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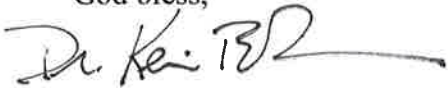
Dear Parents,

We are grateful to you for your commitment to your child's education and for the sacrifice you make to have them enrolled in a Catholic school. We know the great value that our Catholic schools provide to students and families is beyond just academic performance – it is rooted in our faith and our belief that our students will be significant leaders in the future for both our Church and society. That being said, we also take great pride in the academic success of our Catholic schools. We know that a rigorous academic education provided in a strong Catholic environment will enable students to reach their God-given potential.

We are extremely happy to announce that Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles will be moving to the STAR Assessments for the 2015-16 school year. The STAR Assessments from Renaissance Learning will provide principals, teachers and parents a more comprehensive picture of student growth and performance and will allow Catholic schools to better meet the needs of all learners in the classroom. We are extremely excited about the transition to the STAR Assessments and I am confident that you will be as well as you engage with your child's teacher and principal in examining the data.

I want to thank you again for your commitment to your child's education. At the Department of Catholic Schools we know that the collaboration with parents is vital to school success and we are grateful to each of you for your support and partnership.

God bless,



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