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Members of the Albany Academy Community,

It is with deep gratitude and tremendous excitement that I write to you as the next Head of School at Albany Academy. I am honored and humbled by the invitation to join this community and energized by the opportunities ahead.

I would like to offer sincere thanks to the Board of Trustees and the Search Committee for their confidence and trust, as well as earnest appreciation to everyone involved in the search process for their engagement. From my earliest conversations through my recent visit, I felt not only warmly welcomed by everyone I met, but also sensed their love for the school. I want to extend special thanks to Chris Lauricella for his hospitality and generosity during my time on campus.

Everything I have absorbed throughout the search confirmed for me that Academy stands at a defining moment:shaped by proud histories becoming one, guided by a compelling mission, and strengthened by a loyal community eager to move forward with purpose. As someone who has spent most of his life in independent schools and dedicated his career to serving them, this is invigorating.

As you know well, Academy is truly one of a kind in the Capital Region. The collective work of Chris, the Board, the faculty and staff, and most importantly—the students—supported by devoted families along with alumnae and alumni, has positioned the school for an exciting next chapter. In an increasingly complex world, the need has never been greater for diligent students of high character—curious, critical thinkers, and confident leaders ready to shape the future.

Academy is ready to deliver, and I am inspired to help lead the way. I cannot wait to get started.

Thank you again for the warm welcome. I look forward to meeting you soon and to the important work we will do together.

With gratitude and anticipation,

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