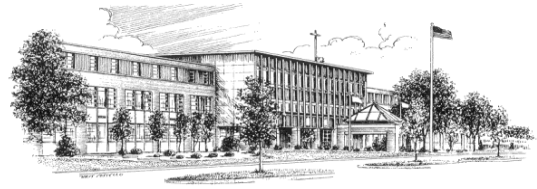


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**Padua Franciscan High School**

# Press Release

## Bob DiRocco Named Permanent Principal at Padua Franciscan High School

PARMA, Ohio – (March 3, 2022) Padua Franciscan High School announced that Bob DiRocco is the permanent principal on Wednesday, March 2, 2022, after serving as the interim principal since July 2021. The decision was approved by President David Stec '86 and the Board of Trustees.

“Bob DiRocco has done an exceptional job guiding the school this year. His faith, dedication, and focus on strengthening student engagement has made a positive impact here at Padua,” said Stec. “We look forward to him continuing to provide exceptional leadership, academic vision, and support for the entire Padua community.”

DiRocco joined Padua’s in 2008 as a Theology teacher, campus minister and coach. Then he served as the assistant principal of young men. Prior to working at Padua, DiRocco spent 15 years as an administrator and teacher at St. Peter Chanel High School. He is looking forward to the future.

“I am honored and excited to continue serving as Padua’s principal,” said DiRocco. “I am filled with hope about our school’s next chapter and look forward to sharing those successes with our students and their families.”

DiRocco earned his Bachelor of Arts in philosophy from John Carroll University and his Master of Science in educational administration from the University of Scranton.

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**School Background:** Padua Franciscan High School is located at 6740 State Road in Parma, Ohio. Padua is a Catholic, college-prep, co-educational school with 760 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.

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