Dear Family & Friends of Annunciation,

It is said that time flies when you're having fun. Well, we must be having a great deal of fun at Annunciation because, somehow, here we are – eleven years old! It is hard to believe it has been eleven years since that memorable summer when a handful of dedicated, faithful parents helped Father Dennis and me bring this school into being. The tiny seed that was planted has grown tremendously in size and mission.

Our twelfth year begin a little unconventionally due to the COVID restrictions. After three weeks of distance learning, we happily welcomed our students back to the campus. Our current enrollment of 228 puts us at capacity – a far cry from the 23 students with whom we opened the school in 2009!

This will be another milestone year for Annunciation as our campus building project is well underway. The new school buildings are close to completion with a hoped-for move-in date sometime in December. This year's 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will be the first to graduate from the new building. In addition to the two classroom buildings, the campus project includes new outdoor athletic and play areas and a beautiful permanent church and courtyard. The church is expected to be complete in the fall of 2021.

It is amazing to reflect on how far we have come in our first decade. From the moment of its inception it has been abundantly clear that God willed this school into being. Through His continued Grace, Annunciation has overcome many challenges and obstacles, and has become a successful and thriving school. It also took the time, talent, and treasure of many people to bring this school to where it is today and ensure a strong tomorrow. We are grateful for the many angels among us whose faith, service, financial support, and prayers have helped us become the school God wants us to be.

Blessings to you all!

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