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## **Charlotte Catholic High School Announces 2017 Sister Paulette Williams Awards for Outstanding Service**

### **Five CCHS Faculty Members Honored at Graduation**

**Charlotte, NC** – Charlotte Catholic High School is proud to announce the 2017 winners of the Sister Paulette Williams Awards for Outstanding Service. The awards were presented at the Commencement Exercises held on June 2, 2017 at Bojangles' Coliseum.

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 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).

“These faculty members deserve to be recognized for their outstanding service,” noted Sister Paulette, “and we are extremely pleased to do so.” She added, “We are a community of families, bound by faith, who stand by each other, look out for each other, and pray for each other. I am proud to be with all of you, to present these awards.”

Mr. Telford presented a \$5,000 check to each of the winners, on behalf of the CCHS Foundation. “We congratulate these dedicated teachers,” he said. “These awards validate, honor, and encourage these educators. They are an expression of thanks for all these teachers do every day, above and beyond what is expected, to make a difference in the lives of our young people and our school community.”

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Sr. Paulette Williams, RSM arrives at the CCHS Commencement Exercises to present the Outstanding Service Awards given to faculty members in her name



Sr. Paulette Williams (left) reads the nomination of Ms. Jean Adamian, Mathematics Teacher (right)



Mr. Timothy Cook, Director of Bands, comes forward to receive his award



Mrs. Maryangela Morgan, Guidance Counselor, walks to the stage to accept her award



Mrs. Rose Shaia, English teacher, comes forward to receive her award



Dr. Lincoln Sigwald, English teacher, walks to the stage to receive his award for outstanding service



From left: Ms. Jean Adamian, Mr. Timothy Cook, Mrs. Maryangela Morgan, Mrs. Rose Shaia, and Dr. Lincoln Sigwald