

November 19, 2009

Dear Members of the Kingsbury Community,

I am pleased to announce that Dr. Richard Barbieri has been named the Interim CEO-Head of School for Kingsbury, effective Dec. 1, 2009.

We're thrilled to have Dr. Barbieri join our community. He is a top-notch educator and administrator who will be able to step right in, assume our unique CEO and Head of School duties and provide a seamless transition. Dr. Barbieri assumes the position vacated in October by Dr. Eric Isselhardt.

Dr. Barbieri is no stranger to serving in an interim capacity, having held that position with schools from all over the country. He has been an education consultant to schools and associations in some 28 states and was a former teacher and administrator for 11 years with Milton Academy, Milton, Mass.

Most recently, Dr. Barbieri was Interim Head of School for Stone Ridge School of the Sacred Heart in Bethesda, Md. In addition, he has served as Interim Head of School for Hillel Community Day School, Miami; Breakwater School, Portland, Me.; Wrightwood School (now called The Pine Brook School), Branford, Conn.; Cambridge Montessori School, Cambridge, Mass.; Manzano Day School, Albuquerque, N.M.; and The Chestnut Hill School, Newton, Mass.

He holds an M.A. and Ph.D. from Harvard University and a B.A. from Boston College. For 14 years he served as Executive Director for the Association of Independent Schools in New England (AISNE) and has authored more than 200 articles, reviews and textbooks on numerous educational policy and school governance issues.

The Kingsbury Board of Trustees continues its search for a permanent CEO-Head of School who they hope to have in place in 2010.

Please join me in welcoming Dr. Barbieri to the Kingsbury community.

Sincerely,



Bradley P. Holmes
President, Board of Trustees

About Kingsbury
Founded in 1938, Kingsbury is Washington, D.C.'s oldest private, nonprofit institution dedicated to young people with learning disabilities (LD). Kingsbury consists of three divisions: the K-12 Day School (KDS), the Kingsbury Tutoring Center (KTC) and the Diagnostic & Psychological Services (DAPS). Kingsbury actively engages in research and practices to define leading-edge education and assessment of individuals with LD issues. Building on this foundation, Kingsbury educates children and adults in a supportive environment of personalized teaching and instructs educational professionals in LD best practices. Approximately 230-250 students are enrolled annually with no more than 10 students in a class. On-site services include occupational and physical therapy, speech and reading specialists and psychologists. For more information, visit www.kingsbury.org.