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Padua Franciscan High School

Press Release

Padua President Announces Retirement (Effective June 2021)

PARMA, Ohio – (September 14, 2020) After eight years of service to Padua Franciscan High School, President Fr. Allan DaCorte, ofm has announced that he will be retiring on June 30, 2021, his 75th birthday.

Board of Trustee Chair Nick Iafigliola wrote a letter to the Padua Community sharing the news. [Click here to read the announcement.](#)

Fr. Allan has overseen several major changes and renovations to the premier college-prep school, including the installation of artificial turf at Padua Stadium, the construction of two new entrances (including the Main Entrance and Back Entrance), and the success of the PaduaPlus+ Campaign, just to name a few.

Fr. Allan plans to continue to help guide Padua's success, participate in Padua's events, and mentor the Padua community.

Padua's Board of Trustees will begin the process of selecting a new president. Two committees will oversee the interviews and selection process to assure proper procedures, transparency, and a seamless transition.

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School Background: Padua Franciscan High School is located at 6740 State Road in Parma, Ohio. Padua is a college-preparatory, co-educational school with 750 students. Padua was founded by Franciscans in 1961 and bases its educational philosophy on the life and spirituality of Saint Francis of Assisi. The school's mission is to develop the unique talents of each student, while giving them the skills they need to succeed in college and beyond.
