

# *The Advisory Council*

For Catholic Elementary Education in Chester County



**To:** Catholic School Parents and Parishioners

**From:** Pastors, in coordination with the Principals and the School Advisory Board Presidents

**Subject:** Update on the Southern Chester County Steering Committee

As you may be aware, the locally led Southern Chester County Steering Committee met earlier this week for the Visioning Workshop with Bloom Planning, to discuss the research Bloom collected over the past two months. The Visioning Workshop included information on the current state of the schools, survey results, stakeholder perception data, market research for the greater area and financial information. The Steering Committee spent the day engaged in a group process of strategic analysis, allowing the committee to further understand and evaluate the data.

We thank you for all of your input and your patience throughout this process. Your feedback was a key factor in the Steering Committee's discussions and will continue to play an important part in our decision making process.

The workshop was extremely productive but as expected, the vast amount of data available prohibited us from completing our full understanding of the information during our session. The Steering Committee plans to reconvene within the next month, to continue the visioning process and continue to peel back the layers of information to inform our work. Our hope is that this meeting will move us even closer towards a vision for the future of Catholic Education in Southern Chester County.

We appreciate your understanding as this Steering Committee continues to work through this process and we will continue to keep you informed of our work at each milestone, making you aware of the path forward. Our intent is that by the end of January we will have a vision for Catholic Education in Southern Chester County.

Thank you, sincerely,

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