Dear Parents and Guardians:

We thank all of our families for choosing the Catholic Schools of Broome County. We are truly blessed to have the opportunity to educate your children and we look forward to another successful year.

Re-admission for the 2019/2020 academic year is now open. Each family will be receiving a separate email explaining the process. We are requesting that you complete the process by Friday, March 22. On your Re-admission form, you’ll note the tuition grid has been modified to reflect three tiers - Grades K-6, Grades 7-8 and Grades 9-12. This change will make it easier to review tuition rates and help with planning the future educational investment for your children. As a reminder, the tuition assistance application deadline through FACTS must be completed by February 15.

The cost of educating public and not-public school children continues to increase. The success of the recent Capital Campaign has allowed us to address several needs related to the appearance, security and accessibility of our schools. Campaign proceeds will continue to provide funding for these necessary investments and upgrades. We remain sensitive to the sacrifice our families make for the investment in their child(ren). Your tuition is a meaningful percentage of our overall cost of education, together with support from local parishes and our Office of Institutional Advancement.

The following annual tuition increases are made for the academic year 2019/2020. Kindergarten increases $500 for Parishioners and $750 for Non-Parishioners. To help offset this increase, the Kindergarten retention voucher is now $1,100. This means the effective 2019/2020 tuition rate, for families entering Kindergarten from our Preschool, is $4,450 for Parishioners and $5,140 for Non-Parishioners. As a parent of a Kindergarten student, you are now eligible for tuition assistance, so we encourage you to complete the FACTS application. Annual tuition increases for Parishioners and Non-Parishioners entering grades 1-6 are $200 and $300 respectively, $300 and $400 for grades 7-8 and $200 and $300 for grades 9-12. All Preschool programs offered have an annual tuition increase of $300.

We are excited about new technology that is being introduced in our classrooms this year. We continue our commitment to coordinating curriculum between our elementary schools and Seton. Advances are being made with our K-6 literacy program, including additional professional development for teachers and a new interactive read-aloud component for kindergarten students. Enhanced opportunities for academic and social supports and classroom assistance for students in all grades are also being planned. These are just a few of the initiatives we are implementing to enhance your child’s education. Stay tuned for more great news as we continue to make the Catholic Schools of Broome County the best version possible!

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Carter, PhD