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Dear Colleague in Ministry,

Welcome to the ministry of Catholic education in the Diocese of Wilmington! Your response to the call to teach in a Catholic school acknowledges the commission to "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel (Mark 16:15)." May your work and your life accomplish this mission.

On **Wednesday, August 14, 2024**, the Catholic Schools Office will host **New Teacher Orientation** at **Christ the Teacher Catholic School, 2451 Frazer Road, Newark, DE 19702** for all teachers new to the Diocese of Wilmington. Registration and morning refreshments will be available beginning at 8:45 am; the program will begin at 9:00 am. Lunch will be provided and the day will conclude by 3:30 pm.

A number of important topics will be addressed throughout the orientation day including the role and responsibilities of a Catholic school teacher, requirements for fulfilling Initial Faith Formation, licensing and certification, and the diocesan mentoring program. Also, the day will provide conversation with colleagues and a good start to networking in the Catholic schools of the Diocese of Wilmington. Your participation is important to a successful start to the new school year and your ministry in a Catholic school.

New Teacher Orientation is professional development required for all teachers new to the Diocese of Wilmington. Your principal will pre-register you for New Teacher Orientation; remember to check in when you arrive. Casual business attire is expected for this meeting. Jeans, shorts, capri pants, sneakers, and flip flops are inappropriate for this meeting.

The staff of the Catholic Schools Office joins me in wishing you joy and success in your new ministry in the Diocese of Wilmington. We look forward to meeting you soon.

Sincerely,

Louis P. De Angelo

Louis P. De Angelo, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools

The Catholic Schools Office leads, serves, and supports the school communities of the Diocese of Wilmington to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We partner with our schools to develop leaders for the Church and the world by fostering faith formation, promoting academic rigor, encouraging service, and planning for a vibrant future for Catholic education.