

# **Dartmouth's Bishop Stang appoints new assistant principal of academics**

Bishop Stang High School and President/Principal Peter Shaughnessy are excited to announce that, after a thorough search process lead by school leadership and the Catholic Schools Office, Mr. Dan Dias has been appointed as the Assistant Principal of Academics.

Upon his appointment, Mr. Dias noted, "I am both humbled and honored to accept the position of Assistant Principal of Academics at Bishop Stang High School. When I arrived at Bishop Stang in August of 2013, I did not realize it at the time, but my life would be forever changed. I have had the privilege of working alongside an incredibly talented and dedicated faculty and staff, while serving my God in my ministry to many remarkable students and families. I look forward to this new challenge with eagerness and joy as I hope to more broadly impact students' Bishop Stang experience."

Regarding the appointment of Mr. Dias, President/Principal, Peter Shaughnessy, commented, "As many within our school community know well, Mr. Dias has emerged as a true leader among our faculty and staff. He is very well respected among students, parents and colleagues and has done phenomenal work as a school counselor. As Director of Student Services, Mr. Dias established the dual enrollment College Gateway Program and led efforts in the areas of cultural competency and mental health wellness. I look forward to working with Mr. Dias in this key leadership role to advance the mission of Bishop Stang High School."

Mr. Dias has been a school counselor at Bishop Stang since 2013 and Director of Student Services since 2018. He has also

served the school as a classroom teacher and the head freshman football coach. Mr. Dias, who hails from Marion and attended Tabor Academy, earned his bachelor degree in Sociology from Bates College and his master degree in Education Psychology from Springfield College. Mr. Dias has certifications in School Counseling, School Adjustment Counseling and possesses a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (CAGS) in Educational Leadership. He and his wife, Nicole, live in Marion with their son, Luke.