The Opportunity

Southern Teachers Agency is assisting Sumner Academy in the search for an Interim Head of School. The Board of Trustees seeks an experienced independent school leader to serve as Interim Head of School and provide visionary leadership to the school community in order to fulfill its mission and to ensure a sound financial future. Accredited by SAIS, Sumner Academy enjoys solid finances and a superb staff and program.

Sumner Academy’s mission is to discover and cultivate each child’s unique abilities.

With the staff and trustees, the Interim Head of School will steward the strategic and philosophical direction of the school. He or she will recruit and retain teachers and staff members who embrace the school’s mission, foster a school culture of encouragement and support among all employees, and represent the school in the larger community and in the independent school world. During the Interim Head’s time at the school, he or she will drive a healthy balance between student experience and enrollment growth with an eye towards healthy retention; improve communication across all touch points in the community; and set the foundation for capital fundraising in the near future.

Established in 1973, Sumner Academy is a non-sectarian independent school enrolling approximately 175 students in grades prekindergarten through eight. The school is committed to nurturing its students in a demanding academic program and an atmosphere which promotes diversity, compassion, and personal development. The school develops independent, resilient, and creative individuals through a design-thinking approach in which students overcome challenges, stretch their boundaries, and critically evaluate their own work. Graduates of Sumner Academy are highly sought after by the independent high schools in the region, with the vast majority of graduating students going to a private high school.

Gallatin, TN, is an energetic small city set in the idyllic countryside only 30 miles north of Nashville that offers the rich variety of recreational, educational, and economic activities typically found in a larger city.

To Apply

Please complete the online Application to become a Southern Teachers Candidate and submit a cover letter explaining your interest in and qualifications for this position. Full position profile available soon.