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Dear Bishop Connolly School Community,

There are so many exciting changes coming to Bishop Connolly that will enable the School to offer unparalleled opportunities to its students. One change that will create a solid foundation for growth is the strategic partnership that has been formed between Coyle and Cassidy and Bishop Connolly schools. I am writing to inform you that due to restructuring of the administration of Coyle and Cassidy, I am appointing Mr. Christopher Myron as President of both Bishop Connolly High School and Coyle and Cassidy High School and Middle School. As President of both schools, Mr. Myron will be best positioned to lead the strategic partnership of the new collaborative structure.

While Mr. Myron will be overseeing both schools, it is important for you to know that there are no plans to close Coyle and Cassidy nor merge the two schools. In fact, each school will maintain its own identity and continue to serve the student populations in the Fall River and Taunton communities.

As we previously announced, Mrs. Kathleen St. Laurent, who has served at Coyle and Cassidy since 1991 as both a teacher and an administrator, will be bringing her expertise in curriculum instruction and personalized learning to Bishop Connolly also. She will work with the instructional leadership team to continue to strengthen the academic program. We are happy to share that Mrs. St. Laurent has just completed the Lynch Leadership Fellowship Program at Boston College.

As of July 1, 2019, Coyle and Cassidy and Bishop Connolly will engage in a strategic partnership which will leverage and share resources to be good stewards of tuition dollars. We will focus on expanding opportunities for our students by establishing innovative programs that will offer a curriculum that fosters critical and analytical thinking and problem solving skills.

It is our hope that all families from the Bishop Connolly community will join us at *the Meet the Partners Night* on May 21st at 6:00 p.m. at Stonehill College's McCarthy Auditorium in the May School of Arts and Sciences. We know that all who attend will be excited by these outstanding partners and their commitment to help build our new academy and advance the missions of both of these schools.

We look forward to seeing you on the 21st!

All God's Blessings,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Steve Perla'.

Steve Perla
Superintendent