

November 6, 2025

Dear Academy Community:

We hope this letter finds you well. In the Spring of 2025, we introduced Mr. Dan Faas as our new Head of School, commencing with the 2026-2027 academic year. We are deep into the process of planning for Mr. Faas' transition into the Academy Community as our next Head of School, and are excited to provide the community with an update regarding the transition process.

Similar to the search process conducted last year, we have formed a committee of Trustees, representatives of the administration and the parent body who share a love for the Academy to lead the Community during this year of transition. Those members are listed below. This committee is united in its shared commitment to the Academy and preserving its academic, spiritual and ethical foundation that is the legacy of its founders. The committee looks forward to welcoming and integrating Mr. Faas and his family into the Academy, while also celebrating Ms. Coombs and the legacy she leaves at AOSJ.

Over the course of the next few months, community members will have the opportunity to spend time with Mr. Faas as the process accelerates. Mr. Faas will join us for multiple visits over the course of the academic year. We will soon share a schedule of opportunities that students, faculty and staff and families will have to engage with Dan, including for our Thankful Gathering on **Monday, November 24** and **Tuesday, November 25**. Additional visits will be scheduled for 2026 and announced at a later date.

Finally, as we welcome our next Head of School, we also look forward to honoring and celebrating Ms. Coombs for her 19 years of leadership and steadfast service to the Academy. We will separately provide additional information at a later date about how we will gather together as a community to celebrate her tenure.

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We are at an exciting moment in the history of the Academy of St. Joseph. As we continue this important Head of School transition process, we look forward to sharing with you the many opportunities to become involved and to express heartfelt thanks for Ms. Coombs' energy, vision, and leadership of the Academy since its founding.

Sincerely,



David Sylofski
Chair, Board of Trustees

AOSJ Transition Committee:

David Sylofski, Chair, Board of Trustees, P'24, P'26, P'29

Stephanie Hackett, Treasurer, Board of Trustees

Kathleen Cunningham Mulvihill, Vice Chair, Board of Trustees, P'22

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Daniel Faas, Incoming Head of School

Elizabeth DiBlasi, Assistant Head of School

Amal Sidani, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Cathy David, Chair, Parent Association