

Position Description Elementary / Middle School (PreK - 8) PRINCIPAL

Purpose: The Elementary/Middle Principal is responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Elementary/Middle school program.

Reports To: Executive Director

Supervises:

- Pre-K Administrator
- Elementary/Middle School Teachers, including Head Teacher/s
- Elementary/Middle School Counselor/s
- Secretary, Librarian, School Nurse, Custodian
- Volunteers assigned to work at the Elementary/Middle school

Terms of Employment: Employed on an 11 month contract with salary and benefits as approved by the Board of Trustees.

Qualifications:

- 1. Have a Masters Degree and preferably holds a school administrator's license.
- 2. Able to articulate a vision for Reformed Christian schooling.
- 3. Able to relate well to and work with a variety of people.
- 4. Able to lead and supervise a group of staff members.
- 5. Have knowledge and expertise regarding educational issues.
- 6. Able to communicate well orally and in writing.
- 7. Have good organizational and time management skills.
- 8. Able to provide overall vision and direction for the school.

Responsibilities:

- 1. Staff
 - a. Assist the Executive Director in the selection of Elementary/Middle school personnel.
 - b. Supervise personnel in the day-to-day functioning of the school.
 - c. Dialogue regularly with teachers concerning ideas and needs for program and students. Implement the approved changes.
 - d. Hold regular staff meetings and follow-up on needed action items, with the assistance of the Head Teacher/s.

- e. Communicate regularly with the staff.
- f. Hire substitutes as needed.
- g. Assign and supervise volunteers who are available to help with the Elementary/Middle school staff and program.
- h. Observe and conference with teachers regarding lessons they have taught. Collaborate with them in developing Professional Development Plans, providing support and monitoring progress on the plans as needed.
- i. Conduct annual evaluations of all Elementary/Middle school personnel.
- j. Work with the MS Athletic Director and MS Counselor to assure the smooth operation and high quality of those programs.
- k. Schedule regular administration of standardized testing.
- I. Monitor the production of accurate report cards, progress reports, academic status reports, and attendance reports.
- 2. Students
 - a. Assure proper record keeping and reporting for attendance.
 - b. Handle major discipline problems at the Elementary/Middle school.
 - c. Supervise the classification, promotion, and retention of students.
 - d. Assure that proper evaluation of students takes place.
 - e. Arrange for the supervision of students during noon hours and recesses.
 - f. Establish rapport with students in a personal and professional manner.
 - g. Monitor evaluation of student progress and communicate needs of students to the resource room teachers.
- 3. Parents
 - a. Communicate with parents regarding problems/successes of their children.
 - b. Coordinate regular communications with all parents of middle school students (i.e. Parent News, newsletters, Parent/Teacher Conferences, Mid-Quarter reports, Report cards).
- 4. Program
 - a. Establish a master schedule in cooperation with the High School Principal and Executive Director.
 - b. Develop yearly goals with staff.
 - c. Work with teachers in developing and implementing quality academic and extracurricular programs.
 - d. Supervise the library program and guide teachers in integrating it into the total school curriculum and instructional program.
 - e. Advise the Executive Director as to the effectiveness of all courses, curriculum and instructional materials.
 - f. Provide for and promote a spirit of innovation and creativity among staff members.

- g. Work with staff members to assure that public events (programs, Open House, etc.) happen in a professional and God-glorifying manner.
- 5. Building
 - a. Report needs for building repair to the maintenance staff.
 - b. Recommend plans for efficient use of facilities and future building needs to the Executive Director
 - c. Develop Elementary/Middle school detail responsibilities and give direction to the custodian in daily custodial matters.
- 6. Other
 - a. Submit estimates of budget needs and administer the adopted budget within the department.
 - b. Participate/advise in the Administrators' Meeting and the Principals' Meeting.
 - c. Submit a monthly report to the Education Committee and serve this committee as an advisor.

Evaluated by: Executive Director

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