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Michael F. Baber

Michael F. Baber has been appointed the inaugural President of Sacred Heart Greenwich, effective July 1, 2022. Previously, Mr. Baber was appointed Head of School at Villa Duchesne and Oak Hill School in July of 2016. At the time of his appointment, he was serving as the Interim Head of School at Schools of the Sacred Heart, Grand Coteau, Louisiana, the oldest continuously operating Sacred Heart school in the world.

While at Villa Duchesne and Oak Hill School, Mr. Baber lead efforts to advance best practices and good governance; unified the parent body and the student community as an expression of the virtue of Cor Unum; strengthened curriculum; increased enrollment; achieved record-setting philanthropy and closed the multi-million dollar Honoring our Legacy fundraising initiative; introduced an innovative tuition model; and launched a successful strategic planning effort. His work set the school on a path to excellence and solidified Villa Duchesne's reputation as a premiere Sacred Heart school in St. Louis and nationwide.

Mr. Baber has over two decades of experience in Sacred Heart education. Previously, he served as Assistant Head of School and Director of Advancement at Convent of the Sacred Heart in Greenwich, Connecticut. He first joined Sacred Heart, Greenwich as an Upper School Theology teacher in 2000. He was appointed Department Chair in 2001 and lead the Theology, Campus Ministry, and Community Service departments until 2003 when he was appointed Assistant Head of School.

With a Masters degree in Teaching and Administration, in 2005, Mr. Baber was awarded an Edward E. Ford Fellowship for Aspiring Heads of School, one of 70 winners from 24 states. This prestigious fellowship supports the professional development of exceptional and qualified individuals who demonstrate excellence in leadership.

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Mr. Baber has been active in the advancement of Sacred Heart education nationwide and closely connected to the Society of the Sacred Heart for many years. During his time at Sacred Heart, Greenwich, Mr. Baber was appointed by the Provincial of the Society of the Sacred Heart to serve on the Sacred Heart Commission on Goals (SHCOG). He served with SHCOG for six years. More recently, Mr. Baber was elected to serve on the Sacred Heart Network Board. He was appointed a Provincial Delegate and is currently serving as a trustee at Schools of the Sacred Heart, Sheridan Road, Chicago.

Mr. Baber received a B.A. in Philosophy from St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Overbook, Pennsylvania in 1988 and a Master's degree from Sacred Heart University in 2001. He was an instructor at Sacred Heart University and the Director of Education at St. Francis of Assisi Parish in Weston, Connecticut.

Mr. Baber has devoted his entire professional career to Catholic education and has distinguished himself as a successful leader in education, curriculum external affairs, strategic planning, and advancement. He has vast professional and personal experience in independent, Sacred Heart schools and is dedicated to advancing the Sacred Heart Mission. He and his wife Lauren (Major) Baber Greenwich '79 have two children, Allison (age 27) and Patrick (age 24).