

Oakers' Hobin going on goodwill mission to D.R.

COVENTRY— Michael J. Hobin, principal at Coventry High School, will participate in a Lifetouch Memory Mission to build a school in the Dominican Republic Jan. 21-28, 2014. The school will be built for the children in a small, mountainous farming community. Lifetouch, the leading national provider of school and family photography, organized this trip and invited school administrators, principals, educators and PTA members throughout North America to work alongside Lifetouch volunteers and Dominican nationals to build the school, according to a release issued by the company.

This is the third Memory Mission to Constanza. In 2011 and 2012, volunteers built an elementary school. That school now serves hundreds of children who otherwise would not have had a chance to receive an education.

In January, Hobin will join about 50 volunteers in building a vocational school. School children will soon have a place to continue their education, offering greater opportunities for careers as adults.

Memory Mission volunteers will work on a variety of projects, including block and concrete work, stucco and paint finishing for the classrooms. Participants will also have an opportunity to visit community members and participate in a day of photography for the children in this village.