

**Press Release**

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**RESURRECTION HONORS THE LIFE OF  
SR. LYDIA MARY YOKIEL, C.R.**



*pictured left* - Sister Lydia Mary Yokiell, C.R.  
*pictured right* - Sister Virginia Ann Wanzek, C.R. cuts the ribbon on the newly dedicated Welcome Center named in honor of Sister Lydia Mary

Resurrection College Prep High School mourns the loss of former principal, Sister Lydia Mary Yokiell, C.R., who passed away on May 7, 2018, at the Resurrection Life Center at the age of 104. She spent 87 years in the Sisters of the Resurrection Congregation. Sister Lydia Mary taught and served as a principal in grade schools and high schools for 54 years. Coincidentally, on May 7, 2018, the new Sister Lydia Mary Welcome Center was dedicated at Resurrection College Prep High School in honor of the past principal. This space will serve to welcome visitors, including parents and prospective students, when they visit Resurrection.

Sister Lydia Mary was a teacher and principal at St. Thecla, St. Mary of the Angels, Resurrection and St. Casimir High Schools. At Resurrection, Sister Lydia Mary served as a biology teacher and as principal. She was instrumental in the planning of the current Resurrection High School building that opened in 1962 and worked closely with the parents clubs and other community groups to raise funds for building the school and for continuing updates and modernization.

After spending 54 years in education, Sister became a hospital chaplain and spent 16 years and providing ministry in Spiritual Services at Our Lady of the Resurrection Medical Center and Resurrection Medical Center. Memorials in honor of Sister Lydia Mary Yokiell, C.R. may be

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made to Resurrection College Prep High School for tuition assistance or Sisters of the Resurrection Retirement Fund.

Resurrection College Prep High School, located at 7500 West Talcott Avenue in Chicago, is the largest all girls' Catholic, Christian college preparatory high school for young women on the north side of Chicago. For more information about Resurrection College Prep High School, call 773.775.6616 Ext 129 or visit [www.reshs.org](http://www.reshs.org).