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Charlotte Catholic High School Foundation Honors 2016 and 2017 Sister Paulette Williams Award Winners

Ten CCHS Faculty Members Honored at Halftime of Football Game

Charlotte, NC – The Charlotte Catholic High School Foundation honored the 2016 and 2017 Sister Paulette Williams Award winners at halftime of the varsity football game on Friday, September 8th. The ceremony gave the home crowd a chance to publicly thank the ten winners for all they do for Charlotte Catholic.

In 2016, the CCHS Foundation established the Sister Paulette Williams Awards in order to recognize members of the Charlotte Catholic faculty whose exceptional dedication, knowledge, and commitment inspires students to learn. These are teachers who consider the whole student, and encourage them to be their best in all aspects of their lives. They exhibit the

best qualities of faith and mercy in their interaction with students as well as with colleagues. They consistently go above and beyond, making a difference in the lives of CCHS students and the school community.

The CCHS Foundation chose to name the awards in honor of Sister Paulette Williams, RSM, who played a key role in establishing the basis for Catholic education in Charlotte. She was a teacher at CCHS for five years, Assistant Principal for two years, and Principal for twenty years. “Her leadership, dedication, guidance, and vision built our school into what you recognize today – a community leader in academics, arts, and athletics,” said Mr. Kurt Telford, CCHS Principal.

The 2016 winners were Mr. Kevin Christmas (Health and Physical Education), Mrs. Karen Grauman (Counseling), Mrs. Linda Horvath (German), Mr. Shawn Panther (Social Studies and Economics), and Mrs. Joanne Winters (Mathematics).

The 2017 winners are Ms. Jean Adamian (Mathematics), Mr. Timothy Cook (Director of Bands), Mrs. Maryangela Morgan (Counseling), Mrs. Rose Shaia (English), and Dr. Lincoln Sigwald (English).

On behalf of the CCHS Foundation, a \$5,000 check was presented to each of the winners at graduation.

“The Foundation Board is very pleased to have the opportunity to congratulate these dedicated teachers and thank them in front of a big crowd,” said LynnErin Tyler, CCHS Foundation President. “The Sister Paulette Williams Awards are a wonderful way for the Foundation to express its thanks for all these teachers do every day, above and beyond what is expected, to make a difference in the lives of their students and our school community.”

The CCHS Foundation has worked to support Charlotte Catholic for more than 40 years. All of the money raised by the Foundation stays at the school to fund classroom grants, faith-related initiatives, scholarships, special awards honoring the school’s best teachers, and much more. The CCHS Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. For additional information about the Foundation, please visit www.cchsfoundation.org.

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Left to right: Principal Kurt Telford, Mrs. Linda Horvath with her husband Andrew, Mr. Timothy Cook, Ms. Jean Adamian, Mr. Shawn Panther, CCHS Foundation President LynnErin Tyler, and CCHS Foundation Vice President Rick Rossitch.



The Friday night crowd enthusiastically salutes and thanks the Sister Paulette Williams Award winners.

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