



# SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL

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*Saint Joseph School is a Catholic learning community devoted to the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary and dedicated to providing a quality spiritual and academic education based on faith, values, and excellence that meets the needs of our students and their families.*

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Dear St. Joseph School Community:

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Heidi Kuliga as the new principal of St. Joseph School. Mrs. Kuliga is well known to the New Bedford Catholic school community as a former principal and teacher within the Diocese of Fall River.

Most recently, Heidi worked as the Community Business Director for Atria Senior Living in Fairhaven. Previously, Heidi lived in California where she was the principal at Sacred Heart Catholic School, a Pre-K to grade 8 Catholic school in the relatively rural and diverse community of Patterson, CA.

Prior to moving to California, Mrs. Kuliga was the vice principal at All Saints Catholic School in New Bedford, where she was the lead administrator for the middle school annex building, mentored PACT teachers, trained school ambassadors, and provided guidance and support for middle school students. Mrs. Kuliga was also the principal at Espirito Santo Parochial School in Fall River.

Heidi began her teaching career as a teacher at Holy Family Holy Name School in New Bedford, teaching multiple subjects at many grade levels from preschool to grade 8, as well as acting as the extended care coordinator.

Heidi Kuliga has a Master's Degree in Education Leadership from the American International College. She received her undergraduate degree in Early Childhood Education from Bridgewater State College. She will officially begin her new role as of August 1, 2023.

Heidi and her husband, Bob, have three adult children and are active members of the Sacred Heart Of Jesus Parish. They reside in New Bedford, MA.

Please join me in welcoming Mrs. Kuliga to the St. Joseph School community!

Sincerely,

Fr. Stephen Banjare, ss, cc.



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