

## The Archdiocese of Philadelphia

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS: SECONDARY DIVISION

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia and its Office of Catholic Education seeks a visionary educational leader and chief administrator of Catholic secondary schools in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The Superintendent of Secondary Schools collaborates with the Superintendent of Elementary Schools so that a seamless vision can be realized for the Pre-Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade levels. Both superintendents are supervised by the Secretary for Catholic Education.

- The Archdiocese encompasses 156 Catholic elementary schools, 17 high schools, and 4 schools for special education.
- Extending beyond the City of Philadelphia, the Archdiocese spans the surrounding counties and is divided into six vicariates: Bucks County, Chester County, Delaware County, Montgomery County, Philadelphia North, and Philadelphia South.
- The Catholic elementary and high schools of the Archdiocese are a part of a centuries-long tradition of academic excellence. They are committed to giving students the tools, skills, and guidance they need to not only overcome 21<sup>st</sup> century challenges, but also flourish intellectually, morally, and spiritually.
- Over 92% of the Archdiocesan high schools' Class of 2010 is attending college. The total scholarship amount awarded to the Archdiocesan high schools' Class of 2011 was over \$270 million, the highest total ever for the 17 high schools.

The primary responsibility of the superintendent is to oversee the day-to-day management and operation of school-based secondary education in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Candidates should be practicing Catholics and aware of the current literature in the field of Catholic education. Candidates should also be student-centered and accessible and demonstrate leadership qualities marked by superior communication, a vision capable of making Catholic schools better places for learning, and the ability to work collaboratively with all stakeholders. The candidate must possess the ability to work harmoniously with others to achieve a 21<sup>st</sup> century learning environment in all secondary schools, and possess an ability to lead and to build consensus.

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia offers a competitive salary and benefits package in the low \$100s and a multi-year contract to an experienced and effective teacher (minimum of five years in a Catholic school) and administrator (minimum five years as a school administrator). Applicants must possess an advanced graduate degree in educational administration, educational leadership, or religious education. The target employment date is July 1, 2012.

All contacts regarding this position should be directed to Penn Search. All candidates must submit a letter of intention, resume, and a letter from your local Pastor verifying practice of the Catholic faith. Official transcripts, State Police check, FBI check, and child abuse clearance will be required for position confirmation. Information received by June 15 will be assured full consideration. The position will remain open until filled.

Send letters of intent, resumes, and letter from your local Pastor to:

Dr. John A. DeFlaminis, Executive Director Penn Search, Penn Center for Educational Leadership Graduate School of Education, University of Pennsylvania 3440 market Street, Suite 500 Philadelphia, PA 19104 Tel: 215-573-5511 Email: pennsearch@gse.upenn.edu

## **Application Deadline: June 15, 2012**

All inquiries will be held in strict confidence

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