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News and Facts from the Assistant Head of School's Office

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the academic year of 2009-2010. We have successfully completed a few complete 6 day cycles. Each day is a new beginning. It does take time to get into the rhythm of the year. The parent/guardian-student handbook is a good reference guideline for describing "A Way of Life at Mount Alvernia High School."

The rules are in place to help in the day to day operation of the school. Hopefully, this smooth operation results in a calm learning environment. Getting into a routine after the summer is more of an adjustment for the new students and a bit of a refresher at the beginning for the returning students.

This year there are some new additions. Driving up the driveway, you may have noticed a new flag with the new logo flying beneath the American flag. The entire school participated in an assembly at which each member of the school community received a blue tee shirt with the new logo. The tee shirt may be worn each Friday along with a pair of jeans. Our hope is that our school logo will become even more known in the various communities. Once you enter into the school, you will see that the hallway on the first floor in each building looks different. There are pictures of some of our current students who participated in the Catholic Schools Foundation campaign for girls' schools.

In the classrooms, there are additional smart boards and new desks and chairs in many rooms. Also, there is a language lab in the front of one of the rooms. The entire student body begins and ends at the same time, yet there are different breaks and lunches for the two groups.

MAHS has a new tagline. "Teaching girls to have faith in themselves." It is my hope along with the faculty that this tagline becomes a reality. With this goal, your help is needed. If there is a situation that seems in any way to be impeding your daughter's growth, please do not hesitate to contact the guidance counselors or me. We certainly do not want to invade your privacy or break any confidentiality but we are here to help your daughters have great faith in themselves.

Sincerely,

Patricia A. Daley
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