

Maryvale Investiture Ceremony honors new President Malika DeLancey

Lutherville, Maryland – Maryvale welcomed special guests and the community to the Investiture Ceremony for Malika DeLancey on Friday, October 13, 2023. After an extensive search last winter, Ms. DeLancey assumed the role of President on July 1, 2023.

“Here at Maryvale, we teach students to learn, lead, and succeed,” DeLancey shared after an uplifting liturgy presided over by Father Steven Roth. The ceremony included a presentation of gifts from parents, faculty, students, and trustees representing the Catholic faith and Maryvale’s commitment to the Hallmarks of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur Learning Community. “In this community, I see limitless potential,” said DeLancey. “I look forward to exploring what innovation looks like as it pertains to faith, service, and inclusion.”

“Ms. DeLancey evokes joy and has a passion for helping young people live by the Maryvale Way — respect, dignity, and inclusivity,” shared Patricia M.C. Brown, ’78, the chair of the Maryvale Board of Trustees. “With her foundation of Catholic values and undeniable connection with the students, Malika will build on Maryvale’s strong tradition of high caliber academics, leadership development, and deep commitment to individualized education.”

“When I reflect on my experiences at Maryvale thus far, I am filled with gratitude,” shared Ms. DeLancey. “It’s like when you meet someone for the first time, and the connection is immediate and hard to explain. It’s just meant to be.”

Ms. DeLancey joins Maryvale after 25 years of experience in teaching and academic leadership at many of the most prestigious independent private schools in the Baltimore area. Ms. DeLancey earned her B.A. in psychology from the University of Maryland College Park, an M.S. in Education from Johns Hopkins University, and is completing a Graduate Certificate Program in Independent School Leadership at Johns Hopkins University.

About Maryvale

Maryvale Preparatory School is an all-girls Catholic independent school serving grades six through 12. Affiliated with the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, Maryvale provides an environment where each student can reach her academic, spiritual, physical, and civic potential in a loving, supportive, and diverse community. Building upon its unique heritage, Maryvale’s mission is to provide an exceptional education that responds to change and prepares young women for life. For more information, visit www.maryvale.com.