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### **CARDINAL NEWMAN HIGH SCHOOL welcomes a new President!**

It is with great excitement and pleasure that we announce Cardinal Newman High School's next president, Dr. Linda Norman. Please help us welcome Dr. Norman into our wonderful community.

Cardinal Newman's Selection Advisory Committee, under the watchful guidance of the Most Reverend Robert F. Vasa, worked tirelessly to find our next president. The process began with the appointment of a Listening Committee composed of faculty, staff, current students, alumni, current parents, benefactors, and community members. The Selection Advisory Committee and the Listening Committee conducted four large listening sessions which allowed the committees to hear from the Cardinal Newman community (parents, donors, students, alumni, and community members) about the qualities they were looking for in Cardinal Newman's next president.

Even though the Board of Trustees was expecting to perform a nationwide search, it became very apparent during the listening sessions that Dr. Norman was the best choice to lead, inspire, and shape the future of Cardinal Newman. The Selection Advisory Committee presented its findings to the Board of Trustees and Bishop Vasa, who ultimately offered the position to Dr. Norman.

Since assuming the role of Interim President in June 2020, Dr. Norman has demonstrated her unwavering passion for and dedication to the Cardinal Newman community and its students. She is a career Catholic educator with decades of leadership experience. Dr. Norman is widely-regarded as an exceptionally effective and collaborative leader. Prior to joining the Cardinal Newman community, she was the Superintendent of Schools for the Diocese of Santa Rosa where she served since 2016. Dr. Norman has been a Catholic school principal, a Catholic school parent, and a Catholic school student. While she holds advanced degrees in educational leadership and management, it was her own Catholic high school education that shaped her leadership style and laid the foundation for her commitment to leadership through service.

As Superintendent of Schools for the Diocese of Santa Rosa, she has learned about the beauty and rich history of the Cardinal Newman High School community. She has witnessed firsthand the strength and resilience of the Cardinal Newman community and has been inspired by the dedication that the teachers, staff, students, alumni, and families have demonstrated to the Mission of Cardinal Newman High School. She has learned that regardless of what the world casts upon this school community – wildfire, flood, smoke, power outages, pandemic – the people of Cardinal Newman High School persevere with grace determination, and grit.

Cardinal Newman is excited to welcome Dr. Norman to our family and we look forward to officially welcoming her as our new President on February 1, 2021.