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Dear Members of the
St. Patrick's and St. Christopher Catholic School Communities,

I am pleased to report to you today that the Legacy Committee has completed its work; and that after four meetings of fulsome and lively discussion, we have come to decisions that are either unanimous or nearly unanimous.

The following are the major points of consideration, which have been resolved:

1. The uniform for the new St. Patrick's Catholic High School will consist of a green or white shirt; black or khaki pants; and an optional additional sweater or vest in black. As a follow-up to our discussions, we will also consider different options for the kilt.
2. The new logo will be a Celtic cross with a shamrock embedded within it. The main colours of the logo will be green and blue. A cross-school committee of students will be asked to submit logo designs with specific parameters, guided by the Legacy Committee's discussions.

There was also agreement among committee members that team uniform colours will have more latitude than school uniforms. The dominant team colours will be blue and green with other colours permitted as accents. The new logo will figure prominently in all team uniforms.

3. The *Fighting Irish* will be the nick-name for the St. Patrick's school community. This is a reference to the scripture verse "Fight the good fight of faith..." from 1 Timothy 6:12 and is meant to reflect our commitment to Gospel values and the ways in which we live out Christ's teachings, through the contributions we make to our school, our community and our Church. In athletics and in student activities, the *Fighting Irish* evokes our rugged determination to be victorious in competition and our striving for excellence in all of our endeavours.
4. The committee also ratified several expectations regarding how to preserve the legacy of the two predecessor schools – most especially St. Christopher – including: murals depicting both schools; time capsules; continuing the work of both Cyclone Aid and Irish Miracle; and a St. Christopher performing arts theatre in the new school, among others.

I want to thank the members of our committee for their dedicated and diligent work on these matters, which are important in the life of a school. It has been a pleasure to work with them in a spirit of cooperation and support, as together we work to build a brand new Catholic school community. We have an exciting future ahead of us!

Sincerely,

Dr. Frank Leddy
Superintendent of Education; and
Legacy Committee Chair