



The Board of Directors of San Miguel School Chicago are very pleased to announce **Julie Hendry as the new Executive Director**, effective August 1, 2024.

Mrs. Hendry is an experienced and mission centered educational leader who brings a commitment to collaborative leadership, academic excellence, and faith life programming to San Miguel School Chicago.

Her professional journey and commitment to empowering through education began in Chicago when she taught at Jensen Miller Scholastic Academy on the City's west side. Most recently, Julie served as Principal of St. Patrick Catholic School in Dallas, Texas for 9 years. There, she led and motivated more than 60 faculty and staff and managed a \$5.1M annual budget and a \$2M endowment fund. She was directly responsible for creating and cultivating a \$1.3M tuition assistance fund along with \$1.1M in funding for institutional capital improvements to benefit St. Patrick School's students, family, and community.

"I am humbled and grateful to serve the San Miguel School Chicago family of talented and compassionate teachers, students, alumni, and staff. San

Miguel's true commitment to academic rigor along with social emotional nurturing, faith and humility is palpable." said Mrs. Hendry.

"I'm excited to partner with Julie's skills and vision to elevate San Miguel School Chicago's opportunities, academic excellence and gifts to many future generations." added Alison Orbin, Principal.

Julie, originally from the east coast, earned her Master of Arts in Catholic School Leadership and Bachelor of Arts in History, Concentration in International Studies from University of Dallas, Irving TX and is pursuing her Master of Science in Restorative Practices from International Institute of Restorative Practices.

Julie and her husband Eric, a theologian, have a daughter, Sarah, who is currently pursuing degrees in journalism and political science at DePaul University, Chicago campus.

"Please join us in welcoming Julie Hendry to San Miguel School Chicago. We are very excited for her to lead San Miguel to new heights," said John Conerty, Chairman of the Board, San Miguel School Chicago.