

Diocese names new superintendent of schools

Beginning Aug. 29 Marcia Stevens will hit the pavement running as the new superintendent of Catholic schools.

“This is definitely an honor and a privilege to serve. I’m really looking forward to it,” Stevens said.

She has 32 years of experience in public education as well as years of experience in development. Stevens spent 10 years in teaching, 10 years as an elementary curriculum supervisor, and 12 years as a fine arts supervisor. She holds a bachelor’s degree from McNeese State University, Lake Charles, in early childhood education and a master’s degree from Lamar University, Beaumont, in educational leadership.

In addition to her extensive experience in public education, Stevens also has a background in faith formation. She has served as a religious education teacher and has trained other religious education teachers.

Among her goals are to make Catholic education more affordable and to increase awareness of the importance of a Catholic education.

“Marci will make an excellent leader for our schools ministry in Southeast Texas. Her extensive background in education and Catholic formation makes her the perfect choice for this position,” Bishop Guillory said.

“I think Catholic education plays a major role in the development of our children,” Stevens said. “I’m really looking forward to working with and supporting the principals and staff and to help them continue the growth and progress of Catholic education in our community.”

Stevens has lived in Southeast Texas most of her life and, along with her husband John Stevens, attends St. Jude Thaddeus Catholic Church, Beaumont. She is a product of Catholic schools having been a student at St. Elizabeth School, Port Neches.