



# DOMINICAN ACADEMY

*Catholic College Preparatory School for Girls*

January 21, 2021

My dear Students,

I send warm greetings to each of you this day. I miss not seeing you at D.A. It is not the same here without you.

This past year has been challenging I know, but I want to applaud your resilience, hard work and cooperation. I am proud of the way you have confronted adversity and risen above, all the while supporting each other and keeping joy in your hearts. What an example you have set for us all!

I want to share with you some news about our school. Of course, I would rather do this in person but that is not possible just now. At the end of this school year, I will have concluded six years as the first President of our school. While I originally planned to leave this June at the end of this school year, the pandemic happened. It did not seem right to leave in the middle of such chaos. I thought immediately of you and the need for stability during this crisis. As such, after discussion with the Board, I have committed to staying at D.A. for an additional school year until June of 2022. This extension will help maintain harmony and cohesion during a tumultuous time and ensure a smooth transition for D.A.'s next President.

It has been one of my greatest joys to watch you grow and take your place in this world. I look forward to continuing this journey with you while we seek new leadership. I thank you and assure you that I will carry you in my heart and prayers now and always.

With gratitude galore,

Sr. Margaret Ormond, O.P., '60  
*President*