



Dear Prospective Students,

I was sitting in the fourth row of the right side of our Auditorium on the morning of January 6th, 2012, when it was announced the Bonner and Prendergast was slated for closure, along with three other Archdiocesan high schools, and tens of local Catholic grade schools. Of all the emotions I grappled with that day, I remember most the disbelief that this home that meant so much to so many people could come to an end so abruptly. I was a senior, and for the weeks leading up to that day, I felt on top of the world. And then for me, and my Bonner & Prendie classmates, that world came crashing down around us.

In the month and a half to follow, I witnessed the alumni community rally a historic effort to save the school; and after a successful appeal, we remained opened as one institution--but the challenges did not stop there.

What was then two operating buildings split between guys and girls was now becoming a home to a co-ed institution; however, it remained our priority to maintain the traditions of the brotherhood of Bonner and the sisterhood of Prendie. While I could not fully grasp what the future would look like at the time, I am now living it, working in the Admissions Office...and when I say we now have got the best of both worlds, I mean it.

Something special is happening here. You feel it when you walk in. You see it in a student passing by, or a teacher carrying quizzes to be copied, or in Mrs. Roccio greeting you in the main office. We exist for one purpose: you, the student. We aim to provide that holistic education which will catalyze your future.

So here I am; almost six years removed from that day, working with my team to lead the charge for Bonner & Prendie. Each day I find a renewed sense of vim and vigor for this community and its mission. I encourage parents and students alike to tour, shadow, visit, call, e-mail, write... and see if this is the place where you can chart your course toward the future you deserve.

It is an honor to be back at my alma mater and working with the students and alumni who keep this family going strong. We look forward to you joining us. Make sure to click around this Admissions tab for links to our Admissions Process, so you know what step is next for you in the process. Information on the application, record request, acceptance process, and all other pertinent information can be found here.

All my best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Patrick Walsh'.

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