

Statement of Archbishop O'Brien on Statement of Retirement of College of Notre Dame President

Dr. Seurkamp has long been a valued educational partner in our Archdiocese. Her contributions to the Church, Catholic education and the citizens of Baltimore and Maryland will be difficult to replicate.

From her service as president of the College of Notre Dame to her enthusiastic participation on the many boards and committees dedicated to the promise offered through education, Dr. Seurkamp's distinguished career has left a lasting and indelible mark on the educational landscape in our region.

More recently, she served on the Blue Ribbon Committee on Catholic Schools, which developed a strategic plan that offers a road map for future stability and growth in our Catholic school system. She also generously and ably led our search for a new superintendent of Catholic schools, an effort that resulted in the selection of an outstanding leader, Dr. Barbara Edmondson.

Here in the Archdiocese of Baltimore, we have been most blessed to reap the bounty of Dr. Seurkamp's leadership and commitment to education. We give thanks to God for her service and wish her every happiness in her well-deserved retirement.