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## ABOUT THE JESUIT SCHOOLS NETWORK OF NORTH AMERICA

### A Network of Networks

Created in April of 2015 and headquartered in Washington, D.C., the Jesuit Schools Network of North America is the successor organization to the Jesuit Secondary Education Association (JSEA). Under the Jesuit Schools Network, Jesuit pre-secondary and secondary schools in Canada and the U.S. will be networked within their province. An office at the Jesuit Conference/Assistancy level will network the province networks...creating a “network of networks.”

### A New Paradigm

The new model will strengthen the relationship between an individual school, the Society of Jesus in a province and in the Assistancy, and other Jesuit schools, aligning governance and service through a single relationship to the Society of Jesus. Given the increase in collaboration among lay and Jesuit colleagues, larger provinces and a growing Assistancy, the delivery of services and programs that are consistent, sustainable and that more intimately connect schools to the provincial and the larger Society of Jesus will markedly strengthen the Jesuit identity of our schools.

### Membership

All pre-secondary and secondary schools sponsored by a Jesuit provincial in Canada and the U.S. are members of the Jesuit Schools Network.

### Programming and Other Services

The JSEA and PASE (Provincial Assistants for Secondary Education) offices have done much to support the mission of Jesuit schools in the areas of networking, formation, research and creation of documents. Forming the Jesuit Schools Network ensures that this support continues in a consistent way.

Outstanding programming, including The Colloquium, Seminars in Ignatian Leadership and other JSEA programs, will continue and will be enhanced.

In addition, the Jesuit Schools Network will research and develop new programming; coordinate Jesuit Schools Network meetings; provide training for and coordinate province network activities (sponsorship, leadership programs, etc.); and provide international cooperation, service and leadership, all while maintaining the same high quality and consistency that has been the hallmark of the JSEA.

The Jesuit Schools Network will pursue research that can inform the development of new programs, continue creating visionary documents like the *Profile of the Graduate at Graduation*, and provide inspiration and direction in our shared mission of Jesuit education.

### Leadership

The Jesuit Schools Network’s board will oversee an executive director, who will ensure quality and consistency in programming across provinces and for the Assistancy, and also serve as the secretary for secondary and pre-secondary education at the Jesuit Conference. The first executive director of the Jesuit Schools Network is long-time Jesuit educator, Fr. William Muller, SJ.

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