

TO: Members of the University Community

Dear Colleagues,

Saint Joseph's University is nearing the completion of the NCAA re-certification process which occurs once every ten years. The Self-Study was completed during 2005 and focuses on three areas: Academic Integrity, Governance & Rules Compliance and Equity & Student-Athlete Welfare.

The process has been inclusive and rigorous, with input from faculty, staff, students, trustees, and alumni. There have been 42 faculty, staff, alumni, and student-athletes involved in the Steering Committee and Subcommittees that researched and wrote the report. The Steering Committee was Chaired by Kathy Gaval, the Academic Integrity subcommittee was chaired by Eileen Grogan, the Governance & Rules subcommittee was chaired by John Lord, and the Student-Athlete Welfare committee was chaired by Judi Chapman. In addition, the report was circulated for comment and additional focus groups provided input before the Self-Study was submitted in January 2006. I am especially grateful to all the members of the subcommittees for their diligence and hard work throughout the process.

The next step is for a peer review team to visit campus on May 24-26, 2006. If you meet the team members please welcome them to Saint Joseph's.

If you are interested in reading the Self-Study, copies are available in the Drexel Library, Campion Main Desk and Deans' Offices.

Thank you-

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