



Diocese of Charlotte

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Dear MACS Parents, Teachers and Staff Members,

At the MACS Elementary Band Concert two weeks ago, I recalled that my first concert was seven years ago. Over those seven years enrollment has increased; MACS is in a sound financial position; our professional staff is outstanding; our academics and extra curricular programs have received state and national recognition; we are growing and we are recognized throughout the United States as a unique, successful Catholic School system.

Recently, the Diocese reviewed the preliminary report from the Study for School Expansion and asked for more specific information with regard to sections of the report. While waiting for the additional information, it was evident from the Study that there seems to be a need for a second high school somewhere north of Center City Charlotte. The preliminary report had some suggestions on locations, but we have asked the Long Range Planning Committee of the MACS Board to begin an immediate study to propose recommendations on the feasibility of a second high school.

The Long Range Planning Committee met this week to get the process in motion. David Longo will be chairing the Committee. As the committee proceeds throughout the summer, we will post updates on our MACS web site: [www.charlottediocese.org/ourschools/MACS](http://www.charlottediocese.org/ourschools/MACS)

The recommendations of the Committee will be presented to the Diocese for review along with the recommendations from the Study itself. We are excited to get this in motion and receive the additional recommendations of the committee. As other parts of the Study are reviewed, we will continue to keep everyone apprised. Thank you for keeping the Committee and all of our MACS families in prayers. We are developing a special prayer for MACS Schools, which will be ready in August.

Enjoy your summer days with family and friends. Remember to include Christ as the focal point in your summer activities, and He will reciprocate. May He protect you and your travels and bring you safely back to our schools in August.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Linda L. Cherry  
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