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Archdiocese of Miami Secretary of Education/Superintendent of Schools announces retirement

Miami... (Feb. 22, 2021) Kim Pryzbylski, Ph.D., Secretary of Education and Superintendent of Catholic Schools in the Archdiocese of Miami, has announced her retirement, effective June 30, 2021.

During her 10-year tenure with the Archdiocese, Dr. Pryzbylski created a distinctive leadership that over the years provided clear direction and communication for principals, teachers, students, and parents. With her skills, Pryzbylski implemented iPad programs and acquired funding for other cutting-edge technological initiatives in Catholic schools, including teacher/instructional observation and accountability procedures.

In Spring 2020, when in-classroom instruction was interrupted due to COVID-19, Dr. Pryzbylski's advanced vision had all the necessary technology in place for students' continued learning via online instruction.

Dr. Pryzbylski's knowledge and expertise provided increased funding through federal title programs providing professional development for the teachers and principals as well as additional instruction for students who need extra assistance. In addition, during her administration, Dr. Pryzbylski established special protocols for fiscal accountability in schools.

On announcing her retirement, Dr. Pryzbylski stated she was grateful for the opportunities that awaited her in the Archdiocese's school system and deemed her time here an experience that solidified her education, experience and the joy of working with principals and teachers, bringing her a sense of accomplishment.



Archbishop Thomas Wenski expressed deep gratitude for Dr. Pryzbylski's many accomplishments over the past decade. "Dr. Pryzbylski will leave our schools better than when she found them both by advancing our capacity in the areas of technology, fiscal accountability, the professional development of our teachers and principals, and Catholic identity. She understood that excellence in Catholic education is not just about preparing students to make a good living, but also to help them to learn the ways of being good and living the Faith."

Dr. Pryzbylski attended Purdue University, earning her Ph.D. and MS in Educational Administration. She attended the University of Pittsburgh where she received her BS in Elementary Education.

Prior to her arrival in the Archdiocese of Miami, Dr. Pryzbylski worked as a Catholic school teacher, principal, and superintendent of schools, her last position being in Monterey, California.

"The time has come for my family and I to plan new adventures and look forward to going back to Indiana," stated Dr. Pryzbylski when announcing her retirement.

The Archdiocese of Miami has engaged Partners in Mission to assist in the search for Dr. Pryzbylski's successor. A search committee has been identified and will begin its task immediately.

The Archdiocese of Miami Department of Schools provides a Catholic education to over 32,000 students in 61 elementary and high schools. Its mission is to have children encounter the teachings and traditions of the Catholic Church and work closely with parents in their children's Faith journey.

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