



## **#2 - Enhance the student experience.**

*Our Mercy girls are **extraordinary** people; therefore we should not provide an ordinary experience at Mercy. As Catherine McAuley said, "We must strive to do ordinary things, extraordinarily well." Grounded in our mission and guided by our profile of a Mercy graduate, our goal is to improve the learning environment and preparation of our young women. We will do so through enhancements to the school culture, and our curricular and co-curricular opportunities. We will also enrich the leadership and counseling programs to ready our students for what is next in their lives.*

- A.** Dramatically expand STEM (and potentially other elective) offerings throughout the curriculum by expanding available resources (faculty, space, etc.) and drafting a written plan for the future. This plan will include multiple pathways with short-term and long-term solutions that address faculty hiring, space creation/renovation, graduation requirement adjustments, and impact on existing electives and student load analysis.
- B.** Promote Mercy's commitment to delivering enhanced leadership teaching and instruction to all students through the Leadership Distinction Program, as well as within the current curriculum at all grade levels.
- C.** Restructure and strengthen the counseling office, advisory program and college advisement initiatives.
- D.** Evaluate the current student schedule and consider revising the schedule in order to reduce stress and support well-being, as well as to accommodate STEM classes and associated pedagogical approaches.
- E.** Monitor and measure student well-being and the overall student experience, annually, to evaluate need for improvements/revisions.
- F.** Restructure and expand the role of our Campus Ministry committee.