Mission

"Transforming young women from intuitive learners to innovative thinkers, empowering generations of courageous, faith-filled women to be skillful builders of a better world."

Academy of the Holy Names seeks a President to build on its tremendous and extensive legacy. As the Capital Region's only all-girls, private, Catholic, college-preparatory school for grades 6–12, Holy Names believes in the limitless potential of girls and develops confident women who are inspired to lead lives of purpose and impact.

The President will be a skillful builder of a better world within the Academy of the Holy Names.
Role of the President

The Academy of the Holy Names is seeking a change maker to lead our historic school into the next era of building young women into tomorrow’s leaders. Operating under the banner of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary and with their tenets as our foundation, AHN is a Catholic, independent school with over 135 years of success in this field. Our reputation for developing young minds and putting these students on a solid path to collegiate and career success is excellent. Our young women are known for their optimistic view of the world, which they communicate with poise and strong self-confidence.

For the right person, this opportunity is unique in offering a leadership position within an established institution thirsting for its next chapter. You will be surrounded by students, faculty, staff, a Board of Trustees and alumnae who are loyal, generous and dedicated to continually enhancing the tremendous legacy that has been built here since 1884.

We seek a proven collaborator who will engage both inside the school community as well as be our face to the broader Capital Region. Working with an extremely engaged and experienced Board of Trustees, you will develop and implement a strategic vision that builds our strong roots out into a bold new direction.

Ours is a school not afraid of change and seeks innovation, creative partnerships, and a leader who understands that we can only inspire risk-taking in our students if we model it ourselves. There are possibilities aplenty to make an impact in both the short and long term. Resources abound, the most important among them our exemplary faculty and staff.

“Where do AHN girls go? Everywhere.”
Qualifications

The new President of Academy of the Holy Names will be a visionary and energetic leader who exemplifies the mission of the school, embodies the values of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, and passionately embraces an academically rigorous education for young women.

A critical requirement is an inclusive management style and success working with a team of individuals in the achievement of a common set of mission-driven priorities. The President will inspire collaboration and cooperation from all constituent groups, including parents, alumnae and members of the local community.

The President must be confident and comfortable directing change that will strengthen AHN.

This is a tremendous opportunity—to build something that you can look back on with pride.

The ideal candidate will…
• possess a minimum of a master’s degree or equivalent training;
• demonstrate significant leadership experience in an educational, nonprofit, corporate or civic environment; and
• be a Catholic who embraces the identity and values of AHN and is prepared to be the faith leader of the school.

Salary and Benefits

The President position begins July 1, 2022. This is a full-time, 12-month position. Salary is competitive and commensurate with experience and qualifications.

Priorities for the President of Academy of the Holy Names include...
• fundraising
• enrollment
• strategic engagement with the academic, corporate and political communities in the Capital Region
Academy of the Holy Names

Holy Names prepares girls for the world they will inherit.

Since it first opened its doors as the Academy of Notre Dame on September 10, 1884, the school has been a symbol of superb education and faith formation in the Albany area. Students participate in an academic program featuring flexible scheduling, interdisciplinary courses, service and technology and grow through a variety of extracurricular activities including student government, clubs, performing arts and interscholastic sports. With a middle school division for grades 6–8 and a high school division for grades 9–12, AHN steadfastly pursues new directions and programs.

Holy Names is recognized for its unique advisory structure, a full four-year college counseling program, middle school access to 9–12 courses, stellar AP results, University in the High School college credit courses, three years of hands-on guided research experience in the Science Research Program and much more. The student population is diverse, representing almost every school district in the tri-cities area and a variety of ethnic and religious traditions.

Holy Names graduates confident young women who are ready to change the world.

Application Procedure

The Academy of the Holy Names has engaged Catholic School Management, a division of Christian Brothers Services, to facilitate this search. Interested and qualified candidates should submit electronically a letter of introduction; a resume; five professional references including names, email addresses and telephone numbers (references not contacted without candidate’s permission); and a written essay of no more than 500 words addressing: What are the benefits of attending a girls’ school that will resonate with prospective students and parents?

The search will remain open until the position is filled. Applicants are considered immediately upon submission of a complete candidate packet. Send application materials to:

Academy of the Holy Names President Search
Catholic School Management
Attn: Mary J. Foley at csmoffice@cbservices.org

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