

Dorothy Szot (Principal)

Mrs. Szot is a product of Catholic school education and was graduated from all Saints Grammar School, Academy of Saint Aloysius, Jersey City and Fordham University, School of Education NYC and also attended St. Peter's College and Seton Hall University.

She taught for eight years at St Peter's Elementary School in Jersey City, earned a tenured position in the Scotch Plains public schools, and then moved to Westfield where she taught at Holy Trinity for sixteen years from 1968 to 1984 while her two children attended and were graduated from Holy Trinity. During this time period, Mrs. Szot served as Acting Principal in 1974 and Vice Principal from 1975 to 1984 when she was appointed Principal. After being instrumental in the planning and implementation of the newly constituted co-sponsored school, Mrs. Szot received the unanimous endorsement of all three parishes in 1991 when they asked her to continue on as Principal of Holy Trinity Interparochial School. As principal, she served as Chairperson for the Archdiocese on a deanery level, served on the visiting Middle States Accreditation Team for Christ the King, was actively involved on the Principals' Council for the Superintendent of Schools, and attended principals' seminars on curriculum, methodology, staffing, supervision, and co- sponsorship. Mrs. Szot initiated and finalized the Middle States Accreditation process for HTIS, as well as developing Trinicamp, the Beforecare and Aftercare programs and, most recently, involved in the establishment of our second campus in Mountainside in 2002.

In 2004 Mrs. Szot received the Archdiocese of Newark Sesquicentennial Award recognizing 50 years of service to Catholic Education. 2006 marks Mrs. Szot's twenty second anniversary as Principal of HTIS.