

DEPARTMENT OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Mary McKeever Saint Philip School 665 Elizabeth St. San Francisco, CA 94114

June 14, 2021

Dear Mary,

On behalf of the Archdiocese of San Francisco's Department of Catholic Schools I would like to express my sincere appreciation on the outstanding job you have done in leading St. Philip School during this most difficult and unprecedented school year. This year was extremely challenging for any school leader, and the fact that you were only in your third year of leadership makes your accomplishments even more commendable. Putting your own summer plans aside, you worked tireless to create your school's Infection Mitigation Plan, which met all CDC, State and County guidelines and requirements. When the public schools around you were months away from welcoming their staff and students back to their school buildings, you moved forward with submitting your reopening plans to the County for approval, even amidst pushback from some of your staff. When you were granted approval to reopen, you did so with faith, positivity and grace. You were a role model for the community you serve during a time when your school families, students and faculty needed someone to guide them through the fear and uncertainly of living during a pandemic.

Owing to your impeccable leadership during the 20/21 school year, this formal Letter of Commendation will be kept in your personnel file at the Archdiocese of San Francisco's Chancery offices as a permanent record of your outstanding work. It has been my true privilege to work with you these past four years, and I look forward to working with you for many years to come.

Yours in Christ,

Pamela Lyons

Superintendent of Schools

CC: Fr. Mario Farana