



SAINT PATRICK

HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Saint Patrick,

As an eighth grader, people tell you to enjoy high school because it goes by fast. Being naive, I did not think much of what they were saying. Now I sit here as a senior in high school and can truly say that they were all right. I knew Saint Patrick was going to be my high school ever since I was young. However, I did not realize how lucky I was to be a part of something bigger than just a school. Saint Patrick is not just a school but it is a community; a community that turns boys from different backgrounds into respectable, understanding, and inspiring men. My life has truly changed due to this amazing place and the even better people that have helped me and many others throughout my high school career.

It feels like yesterday when I was walking into the doors on Belmont Ave. and saw the sign “Welcome Freshmen”. On that day, I did not realize how important faith, tradition, and brotherhood could all be. Faith is something that we preach at Saint Patrick High School. Not only do we find faith in mass and the sacraments, but we also give back in are communities to help fulfill that mission of Saint John Baptist De La Salle. Tradition is how we work, celebrate, and guide not only ourselves but are brothers as well. Lastly, Brotherhood is the everlasting bond we create each and every day with the ones in our school. That bond will always hold a special place in my heart and I know the brothers I have made at Saint Patrick High School will stick by my side wherever I go.

My experience at Saint Patrick High School has been something that I hope many other future students can have. Sports and Services have helped me find the inner leader we all have in us. Football has provided nothing but amazing memories for me. Through hard work, dedication, and the guidance of many coaches I now have the opportunity to play college football. Many coaches have been a great influence, but the true impact are the teachers of Saint Patrick High School. From the stern, hard work mentality of Mr. Doyle to the friendly, kind acceptance of Mr. Raho, all of the teachers have taught me to be a man, make my decisions on my own, and be responsible for my actions. Nothing will beat the joy of

being in class with all your brothers and having an understanding and inspiring teacher to guide us through life.

It's a hard realization that I am almost done with my high school career. However, I am not sad, but rather glad that I have learned so many lessons which helped prepare me for my next steps in life. Saint Patrick High School has put me on a path to success due to the people in and out of that building each and every day. So Dear Saint Patrick, all I can say is "thank you for the amazing four years and for helping shape me to be the man I am today."

Sincerely

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