

Christian Brothers High School Announces New President



Christian Brothers High School is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Crystal LeRoy as President, effective July 1, 2020. Dr. LeRoy, who will be the fifth president in school history, takes over for Lorcan Barnes who announced in July of 2019 that the 2019-20 school year would be his final year of service to the school. She brings considerable experience as an educator and administrator to the role, currently serving as Superintendent/Chief School Business Official of Kenilworth Public Schools in Kenilworth, Illinois and adjunct professor at Northeastern Illinois University. She holds a bachelor's degree in international relations from Northwestern University and attained her master's degree in cultural education and policy studies from Loyola University. She later earned her school business official certification from Northern Illinois University before earning her doctorate in educational administration and supervision from Loyola University.

This news is the culmination of a thoughtful and thorough process that began with the formation of a Presidential Search Committee in September and securing the services of an executive search firm later in the fall. Following an extensive nationwide search and in-depth review of applications, 18 candidates were identified and interviewed. Seven men and women advanced to a more extensive interview after which three finalists were identified. The three finalists were invited to meet with members of the community including parents, faculty and staff members, alumni and other stakeholders. The Board of Trustees then conducted an extensive interview with the candidates and concluded that Dr. LeRoy will best serve the community.

"I am deeply honored and profoundly humbled to be invited to serve as President of Christian Brothers High School," says Dr. LeRoy. "The opportunity to unite my Catholic faith with my vocation as an educator is a dream come true. To do so in the rich and transformative Lasallian charism of the Christian Brothers is a blessing and a trust that I hold sacred. I so look forward to working with the wonderful faculty, staff, families, alumni and friends of the school to ensure that CB continues to be a strong, vibrant and faith-filled community for generations to come."

"Dr. LeRoy is a faith-filled and visionary leader," says Board of Trustees President Steve Mahaney '69. "We look forward to partnering with her as she leads the school in living the tenets of our Lasallian Core Principles - faith in the presence of God, quality education, inclusive community, respect for all persons, and concern for the poor and social justice."

Christian Brothers is looking forward to sharing more information about Dr. LeRoy in the future.