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Bergen Catholic High School Appoints New Vice President of Advancement

ORADELL, **NJ**, **August 24**, **2023** – Bergen Catholic High School is pleased to welcome Karen DiMaria as Vice President of Advancement. Ms. DiMaria joined the school on July 1, 2023, following an exceptional career at institutions of higher education and regional nonprofits.

"We are thrilled to have a new Vice President of Karen DiMaria's caliber join our senior leadership team," Bergen Catholic President Dr. Brian Mahoney said. "She will continue to elevate the profile and high standards we have set for ourselves and the Advancement office."

Ms. DiMaria has held leadership positions including Vice President for University Advancement at Centenary University, and Sussex County Community College, Senior Leadership Gift Officer at Drew University, and Executive Director of both Gilda's Club and Felician University. Ms. DiMaria brings to Bergen Catholic a wealth of experience in major gifts, campaigns, alumni/parent relations, and grant-seeking.

Her record of success is outstanding, as exemplified by raising significant operating funds, grants, and endowment gifts for the institutions she has served. Additionally, she is an adjunct instructor at the County College of Morris, where she teaches courses in Workforce Development and Not for Profit Finance. Karen obtained her bachelor's degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University and her MBA from Felician University.

Bergen Catholic has been solidifying its strategic priorities and recently engaged in a campus master planning process. Ms. DiMaria's arrival comes at a time when it will be critically important to engage donors, alumni, parents, and friends of the school.

"I am excited about the many opportunities ahead at Bergen Catholic," Ms. DiMaria said. "With an eye toward the school's next major campaign, I am working closely with leadership to engage alumni and articulate the incredible impact that philanthropy will have on our ability to deliver first-rate educational, athletic, and extracurricular programs as well as upgrade and sustain our treasured campus."

Bergen Catholic High School is a diverse Catholic community that prepares young men to become dynamic global leaders by deepening religious faith, developing academic excellence, and strengthening social consciousness and responsibility in accordance with the Essential Elements of an Edmund Rice Christian Brother Education.

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