

BROTHER RICHARD KESTLER, FSC BIOGRAPHY

Brother Richard Kestler, FSC became President of La Salle College High School in 2004. He is the first alum to serve as President of this private, Catholic boys high school located in Wyndmoor, Pennsylvania. He was formerly the President of West Catholic High School in Philadelphia and Archbishop John Carroll High School in Radnor, Pennsylvania. He served five years as the Administrator of Saint Gabriel's Hall in Phoenixville, Pennsylvania and was the Provincial Superior of the De La Salle Christian Brothers Baltimore District from 1979 through 1985. He has spent over twenty years as a teacher and/or administrator at Christian Brothers' schools throughout the Baltimore District and is dedicated to the education of Christian Gentlemen.

Brother is currently a member of the Board of Trustees of La Salle University, St. Ignatius Nursing Home in Philadelphia and the Pennsylvania Association of Independent Schools (PAIS). He has served as the Chairman of the Board of Holy Family Home in Philadelphia, as a Member of the Board of Education for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and has been a Regional Representative to the National Catholic Educational Association.

An avid reader, gardener, and sports fan, Brother Richard Kestler, FSC holds both Bachelors and Masters degrees from La Salle University as well as a Masters degree from Villanova University.

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PERSONAL

Parents: John and Alice Kestler
Date of Birth: 8 January 1942, Philadelphia, PA
Sibling: Alice Casey
June 1960 – Entered the religious congregation of De La Salle Christian Brothers
August 1961 – First Vows
May 1967 – Perpetual Vows
May 1985 – Celebrated 25th Jubilee as a De La Salle Christian Brother

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2005 – Present	President, La Salle College High School, Wyndmoor, PA
1999 – 2005	President, West Philadelphia Catholic High School
1996– 1999	Director of Admissions, Teacher, La Salle College High School
1993 – 1996	President, Archbishop John Carroll High School, Radnor, PA
1991 – 1993	Assistant Principal, La Salle College High School, Wyndmoor, PA
1986 – 1991	Administrator, Saint Gabriel’s Hall, Phoenixville, PA
1985 – 1986	Religion Teacher, La Salle College High School, Wyndmoor, PA
1979 – 1985	Provincial Superior, De La Salle Christian Brothers
1973 – 1979	Principal, West Philadelphia Catholic High School
1965 – 1973	Teacher, Vice Principal, Hudson Catholic High School, Jersey City, NJ

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

1979	M.A. Villanova University, Villanova, PA. School Management and Supervision
1973	M.A, La Salle University, Philadelphia, PA Theology
1965	B.A. La Salle University, Philadelphia, PA Mathematics
1956 – 1960	La Salle College High School
1948 – 1956	St. Martin of Tours School

ADDITIONAL EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

2006	NCEA Convention, Atlanta, GA
2002	NCEA Convention, Atlantic City, NJ Chair, Presidents' Development Committee, Archdiocese of Philadelphia
2001	NCEA Convention, Milwaukee, WI Administrator's Academy, St. Joseph's University, PA Huether Education Workshop, Chicago, IL
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1988-2001	Member, District of Baltimore Development Advisory Committee President's Committee on Catholic Identity, Archdiocese of Philadelphia
1995	Administrator's Academy III, St. Joseph's University, PA NCEA Development Symposium, Cincinnati, OH Grant Writing Workshop, Philadelphia, PA Huether Education Workshop, Chicago, IL
2000	Administrator's Academy II, St. Joseph's University, PA
1993 – 1996 Philadelphia	President's Committee on Recruitment, Archdiocese of Philadelphia
1993	Administrator's Academy I, St. Joseph's University

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

2007 – Present	Member of Board of Pennsylvania Association of Independent Schools (PAIS)
2005 - Present	Member of Board – La Salle University, Philadelphia, PA
2005 - 2007	Chair of Board – Holy Family Home, Philadelphia, PA
2000-2005	Member of Board – Holy Family Home, Philadelphia, PA
2002 – Present	Member of Board – St. Ignatius Nursing Home
2000	Regional Representative to NCEA
1992	Lead group of students to Mexico for celebration of 500 th anniversary of Christianity in the America
1987 – 1991 Philadelphia	Member of Board of Child Caring Institutions – City of Philadelphia
1980 – 1985	Member of Board of Education, Archdiocese of Philadelphia
1974 – 1976 Philadelphia, PA	Member of Planning Committee for Eucharistic Congress, Philadelphia, PA

Interests:

Camping, Gardening, Reading, Stamp Collecting, Model Trains, Sports Fan