

April 8, 1969

Mr. Robert D. Johnston
Assistant Headmaster
Kiski School
Saltsburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Johnston:

We have received the news of your appointment as new Headmaster of Durham Academy and are pleased to welcome you to our school. We are particularly cheered by the ambitious goals and aspirations you have projected for the school and are gratified that you will address your administration to the fulfillment of these aims.

Your interest in Negro students was most encouraging and, as concerned Negro parents, we are deeply interested in joining your efforts and working with you to implement the kind of program at Durham Academy that will serve the needs and fulfill the academic aspirations of all the students. We share your views that the potential for such a cooperative endeavor is here and are heartened that you have expressed an interest in tapping this valuable resource. We pledge you our enthusiastic support and offer you our services in helping to achieve the high ideals you have envisioned for the school.

Again, we welcome you to Durham Academy and wish for you a very successful and productive administration. Your appointment inspires vigor and confidence and we believe augurs well for the future of our school.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. & Mrs. Preston Kennedy
Mr. & Mrs. John H. Timberlake
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Bryant
Mr. & Mrs. Tabe J. Barkdale
Mr. and Mrs. Albert P. Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. A. V. Allison, Jr.
Dr. & Mrs. H. C. Bowser
Prof. & Mrs. Russell Adams