

Catholic Secondary School Administrators

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Dear Students and Parents of Our Lady of Mercy Academy,

Our Lady of Mercy has been a pillar in Catholic Education for 95 years and it is saddening to all of us in Catholic Education on Long Island that OLMA will be closing their doors. The Sisters of Mercy, along with many dedicated lay administrators, faculty, and staff, have provided an academically challenging program in a faith-based community that has developed thousands of young women throughout the decades. We commend them for their efforts.

This is certainly a very challenging time for families, so be assured that your daughters will be welcomed with open arms to the other Catholic High Schools on Long Island. **Collectively, we have committed to ensure that every student from OLMA that wishes to continue their education at one of our schools will have the opportunity to do so.**

We know many parents have many questions now about what comes next in their daughter's high school journey. As Catholic educators, we strongly believe that your daughters will be best served by completing this year at Our Lady of Mercy Academy. Appreciate the beautiful campus this winter and spring, be a part of the last Dots vs. Stripes, gather with your Mercy Sisters at Masses and celebration of our faith, cherish every moment of this year with classmates and teachers.

There will be ample opportunities for you to connect with each of the other Catholic High Schools on Long Island to determine which school will be the best fit moving forward. OLMA will be hosting a High School Information Night in February and all of our schools offer the opportunity for students to spend a day in our buildings as a "shadow." Our admissions offices are also ready to answer any specific questions you may have.

May all the members of the Our Lady of Mercy Community continue to feel God's ever-loving presence in their school and know of the prayers of all our school communities.

With prayerful support,

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