



# BROTHER RICE HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Tim,

How great that you are a lawyer for such a prestigious law firm. Congratulations on successfully defending your client. I'm sure justice was done.

I admit that when I entered the court room and saw you, I surmised that I would not be allowed to be a part of this jury. With all due respect to the legal system and our responsibility as citizens of this wonderful country to participate, your having me excused allowed me to return to my work at school. It was greatly appreciated and no apology is necessary.

Much has changed at Brother Rice since you were here. We have gone to a President/Principal model of administration. John Birney '76, a student I taught in 1974 and one who returned as a teacher and coach, is now the President and acts as the CEO (Chief Executive Officer). He supports fund raising, carries out the spiritual mission, and executes the Strategic Plan which is overseen by the Board of Directors. Judge Henry Saad is Chairman of our Board. Maybe you've heard of him. As Principal, I act as a COO (Chief Operating Officer). I oversee the academic program and help organize various programs. Mr. Grosso is the Assistant Principal. Maybe you had him for math.

We have been improving the old classrooms by adding technology, air conditioning, digital projectors, white boards, etc. Through the good will of our supporters, we have also been able to install two turf fields, one for lacrosse and soccer and another for football. We share these with Marian and St. Regis so the whole community benefits. If you haven't done so in a while, feel free to stop by and John or I can give you a tour. We're very excited about the improvements, but the students are still our primary focus and we work hard to continue the traditions of the Christian Brothers who started this fine school in 1960 with the lay men and women of the supporting parishes.

It was so kind of you to write. Seeing that you or other alumni have succeeded in your chosen field of endeavor brings joy to our hearts. Brother Rice's goal to foster the development of responsible Christian gentlemen has been achieved and, hopefully, is being passed on to the next generation. I wish you continued success and hope you will keep in touch with us through the Alumni Office manned by Dan McGrath '96.

Sincerely,

  
Dave Kozlowski