



La Salle
COLLEGE PREPARATORY

Dear La Salle Family,

We are pleased to announce that the Board of Trustees has approved the appointment of Perry Martin as the new President of La Salle College Preparatory, effective July 1, 2020.

Perry is extremely honored for the opportunity to become our next President. A deeply spiritual individual whose life is guided by his faith, he is a committed Catholic educator and visionary leader who can bring new ideas to La Salle while respecting La Salle's outstanding foundation and legacy.

Perry comes to La Salle College Preparatory from Maryknoll Schools, a K-12 Catholic school in Honolulu, HI, where he has served as President since 2008. As President of Maryknoll, Perry has been responsible for strategic planning and master planning, major fundraising, increasing and developing large cash reserves and endowment to build a lasting legacy for Maryknoll's future. In addition, he developed strong programs, admissions processes, enrollment management strategies and growth, and retention initiatives to ensure sustainability in a highly competitive market. He worked collaboratively with his leadership team to design and implement initiatives to ensure students receive cutting edge academic and co-curricular programs leading to an outstanding Catholic education, truly preparing them for their future. In all of his work, Perry has taken a creative and entrepreneurial approach to addressing the challenges schools face in today's world.

Perry is described as a relationship-driven individual who is mission centered with a passion for Catholic education. All references emphasized his strength as a leader. He clearly embraced the charism of the Maryknoll Sisters and worked to solidify their legacy. Perry is also a student-centered leader who wants students to understand their own spiritual journey as well as value service as a way of living their own faith and mission of the school. The question Perry uses to drive his work is: "Have WE, as a community, given OUR students everything WE can to ensure their success?"

Throughout his career, Perry has served in a variety of positions both at the elementary and high school levels. He began his teaching career in Saudi Arabia working as a teacher and dean for 14 years. Upon returning to the United States, he transitioned into Catholic education, first, as principal of Sacred Heart Catholic School in Medford, Oregon, then as Principal/President of Marist High School in Eugene, Oregon, and, now, President of Maryknoll Schools in Honolulu. Perry holds a B.S in Elementary Education/Technology Education and a M.S. in Elementary and Middle School Administration from Western Oregon University. He also has a Post Masters Elementary and Secondary Certificate in K-12 Administration from the College of New Jersey. Perry's wife, Leann, is also an educator graduating with a degree from the University of Oregon. They are the proud parents of Jameson, an internet sales manager and graduate of Western Oregon State University, and Casandra, an interior designer with a degree from The Art Institute of Portland.

Perry embraces our Lasallian charism, mission, and core values. He is very eager to begin working with all constituents of the La Salle College Preparatory community to build on the school's extraordinary heritage and aspirations for the future.

President Martin said, "It is my distinct honor and privilege to be selected as the third successive President at La Salle College Preparatory. Assuming the leadership of this great school comes with great responsibility, and I am very humbled. Leadership transitions are important "people" events in the life of the school, where I intend to validate the emotions, intelligence, values, and ideas of all constituents, understanding that diverse thought and collaboration make teams stronger. What's most important to me is the spiritual, collegial, and interpersonal connections that I intend to develop. I will focus on developing faith, teamwork, transparency, collaboration, and accountability fulfilling the school mission of nurturing the talents of each student, inspiring in

students a sense of responsibility for others, challenging students to embrace diversity, and motivating our students to respond compassionately to the needs of others, especially the poor. I look forward to meeting you and the entire school community looking more broadly, listening to more voices, and creating educational opportunities and support from the many points of view. Thank you for your prayers. I hope each of you will find time to meet with me and introduce yourself. God bless you all.”

The most important responsibility of a Board of Trustees is the selection and hiring of the President. We are thankful to all who assisted in this process, especially the Search Committee, faculty, administrative staff, students, parents, alumni, Board of Trustees, Board of Regents, and the De La Salle Christian Brothers for their insight and support.

The Board of Trustees especially thanks and acknowledges Pat Bonacci, AFSC, who is doing an outstanding job as Acting President of La Salle College Preparatory. Pat will continue to serve in this role through June 2020.

It has been our honor to serve as co-chairs of the Search Committee during this pivotal moment in La Salle’s history. We are very pleased to welcome Perry and his wife, Leann, to this incredible and special community. Thank you for your ongoing involvement, support, and prayers for La Salle College Preparatory, especially for Perry Martin, as he undertakes his new leadership role.

Most Sincerely,
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