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BISHOP GARCIA DIEGO HIGH SCHOOL UNDER NEW EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

Bishop Garcia Diego High School has a long standing tradition of cultivating graduates who are ready for college and ready for life. Since 2002, 100% of the graduates of the Catholic college preparatory school have gone onto post-secondary studies. Equally strong in athletics, Bishop has prepared student-athletes to play at many Division 1 and 2 schools, including UCLA, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Pepperdine, Stanford, UCSB, and Hawaii.



Dr. Joe Reiken (L), Dr. Paul Harrington (R)

The 2010-2011 school year will begin under new, lay leadership with the appointment of Dr. Paul Harrington as the Principal. Previously, Harrington served the school as Vice-Principal and Dean of Studies.

Dr. Joe Reiken was appointed as the Vice-Principal and Dean of Studies in April of 2010 and will lead the curricular program, support the faculty, and oversee the inauguration of the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Academy. "Bishop truly is the crown jewel of Santa Barbara, offering a rigorous academic program, a highly qualified faculty, high caliber athletic teams, and a values-based education that

prepares our students for success beyond high school," says Reiken of Bishop's academic and co-curricular program. Dr. Reiken has served the school as the department head of mathematics for the past seven years. On the faculty, staff and parents, Reiken notes, "We care about our students and are committed to ensuring that all students learn in a relevant, college-preparatory curriculum aligned with the California standards and UC/CSU admission requirements." Dr. Reiken earned a BA in Psychology, MA in Education, and Ph.D. in Education from UCSB. Further, he holds a California Teaching Credential in Mathematics as well as a California Administrative Services Credential.

Harrington states of Reiken's appointment, "Bishop High is blessed by the talent of Dr. Reiken. During his tenure, Joe has demonstrated his commitment to our students and their families. I am confident that Dr. Reiken will bring great energy and enthusiasm to his new assignment as he continues to support the spiritual, personal, and intellectual growth of our students. The future is bright at Bishop High!"

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