



CRISTO REY DE LA SALLE

EAST BAY HIGH SCHOOL

ST. ELIZABETH CAMPUS

February 1, 2019

Dear De La Salle Cristo Rey Community:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I am pleased to announce long time Lasallian education leader Mr. Matt Powell as Interim President at Cristo Rey De La Salle East Bay High School, effective immediately. Along with the De La Salle Christian Brothers, the Board expresses its gratitude to Founding President Mike Anderer, whose vision for the school throughout these initial years has laid a foundation for continued success. His and Matt's collaboration, together with the school's Leadership Team, will ensure a smooth and effective transition.

Matt currently is on leave from his role as Executive Director of the Lasallian Christian Brothers Foundation (LCBF), which he joined in 2014 following a 14-year term as founding Principal and then President of De La Salle North Catholic High School in Portland, OR. Previously, he was a teacher and administrator at La Salle Catholic College Preparatory in Milwaukie, OR. Matt also has served as Interim President at San Miguel High School in Tucson, AZ (a Cristo Rey School), along with a return as Interim President to De La Salle North Catholic High School. In addition, he was a member of the Board of the Cristo Rey Network for eight years. Matt is honored to serve in the role of Interim President at Cristo Rey De La Salle until the Permanent President assumes the position. The Board will commence a search for the next President immediately.

Brother Donald Johanson, FSC, Visitor of the District of San Francisco New Orleans (SFNO), affirmed the continuing commitment of the De La Salle Christian Brothers, stating: "I look forward to Matt Powell's leadership and am grateful to Mike Anderer for his long-standing service to our schools in Camden, Chicago, San Francisco and here in the East Bay. We remain dedicated to providing a long history of Lasallian Catholic, college preparatory education to the young women and men at Cristo Rey De La Salle East Bay High School."

The Most Reverend Michael C. Barber, SJ, Bishop of Oakland, also expressed his support. "I am proud," he said, "of the progress thus far with the students at the newest school in the Diocese, and especially with the refurbishment of the school campus. Continuing the education of the students of Cristo Rey De La Salle and the welfare of their families remain our utmost concern and top priority. With my full support, Cristo Rey De La Salle will continue its focused efforts on admissions, corporate partners and fund development as we prepare to welcome the Class of 2023 this summer."

The Board of Trustees is sincerely confident in the strength of the mission of Cristo Rey De La Salle, the leadership of the trustees, the partnership with benefactors and corporate partners, and, most importantly, the commitment of the faculty, staff, and administration of Cristo Rey De La Salle. The De La Salle Christian Brothers, in partnership with the Oakland Diocese and the broader corporate community, remain dedicated to the students, families and staff of Cristo Rey De La Salle East Bay and look forward to the school's future successes.

Sincerely,

William Rauch, Chairperson

