

Dear Visitation Parishioner,

Dr. Chris Dransoff, Principal of Visitation Catholic School for the past five years, has announced his intention to retire at the conclusion of the 2017-18 school year. Dr. Chris has been a true gift from God to our school and parish, and has served our community faithfully. We wish him the blessings of Christ in all future endeavors.

To ensure a smooth leadership transition, the Diocese of Joliet Catholic Schools Office is working closely with the Visitation Catholic School Principal Search Committee and me to find an excellent candidate who will serve as the next distinguished leader of our school. I respectfully request your involvement in this important process.

The first critical aspect of the principal search involves eliciting the ideas of faculty and staff members, parents, and parishioners regarding leadership qualities that are necessary to meet the present and future needs of Visitation Catholic School. To accomplish this task, the Catholic Schools Office has designed an online community survey instrument. The results of this survey will be studied intently by the Search Committee and will be compiled to create a *Principal Profile* that will inform the design of first and second-round interview protocols.

You are an important member of our parish family. I encourage you to share your thoughts regarding desired principal attributes by completing this online survey instrument that may be directly accessed by clicking on the link below:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Visitation2018>

Responding to the survey will require ten - twelve minutes of your time, and the tool will be posted through midnight on **Friday, January 12, 2018**. Thank you in advance for your active participation in assisting me in discerning the next spiritual and instructional leader of Visitation Catholic School.

Yours in Christ,

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