



BY EMAIL

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To the parents and students of Villa Maria College

Subject: A new Board of Directors to ensure the long-term future of Villa Maria College

Dear Students,
Dear Parents,

I wish to inform you that this morning, the Congrégation de Notre-Dame appointed a new Board of Directors for Villa Maria College. This decision aims to secure the future of the school for its students, their families and future generations, in anticipation of the lease expiring in July 2030.

The Congregation is thus filling the three positions on the Board of Directors that have been vacant for several months, proceeding with the early replacement of four directors whose terms were due to end in four months' time, and appointing two new directors. This decision was necessary to ensure the survival of Villa Maria College.

First and foremost, I would like to assure you that day-to-day operations are continuing as normal and that enrolled students will be able to complete their education in both the French-speaking and English-speaking sections.

Faced with an impasse and a lack of concrete solutions over the past five years, the Congregation has chosen to act responsibly. I have been chosen to chair the Board in view of my expertise in governance and institutional management. I will be supported by a team of capable and experienced directors.

The new board's mandate is to analyze the options and find a permanent solution as soon as possible. A new chapter begins. A process of dialogue and the search for solutions, carried out in close collaboration between the Board of Directors and the Congregation, is now underway. It is in this spirit of respect and collaboration that lasting solutions can be found.

The new Board of Directors is committed to keeping families informed at every stage of the process, in a transparent and regular manner. For the first time, a seat will be reserved for a parent and another will be held by an alumna, to ensure direct representation of the school community.

The Board of Directors, comprising eleven experienced members, will ensure that the educational mission of Villa Maria College continues to be carried out, in a spirit of openness towards the community.

We will keep you informed of developments on a regular basis, and rest assured that the quality of life at school and the quality of teaching will remain a priority for the entire team.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Suzanne Gouin".

Suzanne Gouin
Chair of the Board of Directors