



# CARDINAL RITTER HIGH SCHOOL

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## Message from the President

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Welcome everyone to the start of another great school year. Lately, our teachers have been spending time preparing their classrooms, textbooks and new computers have been delivered, and the walls and floors have been painted and polished to be ready for the return of students next week. As the start of the fall semester always creates some temporary thrill, our efforts continue to be associated with the longer term educational aspects that create life long learning and the enthusiasm generated in preparing students for the 21st century.

Over the summer, educational reforms, budget cutbacks and state takeover of schools continue to make news. For many years now, at Cardinal Ritter, we have faced similar complex issues including student achievement, teacher assessment and fiscal responsibility. By addressing these issues early on, we have been able to implement many actions and changes that have achieved measureable success in academics, effective teaching and financial viability. We are committed to retaining our leadership role in educational initiatives and performance results. Cardinal Ritter is working in close collaboration with our west deanery parish schools and our sister high schools along with Marian University to align curriculum, generate resources and develop new academic opportunities for the students we serve. As a Catholic school, we teach and pass on to each student the beliefs and values of our Catholic faith. Integrating these values with the academic curriculum generates a learning combination that we know prepares our young adults for the challenges ahead. As schools in the area attempt to adjust through budget cutbacks and other reform initiatives, it is good to recognize that at Cardinal Ritter, we are providing the learning environment that your student can thrive in today and be prepared for life tomorrow. I hope you find this to be as exciting as the start of another year.

Greg Perkins