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SALVE REGINA SISTER OF MERCY NAMED TO MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PROGRAM

Sister Mary McAuliffe, former trustee at Salve Regina College (Newport, R.I.) and former director of research and planning, has accepted a position with the Massachusetts Department of Education as principal and director of education and training at Massachusetts Hospital School in Canton. On leave from Salve Regina College for two years, Sister will continue her association with the College as adjunct professor in the area of special needs education.

Sister is completing her doctoral studies in humanistic education and human services with a concentration in administration at Boston University. Her doctoral dissertation is entitled "Changing Patterns of Relationships Between Sponsoring Religious Bodies and Catholic Colleges."

Sister's new position brings her into a leadership role as the chief educational planner of one of the most unusual schools in the country. Massachusetts Hospital School was founded in 1964 for

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physically handicapped children with normal intelligence. Currently, MHS has a resident population of 190 students/patients ranging from pre-primary through high school. With the discovery of Salk vaccine and the impact of PL 92-145, the MHS enrollment is changing dramatically from the single, physical handicapped child to the multi-handicapped child. The challenge is to continue the mission of MHS to educate each student/patient to his highest potential in a hospital/school environment that treats the child holistically.

It is anticipated that in the future Salve Regina College and MHS will form linkages to give the special education and education majors enriched opportunities for observation and practicum.

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