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Chesterton Academy of St. Michael Announces Founding Headmaster

Mr. Matthew Manni

Bothell— May 4, 2023 —*Chesterton Academy of St. Michael (CASM) is very pleased to announce the hiring of Mr. Matthew Manni as our founding headmaster.*

“We are thrilled to have Mr. Manni join our team,” said Erica Genzale, president of Chesterton Academy of St. Michael Board of Directors. “He is so joyful and excited to be our founding headmaster, and his passion for our Catholic faith is inspirational.” Mr. Manni is looking forward to serving as headmaster. “There exists a plethora of reasons to be excited about the opening of Chesterton Academy of St. Michael: the fellowship of our House system, an enriching curriculum, a focus on building virtue, and the beauty of our Catholic faith experienced,” said Mr. Manni. “Perhaps the most thrilling aspect of this adventure is the opportunity for students to be transformed by Christ in the holy sacrifice of the Mass each day. Jesus Himself will enlighten and inflame the hearts, minds, and souls of each future saint. Come join us!” Bernadette Edwards, Board Treasurer for CASM said “as an energetic and faith filled educator, we are blessed to have Mr. Manni bring his experience and excellent Catholic education and formation to the vision and mission of our school.”

Mr. Manni will work with the board to put together a stellar team of faculty and prepare the school for its launch in September 2023. He and his family will be moving to the area over the summer.

A native of Whidbey Island, WA, Mr. Manni received his B.A. in Philosophy from Franciscan University of Steubenville. He earned a Master's in Teaching from Heritage University and a K-12 Principal Certification from Gonzaga University. Servant leadership is at the heart of Mr. Manni's work. He believes strongly in developing the strengths of his team, and creating a culture of relational trust, valuing each beyond their expertise.

More about Chesterton Academy

The mission of Chesterton Academy is to help parents raise up a new generation of joyful leaders and saints, educated in the classical tradition and the truths of the Catholic faith. Their rigorous, integrated curriculum unlocks students' potential and prepares them to succeed in college and professional life, and to excel in service of family, of country, and of Christ our Lord. Chesterton Academy of St. Michael will be opening Fall of 2023 with 9th & 10th grades, adding 11th in 2024 and 12th 2025.

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