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Dear Royal Families,

We are excited to announce several new additions to our High School team. These professionals will greatly enhance our ability to support our students' academic, emotional, and social well-being, as well as enrich our educational programs.

New Guidance Counselor: Mrs. Poma We are pleased to welcome Mrs. Poma as our new Guidance Counselor. She joins us as Mrs. Neligon has transitioned to the Middle School. Mrs. Poma brings a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to her role, and we are confident she will be an invaluable resource for our students as they navigate their high school years and prepare for their futures.

New School Psychologist: Ms. Damm We are equally delighted to introduce Ms. Damm as our new School Psychologist, taking over from Mrs. Wendel who has also transitioned to our Middle School. Ms. Damm's expertise will be crucial in providing emotional, social, and academic support to all students to help them thrive at their full potential. Ms. Damm encourages all parents to reach out to her with good news, concerns or questions.

New Music Department Member: Mr. Joseph Albano We are thrilled to welcome Mr. Joseph Albano to our Music Department. Mr. Albano's passion for music education will undoubtedly inspire our students and enhance our music programs.

New Art Department Member: Ms. Megan Brady We are excited to have Ms. Megan Brady join our Art Department. Her creative expertise will be a valuable asset in nurturing our students' artistic talents and expanding their creative horizons.

New English Department Member: Ms. Kaitlyn McNulty We are pleased to introduce Ms. Kaitlyn McNulty as the newest member of our English Department. Her dedication to literature and language arts will help foster a love of reading and writing among our students.

New Latin Program Member: Ms. Anne Algieri We are delighted to welcome back Ms. Anne Algieri to our Latin program. Her expertise in classical languages will enrich our curriculum and inspire students to explore the foundations of Western language and culture.

All of our new staff members are eager to meet and work with our students, parents, and fellow staff. Contact Information:

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Thank you

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