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Dear Mercy Alumni:

I am truly humbled and honored at the chance to serve with you as the next Principal of Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School. There are exciting times ahead for us all. Since moving to Fayetteville last month from Texas, I have learned a great deal about Mercy and continue to learn more each and every day. I am amazed at the accomplishments of the **952** Mercy graduates around the world and look forward to meeting many of you. You have made Mercy proud and we want to continue to be part of your life journey.

Please consider this your “personal” invitation to come by your school and give us the opportunity to show you how God continues to bless us with great teachers, a beautiful facility and outstanding students like each of you were when you attended the school. *This is your home and we want you to feel welcome.*

In all of Mercy’s programs, and in all we accomplish as a community, each of you plays an extraordinary part. I can assure you we are going to build upon this solid community which was started in 2000, where students are offered premier academic preparation as they learn about Catholic values and tradition.

Although I am unable to highlight all of you in this brief letter, I want to personally thank the following alumni for serving our school community: **Ryan Schilling ’05** is starting his 4th year as our full-time Physics teacher and cross country coach. **Tam C. Pham ’10** and **Tam T. Pham ’10** are starting their 3rd year as Mercy volleyball and soccer coaches. **Nagjee Gatson ’10** is joining us this year as a basketball coach and **Jillian Speck ’13** will be our part-time Media Specialist.

I invite all of you to remain invested and involved in our school, Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School. Two fall dates to mark on your calendar are Friday, September 22nd (Homecoming Football game) and Saturday, November 4th (7th annual Bountiful Harvest Gala and Auction).

As I close, I ask you to pray for me, the faculty and staff, students and families, and your fellow classmates. We are all forever linked through Mercy.

God Bless,

Bill Dooley
Principal