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May the Peace of Christ be with each and every one of us!

Over the past few months, the administrations at Cardinal Gibbons School and Seton Keough High School have been working very diligently on a report that Archbishop O'Brien requested to investigate all options for the future of the schools. The report was completed and forwarded to the Archbishop at the end of April 2009. He thanked both schools for the energy and effort given to the task, as well as for our commitment, with the focus on the overarching goal of providing affordable and accessible Catholic education to the students we serve. The results of the report after the Archbishop's review are as follows:


- Each school will remain a single gender school on their respective campuses.
- The ongoing sharing of resources between Seton Keough and Cardinal Gibbons is encouraged and supported, especially in regards to scheduling classes and sharing faculty. Further endorsement was provided for our commitment to Project Lead the Way, development strategies, and the other initiatives previously announced.
- The previously announced plan to share a common President, Development Director and Finance Director will be placed on hold and we will continue to study this possible aspect of our collaborative partnership during the coming year in order to make the best possible decisions for both schools.
- The process of evaluating all Catholic schools will continue through the efforts of the Archdiocese's Blue Ribbon Committee that was established this school year. That committee is due to report its findings next year. If you are interested in providing input to that committee about Seton Keough, specifically, or Catholic education in general, please go to www.archbalt.org/blueribboncommittee.

The impact of sharing our resources and new program initiatives will provide immediate and long term opportunities for the Seton Keough students and the general operations of our school community. The future for our school is very positive. The purpose of this letter is simply to share with you the Archbishop's response to our report.

Very sincerely,



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