,



Victor S. Beeler '94

President