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Dear La Salle College High School Class of 2011,

Happy New Year! I hope that you are enjoying your Christmas break. It has now been three and a half years since you graduated from La Salle College High School. More than likely, you are in your senior year in college. Some of you may be in longer programs, but the majority of you will be receiving your degree in the spring of 2015. All of us at La Salle hope you have found life beyond La Salle to be fulfilling. It seems only yesterday that La Salle faculty and family sent you forth at graduation.

Now I would like to invite you to consider the possibility of returning to La Salle as part of **La Salle's Alumni Volunteer Program**. The La Salle Volunteer Program began in September of 1998 with two graduates from the class of 1994. Our volunteers join us for one year. Their work involves some classroom commitments, substituting for absent teachers, participating in the school's retreat program, moderating school activities, assisting in the school's community service program, assisting in development efforts, devoting their time and effort in service to La Salle and its students. In addition, volunteers develop an extended academic, research or service project under the direction of a faculty or staff member. The project will be geared to the volunteer's talents and interests. It's a great experience—and great experience.

We now invite you as a member of the Class of 2011 to consider a similar volunteering of service for the 2015-2016 school year.

To foster the commitment to Lasallian ideals, our newly formed Office of Lasallian Mission and Ministry under the direction of Mrs. Maher oversees the work of our La Salle volunteers. There are several in-service days at the beginning of the school year. La Salle also provides health coverage, a monthly stipend to cover personal expenses, and a shared vehicle. In addition, the Brothers' Community and their residence at La Salle serve as special resources.

Applicants for La Salle's Volunteer Program are subject to the same academic criteria as applicants for full-time teaching positions, i.e., a Bachelor's Degree in subject area, recommendations, interviews with and approval by department chairs, Assistant Principal, Director of Mission and Ministry, Principal, La Salle Superior of Brothers Community, and President. Among other things, La Salle's needs in a particular subject area and/or extracurricular activities, as well as the applicant's

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recommendations are taken into account. We will make every effort to interview every applicant. If we find it necessary to restrict the number of interviews, the above mentioned criteria will be used. To date all of our applicants have been interviewed.

If you will be graduating from college in May of 2015 and if the opportunity for a year of volunteer service at our alma mater interests you, I would like to hear from you. For the 2015 – 2016 La Salle Volunteer Program we can accept a total of 2 volunteers. A completed **Application Packet needs to be in my office by Friday, January 30, 2015.**

I know that many of you are giving serious thought to the possibility of a year of service. This service to La Salle can offer you the opportunity to work with a great group of teachers, staff members, and most importantly the young men of La Salle. Whether you are considering working in education or thinking about giving something back to others by working with a group of young men at a very important time in their lives, I know that you will find a year of volunteer service challenging and rewarding.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the Application packet. You also can download the Application Packet from our website at www.lschs.org/alumnivolunteer. If you have any questions do not hesitate to call me at 215-233-2911

I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Know that as alums you are prayerfully remembered each day.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael A. O'Toole".

Michael A. O'Toole '68
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LSCHS ALUMNI VOLUNTEERS

APPLICATION

(Please print or type)

NAME: _____

Email: _____

PRESENT ADDRESS (Until _____)

PERMANENT ADDRESS (If different)

PHONE: (____) _____

PHONE: (____) _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

SOCIAL SECURITY #: _____

FATHER: _____

MOTHER: _____

ADDRESS:

ADDRESS: (IF DIFFERENT)

PHONE: (____) _____

PHONE: (____) _____

List Names and ages of siblings:

Last Elementary School attended: _____

University/College(s) attended and/or now attending:

Anticipated Degree: _____ Major: _____ Date of graduation: _____

Minor: _____

Current Accumulated College GPA: _____

(Please have all college transcripts sent to us.)

(Over)

In what subject(s) do you feel qualified to teach an entry-level course?

In what extra-or co-curricular activity(ies) or sport(s) would you be interested in assisting?

What is your alternate plan for next year if you are not chosen for this program?

Please list five (5) persons whom you have asked to be your references and to whom you will give one of the enclosed recommendation forms. These should be people who know you well, especially during your college career. Include different types of people such as a professor, an employer, a college roommate, a co-worker or a friend. Do not include relatives or La Salle personnel.

	NAME	FULL ADDRESS	RELATIONSHIP
1.	_____	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____	_____

Is there someone currently at La Salle whom we may consult who knew you well as a student and has kept in contact with you during your college years?

Signature

Date

A complete application includes the application form, your five (5) reflections on the questions above, five (5) **sealed** references and your Transcript. **Transcripts should be sent separately from your College/University.** Applications must be received by **Friday, January 30, 2015.** **Other than the Transcript please collect all parts of your application and send it to:**

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REFLECTION ESSAYS

On a separate sheet, please reflect (type or print) on the following five (5) questions:

1. Why do you want to do this? What drew you to apply for this program? What particularly inspires you or excites you about the prospect of being a part of it?
2. As part of your year of service, you will be contributing to the creation of a community with other La Salle Alumni in this program. From your experience of communal living in college, what attitudes and strategies would you think would make for good community building and what attitudes or actions would be a detriment to the building of community?
3. As you anticipate a year working at La Salle, what qualities and values would you particularly like to be a model of for the students with whom you will come into contact both in the classroom and outside the classroom? Has there been any particular person at La Salle or in your experience after La Salle who has exhibited these qualities and values and been an inspiration for you? How did he/she accomplish this? How do you imagine you might concretize these qualities and values in your daily presence at La Salle?
4. During your undergraduate career so far, what one (or more, if you wish) extra-curricular project/accomplishment did you find most fulfilling, the most meaningful, and of which you are most proud? Whom may we consult about your involvement in this project/accomplishment?
5. One of the aspects of this year of service is an opportunity to reflect on your faith life and on the Lasallian spiritual legacy which you have inherited. What would you say has been the most significant spiritual insight that you took away with you from La Salle? How has it had an impact on your life since you left La Salle?

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REFERENCE FORM

Applicant's Name: _____

To the applicant: Please check one of the following statements:

_____ I waive my right of access to this reference form.

_____ I do not waive my right of access to this reference form.

Signature of Applicant: _____

To the reference: The La Salle College High School Volunteers seeks well-balanced, motivated and generous alumni who would be good role-models for impressionable teenage students at their Alma Mater. The volunteer will be teaching, moderating sports and activities, and participating in our service and retreat programs as a leader. He will also be living in a communal setting with approximately one or two other alumni volunteers. Your reflections on this applicant's suitability for work in these areas as well as in this living situation would be greatly appreciated.

Return this reference form to the applicant in a sealed envelope with your name signed across the sealed flap. The applicant will send your reference to us as part of his completed application. Thank you for your comments.

1. How long have you known the applicant? In what capacity?

2. Please evaluate the applicant's potential as a role model for high school students.

3. Please comment on the applicant's generosity, sense of personal responsibility and self-motivation.

4. Please evaluate the applicant's maturity and self-possession. Do you think students would find him approachable and friendly? Would he be able to use authority and discipline when needed? Are there any areas where he would be insecure and in need of undue student affirmation?

(See reverse)

5. Describe the applicant's work style (e.g. energy, persistence, initiative, resourcefulness, self-reliance, organization, etc.)

6. The volunteers will be living together in a community setting. What would you say would be the strengths and weaknesses this applicant will bring to a communal living situation?

7. In what areas do you feel the applicant has especially grown in his college years? In what areas do you think he still needs to grow?

Check the box which you feel best describes the applicant:

	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Weak	Unable to Judge	Comments
emotional stability							
common sense							
dependability							
tact							
initiative							
flexibility							
creativity							
openness to direction in work							
seeks integration of faith with own life							
personal dress and appearance appropriate to situation							
ability to work with others							
positive attitude							

Overall, how would you rate the applicant?

1 _____ Exceptional, a rare find

4 _____ Recommend, no strong feelings

2 _____ Very Good, no reservations

5 _____ Might be okay – some reservations

3 _____ Good, better than many

6 _____ Weak, should be discouraged

Signature _____ Date _____ Phone (____) _____

Address _____ Occupation _____