



BY EMAIL

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To: Parents and Students of Villa Maria High School

Re: Sale of the Villa Maria Domain – Questions and Answers

Dear Parents and Students,

Firstly, we would like to wish you an excellent back-to-school period as well as a wonderful 2026-2027 school year.

In the wake of the Congrégation de Notre-Dame's (CND) recent announcement regarding the sale of the Villa Maria Domain, we would like to provide you with specific information on the situation and measures undertaken by the Board of Directors.

It is important to distinguish between the sale of the Villa Maria Domain and the future of Villa Maria High School. While the Domain may have been put up for sale, Villa Maria, the teaching institution, is not for sale, and its activities are continuing as usual. **The priority of the School's board of directors is to ensure the school's future and to allow it to pursue its educational mission over the long term.**

The School's current lease allows it to carry out its activities on the site until July 2030. Furthermore, terms set forth for the sale of the Domain actually allow Villa Maria to **remain on its current campus until at least 2032**, thereby providing our community and new students with significant predictability.

The sale of the Domain opens up new possibilities for the future of Villa Maria and its continued presence on its current site over a very long period of time. With this in mind, the Board of Directors, with the support of experts, has undertaken feasibility and valuation studies of the Domain in order to better understand its potential and evaluate various scenarios.

Notably, this work will make it possible to look at the opportunities that could arise within the framework of the sale process, including the School's potential acquisition of the Domain or the exercise of its right of first refusal, should applicable conditions be met.

In the interim, the School's regular activities continue, now and over the coming years.



The School is also continuing to invest in its future through the implementation of a new pedagogical approach focused on students' voices and choices, as well as the creation of new positions and a number of projects related to the maintenance, renovation and improvement of its infrastructures.

We know that the sale of the Domain can give rise to questions. For this reason, we have produced a [Questions and Answers](#) document addressing some of the main issues raised over the past few weeks. This document will be updated as the situation unfolds.

[Refer to the Questions and Answers document](#)

The Board of Directors and the Administration remain fully committed to working in a rigorous, responsible and transparent manner.

Thanking you for your trust and commitment, I remain

Yours truly,

Suzanne Gouin

Chair of the Board of Directors