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## **Inclusion Specialist and Step Coordinator**

The Mission Statement of St. Margaret Mary School states that: "Saint Margaret Mary School provides a complete Catholic educational experience in a faith-filled, safe, and happy environment." With this commitment in mind, the SMMS faculty and staff is dedicated in supporting students who sometimes struggle with a challenging academic program through our Resource/ Inclusion Program. Yet, in order to be inclusive, our classroom teachers must have the support needed to meet our students' needs. The Archdiocese supports this mission through the STEP process that supports all students with challenges.

To meet this challenge, Mrs. Jeanette Cardamone, has been named the Inclusion Specialist and STEP Coordinator at SAINT MARGARET MARY SCHOOL. Together with Joan Bruccoleri(Primary Resource Specialist) and Lori Chor (Junior High Resource), Jeanette will be supporting parents, students and teachers to give each student every opportunity to be successful.

Mrs. Cardamone, comes with experience as a principal in the Los Angeles Archdiocese for 14 years. In addition, she served six years on the Archdiocesan Inclusion Committee and was a presenter at the Loyola Marymount Inclusion Conference. She has a Master's degree in Catholic Inclusive Education. I am absolutely thrilled to welcome her to our school community as we strive to provide and promote an academically enriching and supportive climate that allows all members of our school community to not only thrive but also to succeed socially, academically and spiritually.

Again, I am thrilled to welcome her to our team!!! Mrs. Cardamone will be present at our BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT this Thursday night to 'meet and greet' all of our parents within the school community. She can also be reached at: IC.2educate@gmail.com.

Blessings, Mrs. Zimmerman Principal