Dear Alumni and Friends of Magdalen College:

I fully endorse and support the inspired new educational plan for Magdalen College, which has four pillars:

- 1. The core Great Books Program, as developed by Mr. Meehan and me, and subsequently modified, will be kept.
- 2. The liberal arts program will be combined with practical arts, such as carpentry, masonry, electrical work, plumbing, and auto mechanics. In the practicum, students will earn money, learn a trade, graduate with a liberal arts degree, and avoid crippling debt. This a brilliant idea since many students, especially young men, desire an excellent Catholic liberal education that will offer a decent job that gives them independence from the rat race of the everyday corporate world.
- 3. The program for the disabled is truly Christian; we are called to help our brothers and sisters in need. Every summer, the College will invite the disabled and their parents to spend two weeks at the College to participate in seminars, masses, and the common life. This program will generate goodwill for the College and, more importantly, will remind all of us that we are here to serve others.
- 4. To combat the high cost of higher education, a high school with an accelerated program will be located on campus so that after six years a student would graduate with a high school diploma and a BA in the liberal arts.

I wish I were younger so I could return to the College and help implement this new educational plan that is desperately needed.

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